

AREA CHAMPS



Tiger Times

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THE ONLINE NEWSLETTER FOR GUNTER ISD

General Information

GISD Website: <https://www.gunterisd.org>

Elementary School

Buses Drop Off: 7:05-7:10 AM
Car Line Time Frame: 7:10-7:40 AM
Tardy Bell: 7:45 AM
Bus Departure: 3:15 PM
Car Line Begins: 3:15 PM
Building Closes to Public: 4:00 PM

Middle School

Arrival Time Frame: 7:45-8:00 AM
Tardy Bell: 8:10
School Day Ends: 3:45 PM

High School

Arrival Time Frame: 7:45-8:00 AM
Tardy Bell: 8:10
School Day Ends: 3:45 PM

Cafeteria

You will absolutely love our cafeteria staff. They take pride in student service and tasty food! Mrs. Rogers will post the monthly menus on the website and the GISD App for you to view.

[MySchoolBucks](#) allows you to create an account and add money for your child to purchase food from the cafeteria. In this account, you can find the balance as well as a summary of what they are purchasing.

If you have questions about the cafeteria or MySchoolBucks, direct those questions to the Director of Food Services, Lauren Rogers (lrogers@gunterisd.org)

Medical Care

Each campus has a qualified nurse to assist students with medical needs that arise during school hours. If you have questions, please contact the appropriate nurse:

GES - Laura Rodgers (lrogers@gunterisd.org)

GMS - Nikki Thomas (nthomas@gunterisd.org)

GHS - Casey Layman (clayman@gunterisd.org)

Parent Portal

Ascender Parent Portal allows the parent to view posted grades and attendance. You will need a Portal ID to sign up and may obtain that from the campus PEIMS clerk. When making your account, it is important to use the email address you provided the district at registration. This is a security feature to only provide information to people who have been named as a contact in the child's profile.

Important REMINDERS

- March 2 - Parent Meeting for Cheer Tryouts
- March 7 - MS & HS Cheer Clinic Begins
- March 11 - Cheer Tryouts
- March 13 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 14-18 - Spring Break
- March 21 - Board Meeting
- March 23 - Town Hall Meeting
- March 24 - Winter Choir Concert

On the Cover: Lady Tigers hoist the Area Championship trophy in the air.
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Great opportunity for students to obtain their volunteer hours!

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GISD Bond INFORMATION

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

The last day to register is **April 7th**
for the May General election.

Register to vote or
update your registration at

VOTETEXAS.GOV



BOND INFORMATION WEBSITE

WHERE

You will find a link to the bond website on
our district home page at www.gunterisd.org

WHY?

A "one stop shop" to answer all of
your questions about the bond.



Notice: The GISD Board of Education has called a bond election to be held on May 7th, 2022. The bond package is designed to accommodate the growth in our district and plan for the future.

The key areas of focus in the bond include a new elementary school, land purchase for a future high school, additions to the middle school that will include a full size gym and dining area, and additions to the high school that will include more classrooms and expansions to the locker rooms and Fine Arts program.

Other district wide improvements include addressing the drainage deficiencies at the softball field and along Tiger Lane, as well as a roof replacement at the high school.

TOWN HALL MEETING

WHEN & WHERE

Wednesday, March 2nd | 6:00 PM

Gunter Middle School

WHY?

To learn more about the GISD Bond
and what it means for you, your
students, and the Gunter Community



EARLY VOTING APRIL 25TH - MAY 3RD

Where:

Grayson County College in Van Alstyne
and other locations in Grayson County.

ELECTION DAY MAY 7TH

Click here for more information on voting in Texas:

<https://www.votetexas.gov/voting/index.html>

DON'T FORGET

Spring Break March 14-18

Thank You!



Thank you to the Gunter High School PTO and Cody Paxton from State Farm for surprising our teachers with a table full of goodies for Valentine's Day.



Thank you to our GMS PTO and donors for bringing Kristi Lynn Boutwell and Shari Meyerdirk to do massages for our GMS staff!



Thank you GES PTO and donors for providing a Chick FIL A breakfast and a well deserved chair massage for each staff member. Thank you to Kristi, Amy, and Shari for spending the day pampering them!



A big thank you Debbie Elam Howard Realty Group for sponsoring and providing an amazing "Taco Twosday" lunch and special goodies for the Gunter Elementary teachers and staff!



Thank you, Kirk Johnson, from Horace Mann for supplying the staff's favorite Sonic drinks for the high school faculty.

It was a great surprise and very much appreciated!



Year of the Tiger Lunch

It's always the "Year of the Tiger" in Gunter, but our cafeterias celebrated the Chinese Year of the Tiger with some yummy Chinese food and decor! We love our cafeteria staff. Thank you for all you do to make our students happy at school!



