

# BLACKWELL SCHOOL NEWS



**Astronomy Students Earn Certificate of Accomplishment!** Bethany Breaux, Elizabeth Shults, and Cody Shamblin in the Astronomy class, recently earned Certificates of Accomplishment from the University of Edinburgh in Astrobiology. Cody scored sufficiently high on his exams over the material that his Certificate of Accomplishment was awarded "With Distinction".

## Basketball honors announced

The Blackwell Hornets and Lady Hornets each had a player named to the All District Honors teams. Mason Magness and Stephanie Metcalf were both named to the All District 2nd Team.

## BHS One Act Play continues to compete

The Blackwell High School One Act Play will be performed Friday, April 12, 2013, in Clyde for the Area Competition.

The cast and crew have garnered the following honors in competition this far: Bethaney Breaux All Star Cast; Elizabeth Rozzle All Star Cast; Elizabeth Shults All Star Cast; Leonor Castelo All Star Cast; Cody Shamblin Honorable Mention; and Brooklyn Harriss All Star Crew.

## BHS FFA Judging Teams results posted

Blackwell students are placing well in the FFA judging competitions. The Veterinarian Tech Team has qualified for the state competition. This team is comprised of Abby Gott, Karstin Hoyle, Audrey Mink, and Halee Sanderson.

Results are listed below.

### McLennan College meet

Entomology Team - 2nd overall  
Harrison Gott - 9th overall

### West Texas A&M University meet

Entomology Team - 2nd overall  
Harrison Gott - 2nd individual  
Veeda Jeter - 6th individual  
Cole Alley - 8th individual  
Land Team - 5th overall  
Wade Allen - 2nd individual

**Clarendon Meet**  
Entomology team - 3rd  
Cole Alley - 5th individual  
Harrison Gott - 9th individual  
Land team - 2nd  
Jayden Jones - 9th individual

**Valley ISD Meet**  
Entomology team - 3rd  
Cole Alley - 6th individual  
Land team - 2nd  
Jayden Jones - 2nd individual  
Franck Cano - 8th individual  
Wade Allen - 10th individual  
The Land and Entomology teams have upcoming qualification meets for state competition

## Water is Life Conference slated for April 18 at Sonora AgriLife Research station

The Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station at Sonora will conduct the "Water is Life Conference" from 8 am to 4 pm Thursday, April 18, at the station located on U.S. Highway 55-North between Sonora and Rocksprings.

"As the conference name implies, this program will deal with the future of groundwater not only in our crucial Edwards Aquifer region but across the entire state as well," said Dr. Charles "Butch" Taylor, the station's superintendent. "As our state's population continues to

boom, the need for this fast-dwindling precious resource for all living things grows. We hope this conference will offer some answers to looming questions and stimulate much needed grassroots involvement from our region's landowners.

"I expect there will be a lot of landowners at this conference. And if it doesn't rain a lot between now and the time of this meeting, we'll be right back in an extreme drought situation such as much of the state experienced in 2011."

Registration begins at 8 am and is followed by the program at 9 am.

The morning's topics and speakers will include:

- History of Water Law in Texas, Charles Porter, professor at St. Edwards University, Austin.
- Texas Water Law, Judon Fambrough, attorney with the Texas Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University, College Station.

- Hydrogeology of Edwards-Trinity Aquifer, Ron Green, scientist, geosciences and engineering division of Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio.

- Understanding the Hydrology of the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer, Jim Polonis, general manager, Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District, Sonora.

- Hydraulic Fracturing, Dean Prather, Halliburton,

Midland.

The afternoon topics and speakers will include:

- Long-term Rainfall Trends in Texas, Dr. John Walker, AgriLife Research director of research, San Angelo.

- Future of Groundwater Use in Texas, Lawrence French, director, Groundwater Resources Division, Texas Water Development Board, Austin.

- Understanding the Consequences of Drought, Taylor.

- Update on 83rd Legislation, Joe Morris, legislative consultant specializing in water, transportation, agriculture and real estate development issues, Austin.

- Weather Modification and Cloud Seeding, Jonathan Jennings, meteorologist, West Texas Weather Modification, San Angelo Regional Airport.

The day will conclude with a question-and-answer session and panel discussion comprised of the day's speakers.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered – one-half integrated pest management and 2.5 general.

Organizers urge those planning to attend to RSVP by April 15 to the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office in Sutton County at 325-387-3101. Organizers said there are currently no plans to charge for the meal or program.

## School Menu

### Breakfast

#### Monday, April 8

Pancakes or cereal, juice, milk

#### Tuesday, April 9

Breakfast burrito, salsa or cereal, juice, milk

#### Wednesday, April 10

Breakfast pizza or cereal, juice, milk

#### Thursday, April 11

Scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, gravy or cereal, juice, milk

#### Friday, April 12

Donuts/yogurt or cereal, juice, milk

### Lunch

#### Monday, April 8

Tangerine chicken, brown rice, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, snowball salad, milk

#### Tuesday, April 9

Hamburger, hamburger garnish, potato rounds, western beans, diced pears, milk

#### Wednesday, April 10

Tex-mex stack, Spanish rice, refried beans, garden salad, salsa, hot cinnamon apples, milk

#### Thursday, April 11

Stuffed BBQ potato, baby carrots, Texas toast, fresh fruit bowl, milk

#### Friday, April 12

Chicken parmesan, savory green beans, garden salad, fresh apple slices, breadstick, milk

APRIL 16th 10:00am~6:00pm



2013-14 Pre-Registration



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Head Start

The Concho Valley Council of Governments Rural Head Start program offers quality Early Childhood Education at *no cost* to 3 and 4 year olds. Head Start provides individualized care and guidance to all eligible children, including those with disabilities. Each child in Head Start is considered a unique person with previous experiences, current needs, and potential for future growth. The Head Start approach is well suited to helping children with physical, mental, or emotional disabilities as well as children with severe disabilities.

Note: Head Start does NOT provide transportation.

### WHAT TO BRING:

PROOF OF ALL HOUSEHOLD INCOME(1040/W2, TANF, SSI, Social Security child support, check stubs, unemployment, Veterans benefits etc.)  
Child's Birth Certificate  
Child's Shot Record  
Food Stamp Case Number (if applicable)  
Proof of Medicaid, CHIP or Private Health Insurance (if applicable)  
Legal Documents (if applicable)

### Just a peek at what we offer:

- Individualized Early Childhood Education in a structured environment
- Highly qualified and dedicated teachers
- Specialized services for children with a disability
- Personalized family support services
- Nutritious meals & snack

### LOCATION OF PRE-REGISTRATION:

ROBERT LEE HEAD START  
820 COMMERCE ST.

For more information, please contact Joy Malone at 325-453-2536 or Ofelia Barron at 325-944-9666.

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