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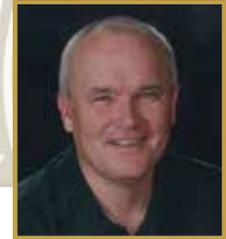
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# Mayor's Message

## Dan Reese



I write this just after returning from the Texas Municipal League Elected Official's Conference in Frisco, Texas. Councilmembers Frank Archuleta, Cindy Strzelecki, and Wes Manning were also able to attend this conference. The conference included excellent sessions on topics important to Texas cities and even hosted a very informative discussion group that focused on the issues important to small cities such as ours. Congratulations to Councilmember Frank Archuleta, who was awarded a 2019 Texas Municipal League Institute (TMLI) "Certified Municipal Official" designation for completing over 72 hours of Continuing Education Units. Well done!



For those of you keeping track with the actions of the City Council, you will know that the Council took action on personnel matters during the first meeting in March. They include:

- **Employee Pay Table and Pay Grade Classifications:** The Council recognized the need to have a more structured approach to employee pay. The approved Table and Classifications gives our employees a clear idea of their pay and expectations for future pay. I believe this will help support employee retention.
- **Hiring Career Firefighters:** The Council recognized the need to increase fire protection for our citizens and our business partners. This does not mean that our proud tradition of volunteer firefighting comes to an end. The actions of the Council (hiring six firefighters) will put two firefighters per shift, which gives coverage 24/7. These career firefighters will serve alongside our volunteer firefighters. There will still be a Windcrest Volunteer Fire Association and they will continue to support our fire department with funding from their activities. The term used for this type of Fire Department is "Combined," meaning volunteers serving with paid firefighters.
- **New Clerk to focus on the Garbage Fund:** As many of you may know, the Council needed to take action to eliminate some deficits in our Garbage fund. I'm happy to say that the Finance Department has taken the appropriate steps to eliminate the deficits and the Council decided to help with those efforts by approving a new clerk position dedicated primarily to the Garbage Fund administration.

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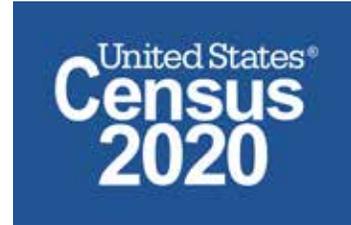
*"The credibility of the message is intrinsically tied to the integrity of the messenger."*

— Chip Ingram

# CITY SECRETARY

**Rachel Dominguez**

City Secretary



## Be a Part of the Movement. National Census Day – April 1

By April 1, 2020, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Residents will have three options to respond: online, by phone, or by mail. Remember, only one response will be accepted per home. Everyone living in a home must be accounted for.

May – July Census taker will begin visiting homes that have not responded to the 2020 Census to ensure everyone in our community has been accounted for.

### Did you know...

- Census results affect planning and funding for infrastructure, including programs for highway planning and construction, community development, and rural water and waste disposal.
- Census results affect planning and funding for employment for education including school lunches, adult education, Head Start programs, Pell Grants, and grant for preschool special education.
- Census results affect planning and funding for healthcare, including programs such as Medicaid, Medicare Part B, and the prevention and treatment of substance abuse.
- Be safe and remember The Census Bureau will never ask for your Social Security number, bank or credit card account numbers, money or donations, or anything on behalf of a political party.

Please refer to the City's Census 2020 webpage, [visit2020census.gov](http://visit2020census.gov), for additional information and a link to the Census survey.

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*("Mayor's Message" continued from page 2)*

The Council actions on Employee Pay Table and Pay Grade Classification, the Fire Department, and new clerk were all funded without raising taxes. They were funded using a combination of funding not committed during the budget cycle and support from our Crime Control Prevention District Fund. The budget reserve, sometimes referred to as the "Rainy Day Fund" still exceeds the 25% requirement.

The Master Economic Incentive Agreement (MEIA) with Rackspace is moving forward through the area governmental agencies. We hope to have that completed soon.

