

We've been staying busy with our pep-rally hot dog eating contest, blood drive, Black History Month celebration, and wishing our basketball team good luck!



# Grand Prairie Campus News

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## Congratulations

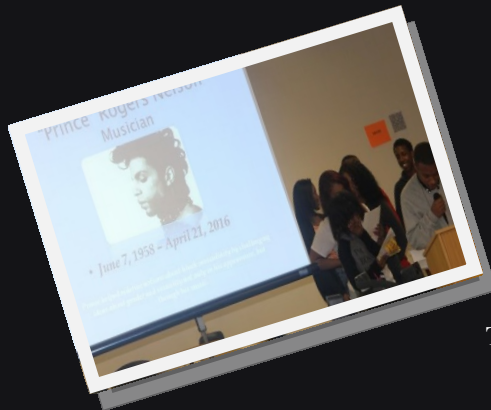
Grand Prairie Basketball team! They ranked 1st place in the region with an undefeated record in the district and region. They finished 2nd in the state of Texas out of 204 charter schools with a final record of 16-1!



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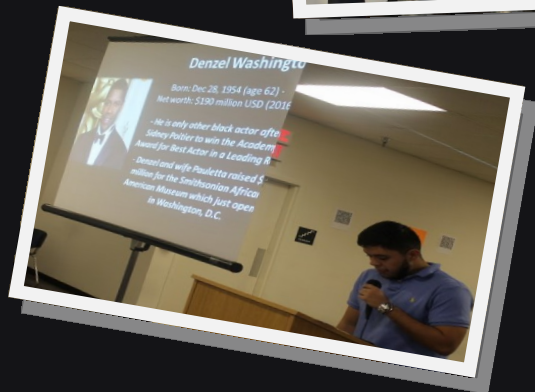
# Grand Prairie Highlights:



Our learners worked hard to create amazing presentations to celebrate Black History Month!

- Week 1 —Artists, Musicians, Actors
- Week 2 —Educators, Civil Rights Movement Leaders and Politicians
- Week 3 —Inventors and Sports

Thank you for all of your participation!



By Tasa Jalbert

## Learner Feature

*Perfect Opposite*  
by Tasa Jalbert

You're the sun to my moon. You light up my darkness.  
Without you I'd just be a rock floating in space.  
You're the lighthouse guiding me home. Without you I'd just be a lost  
ship with no sense of direction.  
We're polar opposites, you're the north and I'm the south.  
We're yin & yang.  
But opposites attract and we're the perfect opposites for each other.

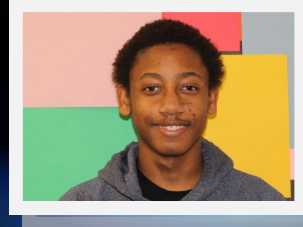
## Counselor's Corner with Dr. Smith



## Congratulations to our hard-working WINFREE STAR SPOTLIGHT Learners



*Favour E.  
&  
David P.*



*#ProudtoBeWinfree*

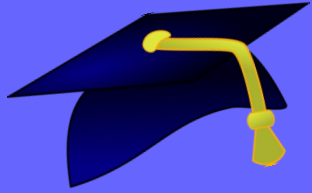
Please know that I'm still working out dates with college recruiters to come to the campus to visit our learners but here some other things your also happening:

- **TAKS Testing Week** is 03/06 - 03/09 the next testing week will not be until June.
- The next **SAT Exam** is Saturday 3/11. The deadline to register was Friday 02/11. Students who registered for this exam may check out a calculator from Mr. Claunch or myself, the day before the exam.
- I will be taking 20 students to **Texas State Technical College** in Waco on Friday, March 24. The bus will leave about 8:30 for a tour of the college & have lunch on campus. We will return around 1 pm.
- Please mark your calendars for the NACAC National College Fair on **April 24** being held at the Irving Convention Center. You can get more information at: [www.nacacfairs.org](http://www.nacacfairs.org).
- Students and parents, I speak with military recruiters on a weekly basis. If any students are interested in taking the Pre-ASVAB to get an idea of how they would score on the real exam please let me know and I can get that set up for you. Also, if any student is interested in meeting with a recruiter from any branch of the military I can facilitate that meeting.
- Parents and students while the SAT and the ACT are both important exam please keep in mind the TSI. The TSI is required for entrance into any college in Texas. The Texas Success Initiative Assessment, better known as the **TSI** test, is a program which determines the appropriate level of college course work for an incoming student. The **TSI** test consists of three separate exams: Mathematics, Reading, and Writing.

Visit the following sites for practice:

1. <https://www.mometrix.com/academy/tsi-test/>
2. [Free TSI Practice Test - TSI Test Review - Mometrix](#)

# Congratulations to our recent grads of 2016-17!



**Martha F.  
Jose T.  
Jaylyn G.  
Tevin S.  
Megan W.  
Carrington B.**



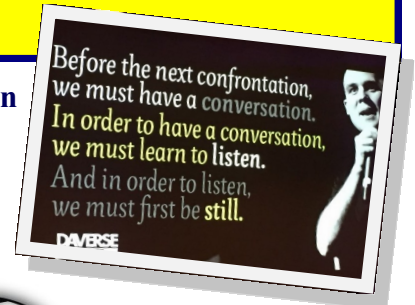
**Friday, March 3, 2017, Will Richey and Alejandro Perez will be at Winfree Academy Grand Prairie! These two gentlemen are DaVerse Lounge! They will present a poetry workshop from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. And then ... We will have a field trip to DaVerse Lounge departing from the parking lot at 6:15pm and returning about 9:30pm on March 3. Please e-mail Mr. Claunch - [dclaunch@wacsd.com](mailto:dclaunch@wacsd.com) if you want to attend either event. Attendance is limited to the FIRST 20 people to respond.**



## **Grand Prairie Campus**

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**Grand Prairie Campus soccer will begin soon! Tryouts and discussion about practice on Tuesday, March 21 at 4:45pm. If you are interested or have any questions, please see Ms. Dempsay.**



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- The Age Discrimination Coordinator, for concerns regarding discrimination on the basis of age, is Deirdre Staples, Executive Director of Compliance, 6221 Riverside Drive Suite 110, Irving Texas 75039.
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# March 2017

Sun

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Fri

Sat

			1	2	3	4
				College/Career Shirt Day	Winfree Wear	
5	6	7	8	9 College/Career Shirt 	10	11
	TAKS ELA	Retest MATH	SCIENCE	Social Studies	Learner Appreciation Day! Winfree Wear	SAT Exam
12	13	14	15	16	17	18

Spring Break

19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			CBE Registration Deadline	Parent University College/Career Shirt Day	Winfree Wear	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
		STAAR	ENGLISH	EOC College/Career Shirt Day	Winfree Wear	