

Danish, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch

Monday, February 14

School Holiday

Tuesday, February 15

Hornet Chicken Bowl
(popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, cheese), hot roll, milk

Wednesday, February 16

Spaghetti, plain or meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, milk

Thursday, February 17

Chicken sandwich, pickles, chips, milk

Friday, February 18

Stacked enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, salad, milk

**TPWD launches
giveaway for tagged
Guadalupe Bass**

Grab a rod and reel and head to Central Texas for a chance to catch one of 30 tagged Guadalupe bass and possibly win a prize. From February 4 until August 31, any angler who catches one of the tagged Guadalupe bass from the Lower Colorado River near Austin and Smithville will be awarded a prize package and be entered into grand prize drawings at the end of the seven-month period.

This contest is the latest effort to help recognize the ecological and recreational importance of the Lower Colorado River - home to the current state record Guadalupe bass. The tournament is being hosted by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) along with partners, All Water Guides, Cleanup the Colorado, and the Texas River School. The Colorado River flows right through the heart of Central Texas with a proximity close to the urban population center of Austin, yet this river fishery remains an underutilized recreational resource.

“We’re incredibly appreciative of our partners and the attention they bring to the Lower Colorado River,” said John Botros, Inland Fisheries River Access Coordinator at TPWD. “Not only will All Water Guides bring the experience of catching a Guadalupe bass to their clients, but they also bestow upon anglers a responsible fishing ethic.”

Of course, nobody likes seeing trash when you are out enjoying the river, added Botros. Many thanks to Cleanup the Colorado and their efforts coordinating the recent LoCo Trash Bash events which have removed over 21 tons of trash from the Colorado River.

TPWD’s investments in angler access and monitoring, the removal of tons of trash from the Colorado River during the LoCo Trash Bash events and educating youth on paddling skills and river ethics supports the collective goals to improve the river environment and get people out on the river. TPWD believes that people can grow a sense of river stewardship through a good experience on the water and the joy of catching a Guadalupe

bass.

“We are very grateful for the support from partners like TPWD, All Water Guides, Texas River School and the hundreds of volunteers who have participated in cleanup activities on the Colorado River” said John Erskine, Board Chair of Cleanup the Colorado. “Our goal is to raise awareness of and appreciation for this wonderful resource. We are happy to support this Guadalupe bass prize giveaway so that more people get out and enjoy the river and the great fishing opportunities that exist so close to Austin. We believe that the more people who use the river the more they will be motivated to protect it and keep it clean!”

TPWD is also grateful for its partnership with the Texas River School located in East Austin. Not only does the Texas River School teach paddling skills and river ethics to youth and the underserved community, but they also provide public river access for paddling and fishing as a partner in TPWD’s leased river access program.

“Texas River School and the Chautauqua Foundation have always experienced great benefits working with TPWD and think the Guadalupe bass prize give-away is another wonderful opportunity to showcase our stretch of the Colorado River,” said Joe Kendall, Founder and Executive Director of the Texas River School. “Our access site is located about four miles downstream of the Montopolis Bridge in Austin, and the public access that we provide would not be available had it not been for

the support of TPWD. I cannot tell you how many times I have heard how great the fishing is along this portion of the Colorado, or even heard ‘I just caught my personal best!’”

Prize Give-Away Information: From February 4- August 31, any angler who catches one of 30 tagged Guadalupe bass from the Lower Colorado River near Austin and Smithville will be awarded a prize package and be entered into grand prize drawings at the end of the seven-month period.

Eligible Guadalupe bass are tagged with visual Floy anchor tags that read “Reward – Clip tag and call TPWD 512-754-6844.” Each tag has a unique ID number.

Guadalupe bass have been tagged by TPWD in the Colorado River at locations near Little Webberville Park (just east of Austin) and near the leased river access sites near Smithville. Anglers who catch an eligible Guadalupe bass should:

Take photos with the fish with the tag, preferably with the segment of river and habitat where the fish was caught in the background of the photo.

Clip the tag from the fish and take a photo of the tag legible enough for the tag number to be read. NOTE: DO NOT pull out the tag from the fish.

Call the number on the tag to report the tagged fish catch, claim a prize, and to be entered into the grand prize drawing. Anglers should be prepared to provide the tag number, submit photos of the catch, and describe where the fish was caught. Submitted photos will become property of TPWD and

may be used in social media or in Agency communications.