The Daddy Daughter Dance sponsored by GIFT was a great success! All the cuteness in the world was right here in our GHS Commons. There is nothing more special than the bond between a daddy and his daughter!

If you attended and want to order photos from Cast Iron Photography, you can order them from this link: <https://tinyurl.com/castironphotos> The password to enter the site is gotigers

Don't forget!

JUNIOR/SENIOR PROM Final Payment is Past Due!

If you have not made your payments, check with Mrs. Ruffle for your balance, and then click the link to the right to pay.

[Please click here to submit prom info and purchase tickets.](#)

Gunter Elementary School

SNEAK PEEK



Dressing for Success! These students came to school "wearing their future" during College & Career Week.



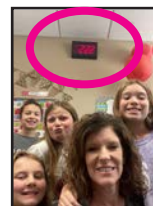
100 Day Celebration

"Twosday" (2/2/22) we celebrated our 100th day of school. Some elementary students (and teachers) showed us how they have aged in the past 100 days while others counted 100 objects to either stack, color, line up or eat. We even had some fashionable shirts commemorating the day!



TWOSDAY 2-22-22

GES celebrated this day with tu-tu's, photo ops and a dance party at 2:22 PM.



GES Students of the Month

We celebrated our students of the months today for the month of February!
All these Gunter Tigers represent **hard work and kindness**.



Kindergarten: Aiden Waltz

1st: Maverick Gibbs

2nd: Luis Mendoza

3rd: Ella Quillen

4th: Brynn Breeding



Kindergarten students learned about voting during their classroom elections.

Congratulations to the President and Vice President of each class!

Mrs. Keel's Class

- President - Owen Dorcey
- VP - Caroline Wilson

Mrs. Fielding's Class

- President - Emma Johnson
- VP - Kael Sheridan

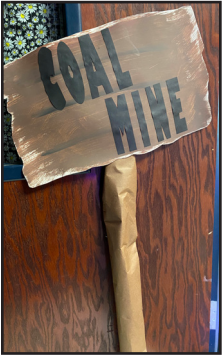
Mrs. Dorcey's Class

- President - Cade Henry
- VP - Aiden Rodriguez

Mrs. Cooke's Class

- President - Whitten Milsap
- VP - Hadley Watson

Gunter Middle School SNEAK PEEK



Trapped? ... or not...

6th grade scientists in Mrs. Morrison's class were trapped in a "coal mine" and had to use their knowledge of natural resources to escape. With an awesome teacher, along with students who pay attention, they solved all of the clues to escape!



Starbooks

Reading opens up a world of opportunity! 5th graders in Mrs. Schroeter's class participated in a nonfiction book tasting in the library. They sampled informational books, biographies, autobiographies, and memoirs. They enjoyed muffins and hot chocolate while they sipped, tasted, and read nonfiction.



Senior, Alyssa Tarpley was asked to the Middle School dance by Finn Pines, and she gladly took him up on the offer!



Making Prints

Mrs. Harden's middle school art students had fun doing printmaking in the Art Studio. Students created their own designs by carving into Styrofoam and designing a series of prints. They really stretched their creative muscles in this project; learning through trial, error, and problem solving to complete their amazing designs!



GMS Spelling Bee Winner, Rebecca Wallis and Alternate Matilda Miller, represented Gunter with grace at the Grayson County Regional Spelling Bee. Rebecca did a great job making it through 7 rounds out of 12! She came in fifth overall and got to enjoy a cookie afterward. It was a great experience for them both!



Study is the “Operative Word”

Learning how to study is a valuable skill students can take with them to college or trade school. 5th graders in Mrs. Schroeter's class used their reading skills to save the patient in the game of Operation. To prepare for a test, students had to correctly answer a question over nonfiction text features. Only correct answers allowed them to operate on the patient. Study skills like this will help the students “remove butterflies from their stomach” each and every time they take a test in the future.



The 5th Grade Living Museum is back, and we were so excited to see it return. 2020's pandemic had put a hold on this project for 2 years, and it was definitely missed .

These students rocked their role as each was tapped on the shoulder to present all the facts about who or what they represented in the museum. Thank you to the family members who came to listen and learn from all of these fabulous 5th graders.