If you have questions about what's happening in Windcrest, I would be happy to communicate by phone, text or email. Don't forget that I offer "Coffee with the Mayor" every Saturday, 8:30 a.m. at Starbucks on Walzem (back conference room). Come by, have some coffee, and chat with us. We discuss the agenda for the upcoming City Council meetings, as well as any issues or concerns you might have. You can drop in anytime and stay as long or little as you want. Cancellations are posted on my Facebook page. I look forward to seeing you.

Thank you, Windcrest, for having confidence in me to continue as your Mayor. I am honored to be in service to you.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS**  
Chief Police Darrell Volz

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April 12 – 18, 2020 is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Every year during the second week of April, the telecommunications personnel in the public safety community are honored. This week-long event is a time to celebrate and thank those who dedicate their lives to serving the public. It is a week that should be set aside so everyone can be made aware of their hard work and dedication. The Windcrest Police Officers appreciate our dispatchers very much! They are a major portion of the support we need to perform our jobs as effectively and efficiently as possible. THANK YOU, Communications Unit, for all you do. Like our FB page – <https://www.facebook.com/WindcrestPD> – and monitor our page. This month we will spotlight our dispatchers.

April is a party month in the San Antonio area with all the parades and other festivities celebrating the annual Fiesta San Antonio. Please drink responsibly and have a designated driver if you are drinking. Become the designated driver if you are not planning on having a drink.

We really appreciate the support the Police Department receives from the citizens of Windcrest. In the near future, we will be reaching out to the different community organizations in hopes of speaking about crime prevention and the different types of scams that are taking place. In the meantime, if you would like us to come and speak at one of your meetings or events, please reach out to Ms. La'Bria Lewis. She can be reached by calling the police department at 210-655-2666, or via email at [llewis@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:llewis@windcrest-tx.gov). She will work with you on getting things scheduled.

Until next month, be safe!

**Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department**  
By Chief Dan Kramer

### Hand Washing and Personal Hygiene

One of the hot topics in the news right now is the Novel Coronavirus being spread worldwide after originating in China. The rate of spread here in the United States is relatively slow, compared to other countries that have experienced this issue. One of the greatest defenses against the virus is simply washing your hands, with soap and water, for at least twenty seconds. Many people believe that simply utilizing hand sanitizer is enough to do the trick, but unfortunately it is not. It is imperative that you actually take the time to wash your hands, using warm water, frequently throughout the day. The level of alcohol found within normal hand sanitizer has been found to be insufficient in killing the virus. When cleaning your home or areas of public gathering, the recommendation is to utilize a bleach mixture of one-part bleach and nine parts water to ensure decontamination of any potential bugs. Practicing good hygiene and limiting our exposure to large public gatherings will help to ensure this virus does not gain a foothold here in the United States, and more important in Windcrest.

### A Message From Fire Marshal Zelenak

The importance of having your address visible can make the difference between life and death. Time is of the essence for the Windcrest Fire Department when it comes to saving someone's life. But a lack of visibility of address numbers on houses adds precious seconds to our response times.

A few simple pointers for posting your address:

- Avoid spelling out your address; just post numbers
- Use, at minimum, 4 inch numbers
- Use reflective numbers
- If possible post your address around a light, so at night it's more visible from the street
- Post numbers on both side of your mailbox

If anyone has questions on where their address should be posted or needs assistance posting their address. Please contact Fire Marshal Tim Zelenak 210-655-0022, I will be more than happy to assist you.

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# Code Compliance & Enforcement

By Officer Leija



Welcome April, wishing that this new month be as bright as the sun, as cheerful as butterflies, and as beautiful as flowers. Please continue keeping your properties looking as beautiful. Don't forget to clean your backyard, trim your branches, and cut your vegetation, grass, and weeds in the alley area behind your property fence. Also, keep in mind when cleaning your front yard, it is considered littering to blow your leaves onto the street and leave them there. Please remember to pick them up!

Keep your swimming pool clean and make sure it is properly secured. Make an effort to contact your neighbor about their dirty swimming pool and your concern for mosquitos.

Reminder, residential garbage, waste, and refuse placed outside for pickup shall be stored in a durable metal or hardened rubber container with a tightly sealed insect-proof and animal-proof lid. The only trash bags allowed on the curb are for the disposal of leaves, grass trimmings, or other items. NO food-based products please.

