

# *Stephen F. Austin High School*

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AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Hello Maroon Family,

I am excited for another week in “Maroon Country”

This weekend the **AHS Debate Team** competed at the Westlake-LASA Swing Debate Tournament. We had a very strong showing with a total of 28 round wins! Please congratulate the following students for their wins!

- Holland Beard WON the LASA side for Novice LD, and got Third Speaker.
- Victoria Strama and Phoenix Muniz WON the LASA side for Novice PF. They were Semi-Finalists on the Westlake side and Victoria got Second Speaker.
- Annika Singh and Zoe Moreno got 2nd place for the Westlake side of Novice PF and Annika got First Speaker.
- Sofia Trejo was Semi-Finalist on both sides of the tournament for Novice LD, getting Third Speaker on the Westlake side.
- Sam Cotera was a Semi-Finalist for both sides of the tournament’s Prose competition
- Lola Shmeis was Semi-Finalist for International Extemp on the LASA side
- Jacqui D’Alfonso was Semi-Finalist for Novice Extemp on the LASA side
- Boone Goodgame got Second Speaker for LASA Novice PF
- Gwen Graham, Camille Kilday, Wyatt Parker, and Jake Gibbons helped the AHS Team present a strong showing as well!

**Congratulations to the Youth and Government Team** for their amazing performance at the annual YG Regional Conference. Special Shout out to Zoe Moreno for her hard earned medal for her legislative proposal. You all truly have embraced Austin High's One Team, One Dream philosophy.

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**Austin High's Ballet Folklorico** presented the featured showcase at Lubbock's Viva Aztlan Festival over Spring Break. They also competed at the Festival against adult groups including high school, non-profit and semi-pro companies. In solos, three of our four dancers were placed in the advanced division--Emily Alpuche, Alexia Luna and Ms. Victoria Carr. Ms. Carr took third place in the division and Alexia Luna took 2nd. Mia Gutierrez took second place in the intermediate division. Neyna Singh and Hector Armenta took second place in the advanced division in duets. Our two cuadros, featuring our full company, were both placed in the advanced division and won the following awards: 3rd and 1st place in costuming, 3rd place in technique and form, 2nd place in choreography, 1st place traditional cuadro, and Best overall adult cuadro. ES000000000000!!!





**Over 3 weeks the Red Jacket brought home over 50 awards back to Austin High.**

**Congratulations on a great competition season Red Jackets!!**

**Red Jacket Officers:**

**Captain Evie Hodge**

**1st Lieutenant Kathleen Wright**

**Junior Lieutenants Hardin Hanson & Ava Renspie**

**Central Austin Challenge Feb. 12th**

Solo Winners:

Evie Hodge 3rd Place (12th grade solo)

Aaliyah Kidman 3rd place (10th grade solo)

Finalist: Kennedy Muhr & Zoe Honigblum

Company Ensemble - 2nd Runner up

Maggie Dwyer & Dair Box - Overall top 10 Duet

#### Team Awards

Team Open - 1st Place

Team Hip Hop - 2nd Place

Team Jazz - 2nd Place

Team Contemporary - 1st Place

Special Awards: 1st Runner Up Grand Champion

Challenge Elite (highest scoring teams of the entire contest)

#### Officer Awards

Officer Prop - 1st Place

Officer Jazz - 1st Place

Officer Contemporary - 1st Place

#### **Lost Pines Showcase Feb. 18th**

#### **Solo Awards:**

Evie Hodge - 4th Runner Up

Zoe Honigblum - 4th Runner Up

Aaliyah Kidman - 1st Runner Up

Company Ensemble - 2nd Place

Maggie Dwyer & Dair Box - 1st Place Duet

Avery Corliss & Rachel Yost - 2nd Place Duet

#### Team Awards

Team Open - 1st Place

Team Hip Hop - 2nd Place

Team Jazz - 2nd Place

Team Contemporary - 1st Place

Platinum Award in Technique, Precision, Presentation & Choreography

Team Award of Excellence

Most Outstanding Team (voted on by all teams)

Overall Grand Champion Team

#### Officer Awards

Officer Prop - 1st Place

Officer Jazz - 1st Place

Officer Contemporary - 1st Place

Officer Award of Excellence

Platinum Award in Technique, Precision, Presentation & Choreography

Overall Grand Champion Officer Line

#### **Dripping Springs Showcase Feb. 25th**

Solo Winners:

Aaliyah Kidman 1st place (10th grade solo)

Alaina Anguiano - 9th Runner up (10th grade solo)

#### Team Awards

Team Open - 1st Place

Team Hip Hop - 1st Place

Team Jazz - 3rd Place

Team Contemporary - 2nd Place

Artistry Award: Team Jazz & Team Contemporary

Crowd Pleaser Award: Team Hip Hop

High Platinum & Diamond Adjudication Awards

Crowd Pleasers Elite

#### Officer Awards

Officer Prop - 1st Year

Officer Jazz - 2nd Place

High Platinum & Diamond Adjudication Awards

Crowd Pleasers Elite

## **Fentanyl Awareness**

Fentanyl continues to be a serious concern in our and surrounding communities... [Here is a link](#) to resources and webinars for educators, administrators, and parents.

## **Friendly Student Reminders**

- All faculty, staff, and students should have visible badges at all times. Students should not be allowed a bathroom pass without their ID.
- No passes out of class during the first and last 15 minutes of the block.
- Only Seniors are allowed to leave campus for lunch.

## **STAFFING UPDATE:**

- Biomedical (Recommended)

*\*Hired-New teacher has been hired and given a start date*

*\*Recommended-A candidate has been recommended to HR*

*\*In-Progress-Applications are being screened*

## **NEW OFFICE LOCATION:**

The Main Entrance is now located on the west side of campus. The Main Office and Attendance Office are located directly in front of the new west side Main Entrance (Room 148). **The Health Office was moved back to the 2nd floor next to the Admin. Office.** Please call the main line at 512-414-2505 if you have any questions or concerns.

### **First Floor Main Office**

- Visitors Check-in & Check-out
- Student Attendance Sign-in & Sign-out
- Pick up students
- Attendance Specialist Office

### **Second Floor Administrative Office**

- Principal's Office
- Admin. & Management Assistant's Office
- Bookkeeper's Office
- Registrar's Office
- VOE Request & Pick-up
- Substitute Office
- Health Office