Gift packages containing a Yeti 18 oz bottle and a Buff will be awarded for each eligible tagged Guadalupe bass caught, and grand prizes include a half-day guided trip with All Water Guides, a Yeti Tundra Haul cooler, and complimentary canoe/camp site rental at the Texas River School.

“All Water Guides is proud to support TPWD efforts to bring attention to the Guadalupe bass, our state fish and a favorite freshwater species,” said Alvin Dedeaux, owner of All Water Guides. “The tagged Guadalupe bass competition on the Colorado River will highlight what a great urban fishery we have in our backyard. We hope that you will get out on the water and join the fun!”

The public can learn more details about the prize give-away program by visiting the official website.

To learn more about efforts to conserve Guadalupe bass or where to go fishing for this species, please visit TPWD’s Guadalupe Bass Restoration Initiative webpage, www.tpwd.texas.gov/conserveguadalupebass.

...Texas scholarships
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There are three high school scholarships available: Memorial/Honorary District Scholarship, Young Farmer & Rancher Scholarship and the Dick Mitchell Memorial Scholarship.

Enrolled college students can apply for four scholarships: Young Farmer & Rancher Scholarships for Enrolled

College Students, TFB S.M. True Jr. Agricultural Scholar Award, Mia Balko Student Teaching Scholarship and the Rural Veterinary Scholarship.

High school scholarships
Memorial/Honorary District scholarships are available to high school students who have not yet graduated. Thirty-nine \$1,000 scholarships and 13 \$1,500 scholarships are awarded annually on the district level.

Thirteen \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to high school students through the TFB Young Farmer & Rancher Scholarship based on academic achievement and the applicant’s desire to pursue a career in an agricultural-related field.

The TFB Dick Mitchell Scholarship, a \$1,000 award, is designated for one high school senior who completed the virtual Thrive Experience as part of TFB’s Student Success Series this summer.

Collegiate scholarships
The TFB Young Farmer & Rancher Enrolled College Student scholarship offers three \$2,000 scholarships to students pursuing an undergraduate degree in an agriculture major.

College students pursuing a degree in Agricultural Education can apply for the Mia Balko Student Teaching Scholarship. Four senior agricultural education students will receive scholarships each semester. The scholarships, valued at \$1,500, aim to help students cover expenses during their semester of off-campus student teaching. Students who will be student teaching off-campus in fall 2022 are encouraged to apply.

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2020 Ford Expedition Max Platinum \$66,900
Rapid Red w/Tan Leather! Navigation, Sunroof, & Rear Entertainment System! Only 26K Miles! #X626A

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White w/Tan Leather! Navigation, Sunroof, & Rear Entertainment System! Only 26K Miles! Beautiful Family Ride! #X569C

2019 Ford Expedition Max XLT 4WD \$50,500
White w/Tan Leather! Adaptive Cruise, Navigation, & Tow Package! 49K Miles! Great Family Ride! #X611A

2020 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 RST 4WD \$48,500
White w/Black Cloth! 271 Offroad Package! Only 32K Miles! In Great Shape! #X497A

2018 Ford Expedition XLT \$44,900
Silver w/Black Leather! New Body Style! Excellent Family Vehicle! 37K Miles! #X545A

2017 Ford F-150 King Ranch 4WD \$46,900
Blue w/Brown Accent & KR Leather! Navigation, Powered Running Boards, & Bed Liner! 60K Miles! Sharp Looking Truck! #7298B

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White w/Ttan Leather! Navigation, Heated/Cooled Seats, & 271 Offroad Package! Only 33K Miles! Good Looking Truck! #X599A

2019 Ford F-150 Lariat 4WD \$43,900
Silver Spruce w/Tan Leather! Navigation, Bed Liner, & Tow Package! Beautiful Truck! 59K Miles! #Y563A

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Black w/Black Cloth Seats! Double Cab! 4x2! Bed Liner & Tow Package! 37K Miles! #5671A

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White w/Leather! Navigation, Adaptive Cruise, & Power Lift Gate! 33K Miles! #7286M

2018 Ford Edge Titanium \$32,300
White w/Tan Leather! Heated/Cooled Seats, Sunroof, & Navigation! 26K Miles! Excellent Shape! #X615A

2017 Ford Explorer XLT \$25,500
Smoked Quartz w/Tan Leather! Navigation, Rear Bucket Seats & Power Liftgate! 90K Miles! Very Nice SUV! X501A

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