Reminder: If you need any assistance or want to report a violation of the Windcrest City Code, please contact your Code Enforcement Officer via the Windcrest Police Department Dispatcher at 210-655-2666 or send me an email at [ileija@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:ileija@windcrest-tx.gov) or through the link provided within Code Enforcement page.

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# Animal Care & Control

By Animal Control Officers  
Officer Fuentes & Officer Gonzales

## Easter Bunny

The true facts about rabbits are that they have a life span of 10 to 12 years, and only a dedicated owner will take care of them for that long. In reality rabbits are not cuddly and are considered prey animals with the flight or fight instinct imbedded into their DNA. Rabbits certainly look cuddly but they prefer petting over holding and handling. This is why they get scared when you pick them up too quickly. Children may inadvertently sprain a rabbit's leg or even break its spine if they try to pick up rabbits forcefully. When it comes to the living arrangements for a rabbit, it's important to understand that it is not ok to leave the rabbit in a confined space, like a cage, for long periods of time.



They usually do well if given at least four hours of exercise a day. In fact, most of the rabbits that are adopted out to families don't even require a cage because they are litter box trained. If you properly bunny-proof your home, like cover exposed cords and protect the furniture, these rabbits can be free roaming. If you decide to keep your rabbit in a cage, get a cage large enough for your bunny so it can spread out comfortably. A rabbit cage should be four feet by four feet. The key however, is to provide your rabbit with plenty of exercise outside the cage and interaction with your family.

One question that is asked frequently is what are the health care needs for a rabbit? The simple answer is that rabbits require routine checkups along with spaying or neutering. This helps prevent or eliminate some behavior problems (i.e. urine spraying and aggressiveness), most of which is caused by hormones which can occur during and after the rabbit hits sexual maturity. This begins between the first three to six months of the rabbit's life.

A quick reminder, PLEASE remember that a domestic rabbit cannot be expected to fend for itself in the wild. You are basically giving the rabbit a death sentence if you set it free.



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## WHY WE SERVE

The current WEDC Board and Staff have been in place for over a year now. This is their response to why they serve on the WEDC.



### Jennifer Newman, President

I wanted to be a part of ensuring the City of Windcrest maximizes our opportunities to bring quality businesses and revenue to the community.



### George Alva, Vice President

I've always been civic minded and feel that a place should be left better than how it was found. Serving on the WEDC with so many good people who care about Windcrest and the business environment gives me the chance to make a difference.



### Bubba Chapa, Treasurer

I wanted to take a more proactive approach to making life in my city better for my family and friends.



### Hob Cunningham, Secretary

Government needs to be run like a business. It should have guidelines like "If this was my money, would I spend it this way?" and "What can we do to help businesses be more successful?" If we do that, both will benefit.



### John Fagin

I want to give back to the city I love and that I have lived in for over 30 years.



### Kevin Compton

The reason I serve my community is to help bring new life to our wonderful city and offer my experience in retail to help make the best decisions we can when we bring in new businesses or help grow our existing businesses.



### Rip Stimpson

To enable business opportunity in the city of Windcrest.



### Mario Hernandez, Executive Director

To work for a progressive community with committed leadership.

For more information on each of our board members and staff, visit the WEDC Webpage at <https://windcrest-txedc.com/164/Board-of-Directors>



**TRAP:** Humane traps

**NEUTER:** Take the cats in their traps to a veterinarian or clinic to be spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and ear-tipped.

**RETURN:** After the cats have recovered from surgery, return them to their outdoor homes where they were trapped.

Trap-Neuter-Return is the humane and effective approach for stray and feral cats. Now in practice for decades in the US, after being proven in Europe, scientific studies show that Trap-Neuter-Return improves the lives of feral/community cats, improves their relationships with the people who live near them, and decreases the size of colonies over time. That's why the number of municipalities that officially endorse this approach increased tenfold between 2003 and 2013. Grounded in science, TNR stops the breeding cycle of cats and therefore improves their lives. It is a fact that the removal and killing of outdoor cats is not effective. Since feral cats are not adoptable, they are killed in pounds and shelters. Windcrest adopted the TNR program in 2009. Since then more and more people have stepped up to be a part of that solution by offering to be cat caregivers. That means monitoring the group of cats by making sure they have food and proper care. It is spending time and resources to trap, transporting the cat to a clinic for the sterilization & rabies shot, and then providing the care necessary while the cat recovers. After recovery, the cat returns to its area where it was trapped.