GMS Students of the Month

5th Grade Student: Krissah O'Brien
Activities: Softball, Basketball
Favorite Subject: Math
Hobby: Play with friends
Favorite Musician: Cody Jenks
Future Ambition: Attend University of Iowa



7th Grade Student: Alayna Linan
Activities: Basketball
Favorite Subject: Math
Hobby: Drawing
Favorite Musician: Kevin Gates
Future Ambition: Travel the World

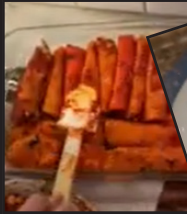
6th Grade Student: Paxton Graves
Activities: Volleyball, STUCO, Softball
Favorite Subject: Math
Hobby: Art, Painting, Dogs
Favorite Musician: Luke Combs
Future Ambition: Become a Nurse



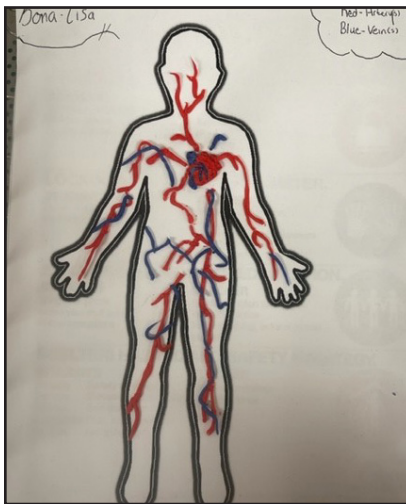
8th Grade Student: Luzcero Escalera
Activities: Volleyball, Track, Choir
Favorite Subject: English
Hobby: Hang out with friends.
Favorite Musician: Grupo Firme
Future Ambition: Travel the World

Gunter High School SNEAK PEEK

Enchiladas Rojas (Red Enchiladas) a main dish of Mexico was on the menu in Coach Castorena's Spanish 3 class. The students were tasked to create a presentation on how to create this dish from shopping, to preparing, to eating. Some chose to do a slide presentation, others chose a video. It was fun to watch the students go through the process of cooking the enchiladas. The skills varied, which made it even more entertaining, but they all learned that they CAN cook! All of the students did an amazing job, and you can tell by the pictures that their food was tasty!



Photos captured from projects



Nurse Layman's students in Principles of Health Science class studied the Cardiovascular System, focusing on the structures of the heart and how the blood flows through the heart and to the body. Drawing and creating models are hands on experiences that allow the students to actually visualize the concept.

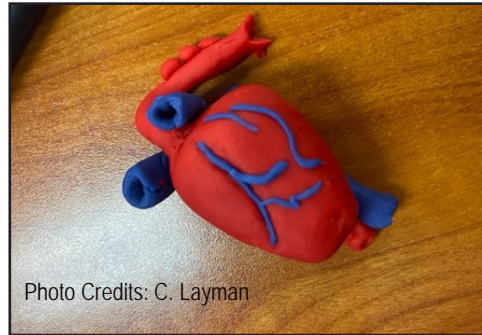
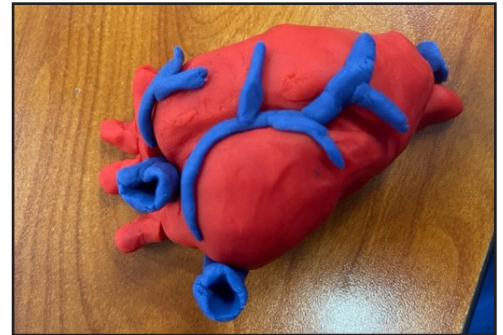
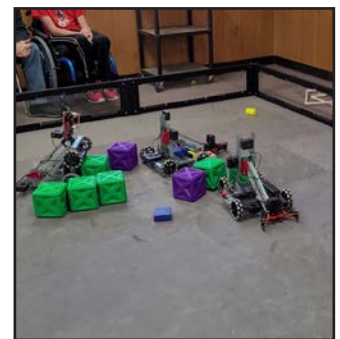
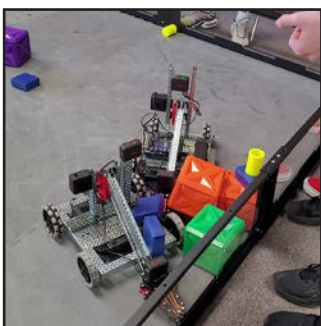


Photo Credits: C. Layman



Mrs. Foster's GHS Robotics class has had some fun lately. They are building robots from VEX kits and challenging each other. The last challenge the students had was to pick up and/or move objects. Each object had point values and these points were awarded to the team depending on the piece the robot was able to get back to its home base. More points were awarded for actually being able to pick up an object and placing it in a specified area. To pick up an object the students had to build manipulators (arms and claws) which is not always an easy task! Mrs. Foster said, "It was interesting to watch the students build their robots, test it out and decide to change something. I think more is learned from hands on and trial and error rather than just being told what to do. Out of the box thinking is good!" Students seem to have fun as well. During this last challenge, the students were having fun during the robotic run and telling their driver what piece to get in order to earn more points. The next challenge – bumper bots!



