



Dallas Campus News

Winfree Academy

December 2016

Greetings from the Dallas Campus! The first quarter of the 2016-2017 academic year has ended. It is hard for me to believe we have already completed a quarter of the school year. As I am sure you have heard we are off to a great start. We have 3 graduates to date and a number of learners who should be graduated before we leave for our break in December.

We have the first round of state STAAR assessments starting December 5th. The five required STAAR assessment for graduation are English 1 & 2, Biology, Algebra 1 and US History. It is imperative that your learner is on time and in attendance on the days they are scheduled to test. The five required STAAR assessments for graduation are English 1 & 2, Biology, Algebra 1 and US History.

Our second quarter is even more packed than the first. We have learners scheduled to take both the ACT and SAT, a second round of Credit by Exam, college visits and a Holiday toy drive, just to mention a few. I encourage you to reach out to us should you have questions or want to get involved with events here on campus.

Sincerely,
Bradley Landis
Principal



Why Try

Dallas campus Learners and Educators participate in a Why Try activity involving balloons, helium, and learning to face your insecurities. Learners were required to write down, on their balloon, some negative traits they feel about themselves. After a poignant discussion, they released their balloons into the open air, symbolizing their liberation from negativity. It was a much needed exercise for releasing negativity.



Mrs. McGuire leads the discussion describing how negativity can be insidious. She further explains that negative feelings have the potential to produce negative actions, and the red balloon she wields signifies such feelings.

The Releasing of the Balloons and Negative Energy.



After Mrs. McGuire's insightful monologue, the learners release their balloons into the open air, thus freeing themselves from negativity.

STUCO

The Dallas Campus has initiated a canned food drive, and the classroom with the most enjoys a pizza party. Not to be outdone, Jacorey Davis (pictured below) brought an outstanding eighty cans, which catapults classroom one in the lead.



Standing from left to right, Jacorey, Shakayla Taylor and Michaela Hunt stand proud knowing that victory is close at hand.

JARVIS COLLEGE



Some of the learners at Winfree have been accepted into Jarvis College. Their hard work deserves to be applauded and acknowledged, and they are sure to have a bright future. Others may receive scholarships depending to their GPA and SAT/ACT scores.

3.0-3.19—\$4,000

3.2-3.49—\$6,000

3.5-3.70—\$8,000

Counselor's Corner



Dr. "T" has embraced all facets of school counseling from guidance counseling, responsive services, individual services, and system support. She is very present and the learners know there are high expectations when they cross her threshold. With her philosophy "you have to do something", she challenges learners thought processes and encourages them to develop future goals. She encourages learners to think bigger and better and challenges them to be the exception and not the rule. Many have heard her say "Today is the first day of the rest of your life, what will you do with it?"

Graduate

Winfree Academy would like to take this time to acknowledge our latest graduate:



Winfree's Spotlight



We are so proud of Briyana Galvez. Her realization of the importance of an education has been her fuel for her stellar progression while maintaining a healthy relationship with staff and peers. We all here at Winfree Dallas campus would like to acknowledge her diligence and we will continue to support her academic journey.

Osprey Quote of the Month:

“All human beings are also dream beings. Dreaming ties all mankind together.”

—Jack Kerouac



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