



Richardson Campus News

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Courage on Campus

The Courage Program is an in-school program designed to work with learners who have issues related to their use of drugs or alcohol or other issues related to struggles with emotional problems, such as anxiety and depression, which have interfered with their ability to function properly in their social, academic, and family life. The program creates a classroom environment that increases structure and accountability, provides academic goal-setting skills, and allows for students to participate in an after-school support groups that teach recovery skills, coping skills, and other life skills needed to be successful. The Courage Program gives learners a place to feel and be safe while pursuing recovery and academics goals, and an opportunity to have a positive social support system, as well as the opportunity to develop improved life skills in preparation for life after High School. See Mr. Jaecks for more information about the Courage program at the Richardson campus.



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What Is Student Council?

By Noor Kamel

Do you want to get more out of high school than finishing courses and earning your diploma? Do you want to make your high school years a fun and involved experience? Consider becoming a part of our Student Council.

This year, Student Council is focused on grooming yourself to become a leader. On October 17th and 18th, we will learn about leadership from the Dallas Stars and the Dallas Mavericks. On both trips, the teams will talk to us pre-game about the significance of being a leader and what leadership constitutes. Then we'll watch the teams play. You won't have to pay for your tickets! The only requirement is to be a part of our Student Council.

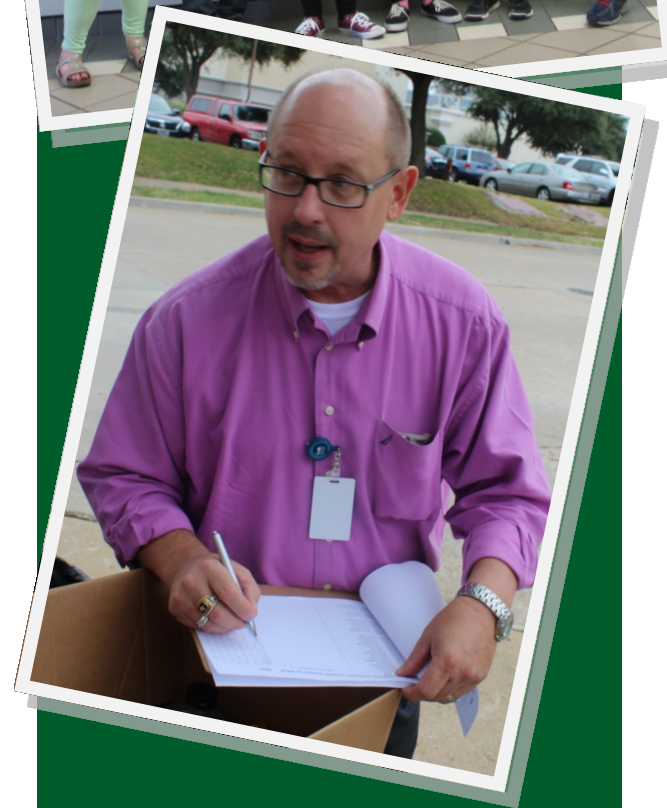
Do you want to design a t-shirt for our school? Or put your touch on our school decorations for Halloween, Thanksgiving, or Christmas? We need your creative ideas to make Winfree look cute, festive, personalized, and unique!

Are you someone who loves working out? Why not do it for a great cause? In October, our Student Council will participate in a 5k for breast cancer. If that's something you're passionate about, join us!

Most of the events listed here are just for the month of October. We have MUCH more planned for the rest of the year, so you can definitely find something to look forward to.

If you have any ideas for Student Council, let us know! We will represent your opinions and make them a priority.

If you're considering becoming a part of our Student Council, come to our weekly meeting on Fridays, from 12 to 12:40 pm.



Principal's Corner

Can you believe that Fall has officially arrived and that we have entered our sixth week of school. We have had a great start to the school year. Learners are working hard to complete semesters, gain credits, and fulfill their goals. It is important that in order for your learners to be successful they MUST attend school every day and on time. Many learners are coming to school late and missing their very first teacher. It is vital that they have access to all of the educators which is why they need to make their attendance a priority. It is important to remember that your teenager can go to doctor/dentist/eye/etc. appointments on their off session. Please try to make appointments when they are not at school, so that they do not miss a day.