If you are interested in participating in the TNR here in Windcrest, please contact animal control. If you are just feeding the cats in your area, you are being only part of the solution!

TxWeACT meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at Cross Road Church (corner of Midcrown and Walzem).



# Windcrest

# GARDEN CLUB

By: Alice Relkin

It's Fiesta season in San Antonio. April is when new Windcrest Garden Club Board members are elected. If you are interested in chairing a committee or volunteering, please contact a current board member for details. There are many ways you can make a difference. On Saturday April 18, 2020 members are encouraged to meet up to watch the Fiesta Especial Parade. A section will be reserved with chairs for members to come and watch the parade and participate in the festivities.

Save the Date: Monday April 6, 2020 WGC will have a field trip to Water Garden Gems. Sign up has already started. A vote for WGC officers will take place at the Civic Center prior to departure.

Please RSVP for our annual Installation & Appreciation Luncheon on May 4, 2020. Cost is \$20. Reservations are required and can be made with Kathy Littlefield.

News you can use: The Windcrest Garden Club is also active in the San Antonio Garden Club which meets on the first Wednesday monthly. A list of April events can be found online at <https://www.sabot.org/events-listing/2020-04/>

Membership is open! Insightful speakers, garden improvement projects, and community service participation are a few benefits members can expect. If you are interested in joining this WGC, renew or make a new membership now!

Fill out the form below and mail it with a check for \$15.00 to Windcrest Garden Club, 413 Zephyr Dr, Windcrest TX 78239. We are a 501(3)c organization.

### Windcrest Garden Club Membership Form

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Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

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# Windcrest Women's Club

By: Sherilyn Flick

**Who would like to join us on a trip to The Pearl?** If you've ever considered joining the Windcrest Women's Club, now is the time. Meet us at the Windcrest Civic Center on April 22nd at 9:30 a.m. and we will car pool to tour The Pearl Brewery and have a wonderful lunch.

**We are now accepting members from outside Windcrest with a Sponsor!** For more information contact Lu Nix at 210-653-2371.

Last month, we held our annual Founder's Tea to honor all former Club Presidents. The room was decorated in lovely pastels. The ladies enjoyed a wonderful spread of delectable delights and sweets generously donated by the Executive Board. Porcelain cottages with sprays of fresh flowers, made by Liz Dick and Club President Joan Pedrotti, adorned the tables. After the tea was concluded, these beautiful centerpieces were used as door prizes.

The Windcrest Women's Club is taking donations until April 15th to assist disadvantaged male high school students

for their graduation ceremonies. We need men's dress shirts (any size), ties and belts so these young men can look their best on graduation day. If you have items to donate, contact Lois Wooten at 210-657-4557 or email her at loiscooks@sbcglobal.net.

Attention! Tickets for our annual Old Bag Luncheon, to be held on May 7th, are now available. This purse raffle is extremely popular, and only 120 tickets will be sold at \$20 each. To purchase a ticket and reserve your seat, contact Lois Wooten at 210-827-4357. First come, first served! Don't miss out!



*Women's Club Past Presidents (l-r): Sally Ball, Timie Riggs, Carol Essenpreis, Lorie Bocquin, Lea Fagin, Kathy Littlefield, Lois Wooten*

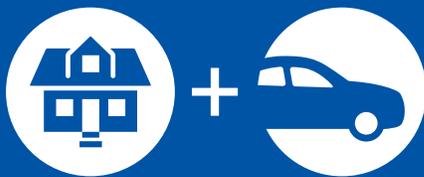


*Past Presidents - Lois Wooten pours Carol Essenpreis a cup of tea at the Founder's Tea*



*Past President Lea Fagin*

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**Editor's Note:** At the time of publication, the City of Windcrest and Fiesta San Antonio Commission made the decision to postpone all Fiesta events to November due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Fiesta® is right around the corner, and you're invited to join the City of Windcrest in a day of celebration and inclusion on Saturday, April 18, 2020. Come on out to the City Hall parking lot for games, activities, and more! Line the streets with your chairs and blankets and cheer on the Inclusion 5K participants or watch the Fiesta Especial® parade celebrating the diversity and ability of our community, which is coordinated by our event partner, disABILITYsa.

