

R.E.A.C.H. High School

News

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TAKS

April 28th-May 1st

Staff Appreciation Week

May 4th - 8th

Early Release / Prof. Dev.

May 13th

Six Flags Attendance Trip

May 19th

Make-Up Day

May 25th

Credit Celebration 11:30 a.m.

May 29th

Last Day of School

June 4th



Wanda Mitchell
Principal

Note from the Principal's Office

As we begin the course of the final six weeks, it is time to start thinking about summer school which takes place on June 10th-July 1st. For students who have not passed one of the sections of the exit level TAKS, it should be considered mandatory that he/she attends a TAKS preparation class in order to prepare for the retest which will be administered in mid-July. In addition, students will be allowed to finish up classes in which extensions have been granted from the regular school year. For students who do not fall into either category, this is an excellent opportunity in the challenge to get "caught up" to grade level. There is no charge for REACH students. Applications will be available on May 4th in the office.

Wanda Mitchell

"Manafest" Performs for REACH and CHS

On April 7th, Manafest once again made it a point to spend time with REACH High School students during the course of their current world tour. This time, as promised, Chris Greenwood and DJ Drew Mitchell performed a concert for REACH and CHS students in the auditorium at the regular high school. The students enjoyed the combination of concert/motivational speaking where high American conservative values were presented. These values included challenges to students to dream and follow their dreams regardless of the challenges and obstacles set before them. They challenged students to have a dedication to a cause bigger than themselves with a determination to succeed and reach out to others. These themes were dramatically presented in song, beat, and lyrics. Manafest's emotion, electricity, and energy coupled with the positive messages of hope and expectation rang out in a vessel that communicated on a level that appealed and connected with the students and adults alike. Chris Greenwood and his band empowered, challenged and motivated us to be the best that we can be. This is the kind of spark that will ignite a generation of aggressive, caring, citizens that will make us all proud to be Americans.

The Mission of Castleberry ISD is to graduate all students as lifelong learners who will excel in our changing world and competitive workplace.

Counselor's Corner

I am proud of our students, their achievements, and their determination. The seniors are working extra hard to meet graduation deadlines. For many of them, they will be the first in their families to complete high school and go to college. All students who graduate from REACH High School have the academic ability to succeed in higher education. Money is, also, no longer an obstacle. The federal, state and county governmental grants along with local scholarships now make it possible for our students to follow their dreams and aspirations. All seniors should consider filling out the "FAFSA" (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) which will provide up to \$4,000 a year and TCC's (Tarrant County College) "Stars of Tomorrow" grant which provides up to \$4000. Students who will teach for 5 years, can receive loan forgiveness up to \$4000 a year from Federal and State "Teacher Assistance" grants. Last year, 1/3 of our graduating seniors received local scholarships. The money is there for any students who are willing to fill out the applications. Why make \$17,000 a year for forty years, when you can make \$47,000 a year for thirty-six years? That is \$1,080,000 difference and a better quality of life by doing what you enjoy doing. You can do it! Ask your high school and college counselors for help.

Dr. Homer Cole

District News

Skyward Family Access

Castleberry ISD parents can now check their student's grades, attendance, discipline, and health records from home with Skyward Family Access. To sign up to receive your user name and password for Family Access, please

For more information about Castleberry ISD

- Explore our Webpage: www.castleberryisd.net
- Watch **Charter Cable Channel 30** in the River Oaks and Sansom Park Areas.
- Call **817-252-2000** and choose **Option 8** for weekly events.

Schedule of Events

- Your school's calendar, as well as a district-wide calendar, are available on our website.
- From our home page, choose "schools," then your school, then "School Calendar."

Family Access

- CISD parents can now go online and view their student's grades, health records, attendance, and much more.
- Sign up for Skyward Parent Access today by calling 817-252-2023.

Volunteers

- From our home page, choose "Volunteer Program."
- You can print out a volunteer application and turn it in to your school secretary.

School Board Meetings

- A summary of each Board meeting is available on our website.
- From the home page, choose "Board of Trustees."