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Mason Wardell, 5th grader at Story Intermediate, loves taking pictures. He is doing a pretty good job. Here are just a few of his shots, no retouches or changes.



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Wildcat Weekly

from the Superintendent: Jason Marshall

What a great event for Palestine High School, the district, and the community last night was! I would like to thank KTXA 21 for coming to Palestine and televising the Wildcat football team play our friendly rival, the Jacksonville Indians. Both teams played well and put on an exciting show. Congratulations to the Wildcat football team for their outstanding win and to all the fans who came out to

support the team.

Thank you to all the Palestine ISD campuses for their students, staff and parents who represented Palestine ISD with pride.

I would like to thank our maintenance and custodial departments, and everyone involved who helped to make the event a great success.

Many thanks to those who sponsored the televised

game: Buford-Thompson Construction, Texas Farm Bureau Insurance, Chartwells School Dining Services, Brookshire's, and Palestine Regional Medical Center.

It is hard to believe the first two weeks of school have gone by so quickly and students will receive their first progress reports in two weeks. Have a great weekend and see you next week!



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Go Wildcats Palestine Athletics

Lance Angel: Athletic Director

The week's varsity football game vs. Jacksonville was at 7:00 on Thursday and was broadcast live on Channel 21 KTXA Dallas. The first 2000 fans that showed up received a free maroon t-shirt. What an awesome sight it was to see everyone wear maroon and Maroon out the stadium! The Palestine Wildcats defeated the Jacksonville Indians with a score of 56-35. Go Wildcats!

Last Saturday the Cross Country Teams competed in the 16th annual Crocket CC Meet.

The Varsity Boys took 3rd place with Tyler Barnard (2nd place) being our top runner.

The Varsity Girls took 3rd place with Olivia Cone (15th place) being our top runner.

The JV Boys won the meet with Lucas Sheeley (2nd place) being our top runner.

The JV Girls took 3rd place with Vanessa Mendoza (8th place) being our top runner.

This weekend we will be hosting the 8th Annual Dogwood Invitational at Story Intermediate School.

Our Freshman football team will play at 5:00 here on Friday and our JV will play at 5:00 at Jacksonville on Friday

Congratulations to our PHS volleyball team for their wins on yesterday against Grapeland.

Match results— Freshman won 2-0, JV won 2-0, and Varsity won 3-0.

The Ladycats next game will be Friday evening beginning at 4:30 pm versus Jacksonville here at the high school.

We hope to see you at the game on Friday!

GO LADYCATS!

Palestine High School

William Stewart: Principal

What a wonderful experience we had at the televised football game on Thursday. Our students, faculty, and staff all did amazingly well as they represented Palestine ISD in a truly remarkable way. My congratulations to Coach Angel and the football team on a performance that brought pride to our town. Also, special thanks to the cheerleaders, Kit-Kats, band, color guard, and all the other organizations who helped make this experience possible. What an exciting ending to our second week of school. Scratch 'em Cats!

William Stewart

I am really proud of our students, parents, and community for coming out showing their spirit to our awesome football team. Thursday night's crowd filled the home-side bleachers with more than 1,000 fans in their maroon spirit shirts. I was so impressed with how we were unified as a team. Keep up the good work!

Linda Holmes

Youth & Government: The PHS YMCA Youth & Government held its first of two Kick-Off meetings on Monday, September 2 in the PHS Library. It will be hosting another on Monday, September 9th in the PHS Library at 5:30 p.m. Students in the program propose legislation in the form of bills and present them on the State Capital Floor. They also have the opportunity to be involved as an Attorney, Witness, or Judge in a Mock Trial. Some will represent countries in the Model United Nations working out arms treaties, trade on goods and services, etc. Still others will have the opportunity to report what's happening in Broadcast, Newsprint, or Cyber Media. Any student who is interested in participating can contact Mrs. Webb in the Tech Department or one of the Youth & Government Officers.



Robotics— Coach Baker's students working on "Bring Me Water" robotics programming.



Health Science — Mrs. Bristow's students working on paper Mache.

Palestine Junior High School

Larissa Loveless: Principal

Students Work on “The Writing Process” in Ms. Dixon’s Class Creating Spirals with the steps to follow when writing a story.



Junior Youth & Government: The YMCA Junior Youth & Government group will be expanding this year to include our 6th grade students at Story Intermediate along with our 7th & 8th Grade students at the Palestine Junior High. Students will research, write, and debate state issues with their peers from across Texas in mock legislature. Dates for the Kick-off meeting and start dates will be posted soon. For more information – see Mrs. Webb in the Tech Department, Eric Higginbotham at Story Intermediate, Ms. Lacy at PJHS, or Ms. Hamlin at PJHS.



Students are working hard in Ms. Unger's class creating their "I Am" posters. Many of our students not only excel in academics, but athletics and music and dance as well. The "I AM" posters gave them the opportunity to share stories!