**Event Schedule**

- 7:00 a.m. Games, Activities, and Food in the City Hall Parking Lot
- 7:00 a.m. Inclusion 5K Registration Opens
- 8:00 a.m. Starting Gun on 5K & 1 Mile Dash
- 10:00 a.m. Parade

There are a number of ways to get involved and help this organization create pathways for inclusion during our community's biggest celebration of heritage, culture, and diversity...Fiesta®!



Visit [www.FiestaEspecial.com](http://www.FiestaEspecial.com) to register you, your family and friends to participate in the 5K Competitive Run or 1 mile walk. 5K Registration is \$35 and includes divisions for runners, rollers, hand-cyclists, guided runners, and more. Guides used for adaptive divisions are included at no additional cost. Walker participation is just \$25. Early Bird rates available before March 28th. The parade is free and open to the public.

**Competitive 5K Divisions**

Runner, Walker, Prosthetic Device, Rider/Stroller, VI-Guided Runner, Power Chair, Wheelchair, Sports Chair/Race Chair, Hand-Cycle, or Recumbent Bike/Trike.

We'll have visiting Fiesta® dignitary and some other special Royal guests in our midst. You're invited to come out and mingle, have some fun, and catch that Fiesta® Spirit. The event will be held on Saturday, April 18th. Registration, activities, and a detailed route is available online at [www.FiestaEspecial.com](http://www.FiestaEspecial.com)

Sponsorships, 5K Packet Stuffers, and Exhibitor Booths are available. Parade entry registration is available online.

**SHOW US YOUR FIESTA® SPIRIT!**  
Windcrest Fiesta® Spirit Award. Homes and Businesses joining in watch parties located along the Parade route will be judged on their decor, the number of people in their yard or canopy for the parade, and the level of Fiesta® enthusiasm they have with cheering, noise makers, and plain ol' Fiesta® spirit. Prize includes a yard sign and gift certificate(s). Check the website for details.



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# LIONS CLUB NEWS

By Linda-Kaye Bush

Thank you to all who attended the Lions Sight Research Foundation St. Patrick's Day Casino Night, Comanche Park Diabetes Run Walk, and Lions Day at Milberger's Nursery. The community's participation helps the Lions Sight Research Foundation to advance in the field of ophthalmology to aid the blind and visually impaired.

We also want to let you know that the Texas Lions Camp is currently taking applications for children with physical disabilities, Down Syndrome, cancer, and Type-1 diabetes.

**Texas Lions Camp**

in a summer camping facility dedicated to serving children from the State of Texas with physical disabilities, Down syndrome, cancer and Type 1 diabetes. The camp is located on over 500 acres of hills and woodlands in the beautiful Texas Hill Country. Programs at Texas Lions Camp offer campers a chance to try new activities and create long-lasting friendships while developing greater self-esteem and independence. Children eligible to participate in the summer camp program must be between the ages of seven and sixteen and have a qualifying physical disability. Children with Type 1 diabetes must be between the ages of eight to fifteen, and campers with Down syndrome must be twelve to sixteen years old.

*"This place changed my life" - CAMPER*

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## 2020 Lions Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Feb. 29 at Takas Park Civic Center - Hosted by the Windcrest Lions Club and Roosevelt High School Leo Club



# When should you cut your oak trees?

## And how can you prevent the spread of Oak Wilt?

|             |           |            |            |
|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| January ✓   | February  | March      | April      |
| May         | June      | July ✓     | August ✓   |
| September ✓ | October ✓ | November ✓ | December ✓ |

### ARTICLE II - OAK WILT PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT

#### Sec. 35-5. - General Restrictions.

"(a) Oak trees of any species that are growing within the corporate limits of the City may only be trimmed during the months of July, August, September, October, November, December, and January to limit oak wilt formation and transmission...."

