



Advantage Academy Monthly

Happy 2010 Advantage Academy Parents and Students!

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Concerns or Suggestions

Please go directly to the person involved or address your concern online:

InfoAAWax@eaisd.org

See page 23 in your handbook.

Teacher Appreciation

Breakfast Thursday 28th

Please bring breakfast foods and drinks!!!!!!!!!!!!

Student of the Month



Emily Smith

Great Job Emily! Keep up the good work!

I believe this will be a victorious year! In my experience, victory requires **positive attitudes, faith, vigilance and persistence**; in other words, it takes commitment and diligence! Your faculty and staff at Advantage Academy in Waxahachie are already actively involved in doing these things, and we need your partnership in doing the same. Student commitment to getting adequate rest, eating properly, completing their homework, and turning each assignment in on time is essential to this victory.

Though we would all like to avoid disagreements, whenever we have 400 people in one building laboring toward specific and rigorous goals, it is inevitable that offenses will happen.

Please look for and expect the best, and when you have a concern, please seek the full story from the teachers or administration. Please communicate in a way that seeks a peaceful and productive solution. Ultimately, we are on the same team, and we are working for the same goal—your child’s success wherever they are called. When we co-labor, we see victory.

We welcome Karen Jones back to the Music Department, David Birge to the HS Math Department, Grace Gregory to the Content Mastery Department, Laura Hauska and Monica Gordon to Math and TAKS tutoring, and Andrew Amaro as Discipline Coordinator.

To help our students prepare for TAKS we began Saturday School on January 9. Students and teachers enjoyed the individual attention and the opportunity to address specific questions. Advantage Academy will offer Saturday School again on January 23 and on two Saturdays each in February and March. There is no cost, and students who did not pass TAKS last year are required to attend. We highly recommend Saturday school for any student who has a 75 or below in a core class or for those who would like individual help. During the school day, we have also increased math drills, labs, and TAKS tutoring in 3rd grade through high school to address specific student needs.

Many thanks to our PTO and to all our parents who supported our Christmas programs and the Christmas store. PTO treated your teachers to a beautiful lunch, and in collaboration with the church and district, they have renovated the gym restrooms with new fixtures, painting and doors. We are so appreciative to the wonderful parents who find ways to make the Advantage Academy a victorious and successful atmosphere for our students.

Sincerely,

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January School Events

Our Mission

Our mission is to educate children in an academic character-based environment of excellence and cultural diversity partnering with parents, churches and businesses. We are dedicated to inspiring students to be productive and successful champions by offering them a future and a hope through innovative instruction using technology and quality resources.



Who to Contact

Secondary School - Sheila Blalack
Elementary School—Rhonda Roberts



You can still order decals. Please email askipper@ypo.org for order form. \$10 per decal.

An illustration of a female teacher with brown hair, wearing a light green short-sleeved shirt and a dark brown skirt, standing next to a green chalkboard. She has her hand on her hip and is looking towards the board.

22nd Report Cards
23rd Saturday School (9am - noon)
28th Cici's Night 5-9pm
26th Benchmark Testing

February

5th D.E.A.R. Day
6th Saturday School (9am—noon)
15th STUDENT HOLIDAY/Staff Development
16th Ellis Co. Spelling Bee
20th Saturday School (9am—noon)
24th Six Flags Reading Club Form Deadline (K-5th)
25th Cici's Night 5-9pm (tell them your school)
26th Early Release

Saturday School

Saturday school is highly encouraged especially for those studying for TAKS or who are challenged in any regular studies. A great opportunity for our children! For those who did not pass TAKS last year this will be a requirement.

January - 23rd

February - 6th and 20th

March - 6th and 27th

April - 10th and 24th (tentative)

UPDATES/REMINDERS

1. Visit website - WWW.ADVANTAGEISD.COM (Go to Waxahachie campus)
2. Library fines are 5 cents per book if turned in late.
3. PTO project is COMPLETE. Please stop by the gym restrooms and check them out! This is what a portion of your fundraiser \$ went towards. (toilets were fixed and replaced, cabinets were removed, doors were fixed, walls were painted, floors were painted, and many more updates)
4. Remember, jeans on Friday are \$1.00 and this goes towards our Soaring Eagles.
5. Light Up the Library all February. Boxes will be placed at entrances. Please donate books!!!

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