We are really looking forward to October. We will be participating in a Leadership conference, attending a Stars game, planning Red Ribbon Week, conducting a 5K walk for Breast Cancer Awareness, hosting a Blood Drive, and celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month, just to name a few events.

All of us at Richardson are here to serve and assist your learners and help them achieve all of their academic goals. Please do not hesitate to call or set up a meeting with us for any questions or concerns. I am looking forward to the upcoming months and know that at Richardson miracles, success stories, and triumphs happen every day.

To a great school year,
Ms. Ennis

Counselor's Corner

- 1. College Application Fee Assistance** - If any learners need help completing their college applications or paying their college application fee, please see Ms. Manuel for assistance.
- 2. SAT/ACT Fee Waivers** - If learners are planning on taking the one or both of these tests, see Ms. Manuel for a fee waiver.
- 3. The Mobile Go Center (MGC)** provides college-going resources to primarily high school individuals and their families to ultimately increase the number of learners enrolling and succeeding in higher education programs in Texas. It is equipped with laptop computers, high-speed 4G LTE internet access, and access to a variety of digital resources and publications.

Blood Drive

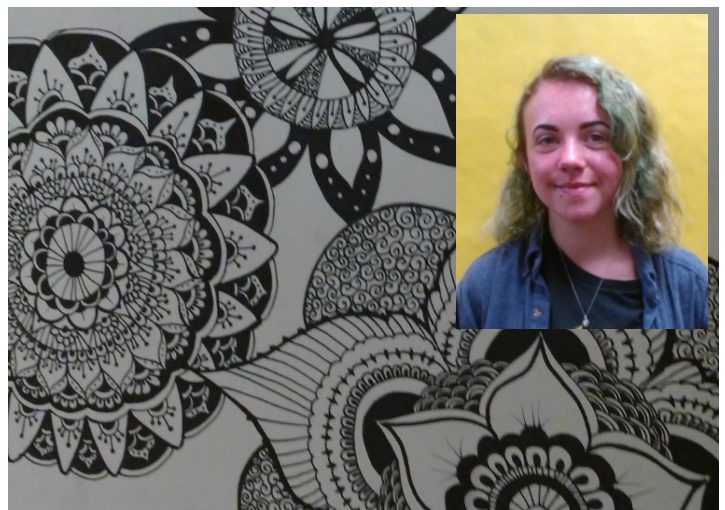
10/11/17 GOAL: SAVE 35 LIVES



Artist of the Month Haley Greenwell

“Haley is a very talented young lady. She is polite, kind-hearted, and always willing to help out when a need arises. The thing I like the most about her is her free spirited personality and how she lights up when she talks about art. She is the first student to show me her personal work and what artist has influenced her art style. It is a joy to have her in my class.”

- Ms. Fuentes, Art Teacher - Richardson



New Educator Spotlight: Adriana Fuentes



I am so excited to be a part of the Winfree team as the new art teacher for the Richardson, Dallas and Grand Prairie campuses. This will be my ninth-year teaching. As an art educator, my experience has been in working with struggling learners mainly within a charter setting.

I enjoy working with high school learners, and feel blessed to be able to share my love for the arts with them. I have a BFA in graphic design from Texas State University in San Marcos. I love spending time with family and friends, going to the movies, and road trips.

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1	2	3	4 <i>Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness!</i>	5 <i>College / Career Shirt Day</i> <i>Parent University</i>	6 <i>Winfree Wear Day</i>	7
8	9 <i>Staff Development</i> <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	10	11 <i>Blood Drive</i> <i>Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness!</i> <i>PSAT</i>	12 <i>College / Career Shirt Day</i>	13 <i>W.W. Day</i> <i>Hispanic Heritage Lunch</i>	14 <i>Stuco District Conference</i>
15	16	17 <i>Stuco Leadership Conference w/ Dallas Stars</i>	18 <i>Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness!</i>	19 <i>College / Career Shirt Day</i>	20 <i>W.W. Day</i> <i>5K Breast Cancer Walk</i>	21
						
22	23	24 <i>M.A.D.D. Presentation</i>	25 <i>Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness</i>	26 <i>College / Career Shirt Day</i>	27 <i>Winfree Wear Day</i>	28
<i>RED RIBBON WEEK</i>						
29	30	31 <i>Winfree Insights Submission Deadline</i>				
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