



# Big Spring E-NEWS



## Message from Dr. Guarente

Big Spring Families and Community:

With just three weeks of school left in 2023, we are glad you are here to learn of all that's happening in the Big Spring School District!

This season, I am so grateful to our students for the way they inspire us as educators, our staff, who are among the most dedicated I've ever known, and our families and community for their support of our students and schools.

There are so many ways to get and be involved, and I encourage you to do so! You can attend a performance, participate in one of our service projects, or send a note of gratitude to someone you know in our school system! On behalf of our entire educational community, we wish you a joyous holiday season.

Ever, Always Strong,  
Dr. [Nicholas Guarente](#)



## Bulldog Blitz **Need to Know**

### Welcome to Our Newly Elected School Board

On November 7, several new board members were elected to the Board of School Directors. These members will be sworn in next week at the Regular Board Meeting on December 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.

Pictured above: Julie Boothe, Seth Cornman, Michael Hippensteel, and Lisa Shade  
(Not Pictured: David Fisher)



## **Generous Donations & Support During The Holiday Season**

Big Spring School District is grateful to the many community members, organizations and churches who partner to provide holiday assistance to our families! Approximately 200 children will be participating this year, with families receiving holiday food donations and/ or gifts for their children. We appreciate the coordination efforts of Jessica Winesickle our Home and School Visitor who serves in a similar capacity as a caseworker to support students and families.



## Info Bites More to Come

### Calamity Day Reminders

In an effort to keep our students safe and maintain a consistent academic progression, the district may institute Remote Learning Days during instances of inclement weather or emergency closures.

- On Remote Learning days, students will participate in learning opportunities facilitated through each building schedule. These schedules are available on the District website.
- In the event of a Remote Learning Day, the change of the instructional model will be clearly communicated, and a reminder will be shared related to the location of the materials.
- Be sure to check your correct phone number and email address are updated in Aspen so you can be in the know! [Student Information Change Request Form](#)



## Bulldog Snapshots





### Annual Veterans Day Celebration

Local veterans and their guests attended the Big Spring High School's Tempus Club's Annual Veterans Day Celebrations on Friday, November 10. We thank all veterans for their selfless service to our nation.



### Lenfest Scholar Dinner

Our Lenfest Scholars celebrated gratitude at the Lenfest Scholar Dinner on November 15! Students were asked to invite and recognize a staff member who has positively influenced their high school experience. Sophia Alampiev recognized Mr. Heath Myers, and Peyton Weekley and Brayden Bailey recognized Dr. Jocelyn Kraus. Thank you for making a lasting impression on our students!



### BSMS Girls On The Run!

The Middle School participated in their first Girls on the Run 5K at HACC on November 19!



### Carlisle Rotary Student of the Month

The Carlisle Rotary Club recognized Alexis Clouse as the Rotary Student of the Month! Alexis spoke at the Rotary luncheon about her dedication to service and learning during her time at Big Spring High School.



## Big Spring Community News

### Mark Your Calendar

- December 2 - District Band/Orchestra Auditions; Tempus Holiday Family Movie Night in HS Commons 6-9 PM
- December 4 - School Board Meeting 7:30 PM MS Auditorium
- December 6 - Oak Flat Elementary PTO Board Meeting
- December 7 - Veterans Brunch 8-10 AM HS Commons; Middle School Winter Concert 7 PM

- December 9 - Oak Flat Elementary Breakfast with Santa 8-11 AM
- December 12 - Oak Flat Elementary Winter Concert 2:45 PM
- December 13 - Mount Rock Elementary PTO Meeting
- December 14 - Mount Rock Elementary Winter Concert 2:45 PM; High School Spotlight Night 3-6:30 PM; High School Winter Concert 7 PM
- December 15 - Newville Elementary Winter Concert 2:45 PM
- December 19 - Newville Elementary PTO Meeting
- December 21 - Early Release for Students (Staff Development)
- December 22-January 1 - Holiday Recess
- January 2 - Staff Development Day (No Students)



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