#### Sec. 35-4.- Trimming, pruning, and disposal.

"(a) Trimming/pruning of trees. Trimming requires that all wounds and/or damage to the trunk, limbs and root system of any oak tree in the City shall be painted immediately, before moving on to the next limb, with latex-based paint.... Wound dressing should be applied immediately to all wounds/damage to all species of oak trees regardless of the time of year that the wound and/or damage occurs."

"(b) Disposal of trimming/pruning waste. Property owners and residents shall ensure all trimming and pruning oak waste is cut in sections no longer than four feet in length to prevent the spread of debris on or into public property and/or rights-of-way. The method of disposal shall be done in the same manner as described in Sec. 35-2(a)."

### BEFORE YOU TRIM...

- ✓ Review City Ordinance 2019-713(O)
- ✓ Use clean tools every time
- ✓ Trim/prune during designated months
- ✓ Cut sections NO LONGER THAN 4ft in length
- ✓ Paint the wounds on our trees IMMEDIATELY
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## Local School News

### MARVELOUS MEDICINE: SCHOOL GETS NEW MEDICAL CLUB

By Samuel Rocha



*Mr. Melenyzer introduces himself to his club members. This had been their second official meeting this year. Photo by Zak Rodriguez.*

The medical field has a broad choice of careers for one's future such as being a pediatrician, a doctor, or a nurse. Getting

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help with choosing the right job without spending massive amounts of money in college is hard to find yet not impossible. But now students have the Medical Club.

Freshman Caroline Bronder pitched the idea for the club at the beginning of the school year and was given the chance to pursue her dream of creating a club dedicated towards medical science.

“I’ve been wanting to get this started in the first semester this year but there was no teacher willing to sponsor the club until I got recommended to Mr. Melenyzer by another one



*Mr. Melenyzer has a group meeting with the club about the future meeting next week.  
Photo by Zak Rodriguez.*

of my teachers,” said Bronder, the club secretary. “Although we are here to gather information about medical science, the long term goal for this club is to revive HOSA and build up a strong family throughout

the years to compete and have success in competition.”

HOSA, or Health Occupation Students of America, was an organized club where students were able to use their knowledge of science and compete against others schools for competition and scholarships.



*Medical club Secretary Caroline Bronder (left) and President (right) Yabaira Ruiz have a conversation on how to help their members out.  
Photo by Zak Rodriguez.*

“We plan on teaching people how to do CPR, basic signs in medicine, and the beginnings of paramedic information. I also want to teach them how to get into medical programs and help their future out,” said Melenyzer.

Medical Club has meetings every Thursday from 4:15 to 5:15 in room AS211.

**Read the full story on the Big Stick Newspaper online! Catch up with all of the events at Roosevelt High School, as written by the students.**

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## 31 APRIL SCHOOL CALENDAR

- 1 NEISD Night Gallery @ Blossom Athletic Center  
Paraprofessional Day
- 7-8 TR STARR English Testing
- 7 White STAAR Test-7th Grade Writing  
White STAAR Test-8th Grade Math
- 8 White STAAR Test-8th Grade Reading
- 10 Good Friday School Holiday
- 12 Easter Holiday
- 14 TR Health and Wellness Fair 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- 13 TR Athletic Booster Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Percussion & Color Guard Concert @ TR 6:30 p.m.
- 14 TR Senior panoramic picture 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  
TR Health & Wellness Fair 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
TR JROTC Award Night 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Evening with Strings-Orchestra at Blossom Athletic Center
- 17 Jostens Senior Announcement Delivery Make-up @ TR
- 18 American Sewing Guild @ TR 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- 21 White Student Showcase 6:00 p.m.
- 22 Rider Pride Awards @ TR 6:30 p.m.
- 23 Theater Spring Showcase @ TR 7:00 p.m.
- 24 Holiday - No School
- 27 Spirit Booster Club Meeting @ TR 6:30 p.m.  
White Talent Show- Theatre Department 6:00 p.m.
- 30 White Beginning Band Spring Concert 6:00 p.m.

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