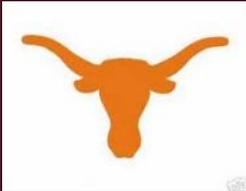
Students are walking responsibly in the halls and staying to the right side. So far, our Junior High Wildcats have done great during passing periods and getting to their next class on time!

A.M. Story Intermediate School

Amanda Jackson: Principal

Hook ‘em... Sic ‘em... and... Gig ‘em?

What’s up with that? Every Monday we get to promote higher education by wearing a shirt with our Alma Mata’s logo. Some of our students are researching the how’s and why’s regarding popular mottos and customs of our favorite universities.



As a staff our word is ROAR. –more to come regarding this...have a great week!



Boy Scouts

Marie Jones, representative from the East Texas Area Council of Boy Scouts of America, presented information to our students this week.

What’s in a Word?

Instead of lengthy goals and mission statements, the Story Staff is picking powerful words. We are encouraging our students to do so as well. We encourage you to take a moment to reflect on all of the things you need to accomplish...instead of kicking into overload and tons of stress...pick a word that represents all the greatness that you are striving for; and focus on what it represents: As a principal, my word is GRATITUDE! I am so thankful for the opportunity to work with the parents, students and teachers of this community.



Story just received its charter from the Kiwanis organization to have its very own K-Kids club. This is a world-wide organization that provides an opportunity for students to learn about leadership through service. This club will be supported by Kiwanis volunteers and school staff members.



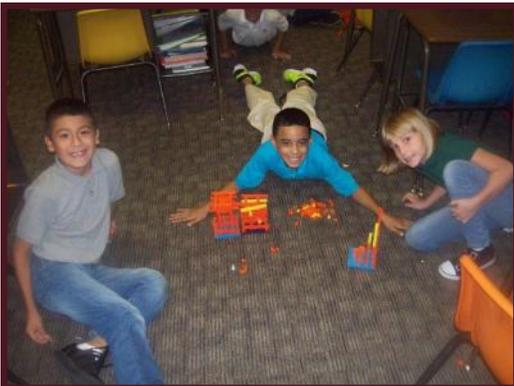
Story + Style = Safety

Safety is a priority at Story, therefore, we have schedules. Both teachers and students are becoming familiar with our routines. Several students have already earned a privilege during lunch. Thank you for helping to keep our cafeteria safe, orderly and clean.



Southside Elementary School

Stephen Cooksey: Principal



Our students literally “getting into the swing of things” in Mrs. Harding’s Dance class.... Great job Mrs. Harding.



Students were working on place value and expanded notation in Mrs. Jenkins class! Awesome Job Mrs. Jenkins!

On Monday it may have been Labor Day Holiday on the calendar, but our students were busy Diving into Learning!

The second week of school here at Southside has been awesome.

Mrs. Everhart has her P.E. class rotating through stations and participating in coordination drills! Thanks Mrs. Everhart!



Northside Primary School

Barbara Dutton: Principal

Yummy breakfast. Ready for learning at Northside.



Washington Early Childhood Center

Rhonda Herrington: Principal



This is only the second week of school but, the WECC students and staff have been working hard on learning how roles and responsibilities are part of their classroom community. The students have also learned about the parts of their body and the role each body part plays in movement and expression.

On Friday, September 6th we have a special celebration planned for our grandparents or "grand friends." This will be a wonderful experience not only for the students but also the grandparent to share muffins and juice and visit their grandchild's classroom. What a wonderful way to bring the young and old together. Thank you to Marian McQuade for originating National Grandparents Day.



Palestine ISD Support Services

Organizational changes are being made within the Palestine ISD Maintenance & Operations Department.

In an effort to become more service oriented, the changes include the designation of a Facility Usage Manager, Jack Dalaba. Jack's new duties include Energy Management and overseeing new technologies in HVAC and energy.

Additionally, Jacob Wheeler will serve as Building Services Manager, overseeing the daily operations and maintenance of our district's facilities. Thank you to Jack & Jacob for assuming these duties.



Business Office:

The Business Office is busy wrapping up the 2012-13 budget and opening up the 2013-14 budget. Football ticket sales are continuing.

Operations:

We appreciate Mr. Joe Miller for serving as our interim director. We will begin next week with a new plan of action for the Operations Department.

Human Resources Department

The Human Resources Department is assisting the leaders of the TACE (Texas After School Centers for Education) Program in building an instructional team for the after school programs. This is an opportunity for teachers, paraprofessionals, parents and community to get involved in student learning. Anyone interested in assisting in the after-school program may apply online at www.palestineschools.org.

September—Looking Forward

8	9 10:00 a Volleyball Scrimmage – Crossroads	10 10:00 a Volleyball Scrimmage – Palestine	11	12	13 7:30 p Football vs. Kaufman – Palestine	14 8:30 a Volleyball - Nacogdoches
15	16	17 6:30 Northside Academic Open House	18	19 5:30 Southside Academic Open House	20 7:30 Football at Chapel Hill	21 ACT Test at Palestine High School

