

Dates to Remember

- Sept. 1 Arabian VB @ Leakey
V Warhorses vs Crystal City, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 5 Arabian VB vs Navarro
Band Booster Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Band Hall
- Sept. 6 V Tennis vs SA Kennedy, 4:30 p.m.
MS VB @ Bandera
- Sept. 7 Kinder Parent Mtg.
JV/F Warhorses vs Natalia, 6 p.m.
- Sept. 8 Arabian VB vs Uvalde
V Warhorses @ Natalia, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 9 Devine F/JV Tournament
- Sept. 11 MS VB vs Carrizo Springs
DMS PTO Mtg., 4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 12 Arabian VB vs Carrizo Springs
- Sept. 13 V/JV Tennis @ Uvalde
Athletic Boosters Mtg., 5:15 p.m., DSAC
- Sept. 14 JV/F Warhorses vs Hondo, 5/6:30 p.m.
- Sept. 15 Arabian VB vs Pleasanton
V Warhorses @ Hondo, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 18 DISD School Board Mtg., 6:30 p.m., DSAC
- Sept. 19 Arabian VB vs SA Feast
- Sept. 20 DIS SBDM Mtg., 4 p.m.
V Tennis @ Hondo, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 21 CES SBDM Mtg., 4 p.m., Google Meet
JV/F Warhorses @ Uvalde, 5/6:30 p.m.
- Sept. 22 Arabian VB @ Somerset
V Warhorses vs Uvalde, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 23 MPB Marching Contest, Carrizo Springs
- Sept. 25 JV Tennis @ Medina Valley, 4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 26 Arabian VB vs Pearsall
- Sept. 27 V Tennis @ Carrizo Springs, 4 p.m.
- Sept. 28 JV/F Warhorse vs Davenport, 5/6:30 p.m.
- Sept. 29 End of first six weeks
Arabian VS @ Floresville
V Warhorses @ Davenport, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 30 Rough Rider Marching Contest, SA
- Oct. 2 Second Six Weeks begins
MS VB vs Del Rio
- Oct. 3 CES/DJS Fall Individual Pictures
Arabian VB @ Uvalde
- Oct. 4 Report Cards published on Parent Portal
V Tennis @ Pearsall, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 5 Warhorses @ YMLS, Alamo Stadium, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 6 F/JV Football vs YMLA
- Oct. 7 Judson Rocket Review, Rutledge Stadium
- Oct. 9 Student Holiday

HB 114 effective Sept. 1



House Bill 114 went into effect Friday, Sept. 1 across the state.

It requires students caught with vapes at the school to be placed in an alternative schooling environment, or Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP).

According to the DISD student code of conduct, a student must be placed in a DAEP if he/she:

- Sells, gives or delivers an e-cigarette to another person;
- Possesses or uses an e-cigarette him/herself.

If the DAEP is full, a student can be placed in in-school suspension until space is available to transfer him/her. That rule also applies to students with marijuana, THC or alcohol.



From the Superintendent...

At its monthly meeting Monday, August 21, DISD Board of Trustees unanimously voted to call for a \$11.255 million bond election and a voter-approval tax ratification election (VATRE) for Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

What is a VATRE?

VATRE stands for Voter Approval Tax Rate Election. A VATRE is triggered when the school board adopts a Maintenance and Operations tax rate above the compressed rate. The compressed rate is .6970 cents and the board adopted a rate of .7270 cents which is .03 cents higher than the compressed rate.

The DISD tax rate that is on the homeowner's tax statement consists of two board-approved tax rates, M&O and I&S. M&O stands for Maintenance and Operations, and the funds are used for the daily operations of the district, including salaries, supplies, and minor building repair and maintenance. I&S stands for Interest and Sinking, and the funds are used to pay off voter-approved bonds.

The 3 cents being requested are called golden pennies. This is because if approved by voters, it automatically triggers additional state funding. These three pennies will generate approximately \$202,097 from the local property taxpayer, and an additional \$746,369 in funding from the state.

If approved, the bond monies will be used for safety and security measures at DISD campuses.

Because the Texas Legislature compressed, or lowered, the homeowner tax rate, the bottom line is that taxpayers will pay less in property taxes. The bond proposition will not raise property taxes.



Nov. 7, 2023

Beginning of year in pictures