What's Happening in AG & FFA?

It's SHOW TIME!

San Angelo Ag Mechanics Show

- Brody McDonald (Forged Knife) 3rd Place | Blue Ribbon

Judson FFA Invitational and San Antonio Livestock Exposition

- Gunter Wool Judging Team 6th Place (of 10) | 13th (of 43) at the sale

AMSA South Plains Youth Judging Contest

- Team 1 (Avery Diers, Jacob Krupa, Ava McComb, and Colton Moore) 3rd Place
- Team 2 (Brayden Fortune, Barrett Johnson, and Allie Waltz) 5th Place

San Angelo Stock Show

- Logan May's Netherland Dwarf Senior Doe 1st Place Division | Reserve Grand Champion of Breed

James Madison Floral Evening CDE Contest

- Floral Team 8th Place

San Antonio Stock Show

- Floral Team 11th Place
- Aubrey Duarte - 1004 Points - Team high score (Personal best)

White Oak Floral Competition

- Floral Team - 1st Place
- Individual (Malison 1st, Breanna 2nd, Aubrey 8th, Bella 10th)

In Preparation for Competitions

- Logan May and Jaxen Applewhite entered their rabbits in the Jr. Showmanship at San Angelo and got great feedback from the judges.
- The Wildlife team learned about quail, trees, grasses, briars and shrubs from Denise Willard, who is a long time resident of Gunter and FFA supporter.
- FFA poultry judging team traveled to the East Central and San Antonio Stock Show and learned a great deal for future contests.
- The livestock, wool, wildlife, and meats teams all competed at the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo and learned some skills to use in future contests.



* All Texoma Stock Show (Loy Lake) awards will be posted in the March Newsletter

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LEARNING TO DO, DOING TO LEARN, EARNING TO LIVE, LIVING TO SERVE

Gunter Middle & High School FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

Art Student Recognition

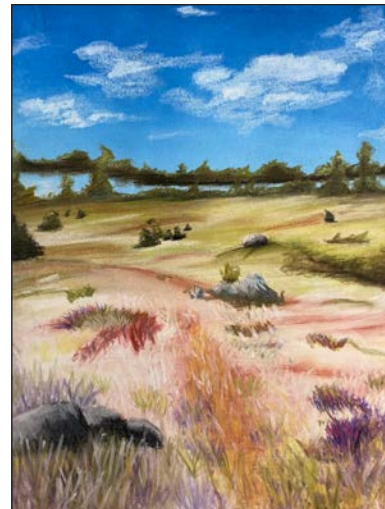


We are excited to announce that two Gunter students were selected to have their artwork represent Gunter ISD in the Youth Art Month competition for the Texas Art Education Association (TAEA).

Special congratulations to Alexis Marks. Her artwork will be displayed at our Texas State Capitol building for the month of March. Her work is one of 100 entries chosen from across the state!



(Above) Layeton Ingram - 6th Grade - "A Perfect View"
(Right) Alexis Marks - 11th Grade - "Happy Place"



State Bound

Eight Gunter Choir students have qualified for the **State UIL Solo & Ensemble Contest**. Congratulations to: Alayna Jeffs, Tiana Jeffs, Adelie Brackeen, Bianca Mercado, Paige Daniel (not pictured), Avery Parrish, Erin Seiberling, (Jackson Rue – Voice AND Piano)



Congratulations also to:

- Ella Johnson - 2 on a Class 1 Solo
- Burkleigh Coats - 1 on a Class 2 Solo



Choir Recital

Come out and join us for an evening of Love Songs as Avery Parrish, Ella Johnson, and the Choir present their Mid-Winter Recital. Admission is free and open to the public!

Wednesday, March 9th | 7:00PM
GHS Commons

We hope to see you there!

TRY THE INSTRUMENT NIGHT



5th grade students were given the opportunity to visit the band hall and try out some or all of the instruments.

This opportunity gave each student the chance to visit with Mrs. Katz and Mr. Kennedy and to find the perfect instrument to play in the Gunter Middle School Band if they choose to join.

You've seen her on the SIDELINE!

Sports Medicine Competitor Advances to STATE

Can you answer this question?

Which vitamin is essential for the metabolism of carbohydrates and some amino acids, maintenance of normal appetite, and functioning of the nervous system?

- A. Ascorbic acid
- B. Niacin
- C. Riboflavin
- D. Thiamine

We are confident that **Kamber Puebla** can answer the question. She is headed to **STATE** in the Sports Medicine HOSA Competition!

This competitive event consists of two rounds:

- 1) A written, multiple choice test
- 2) Skills assessment.

Only the top scoring competitors advance to the 2nd round. Students who compete in this event must know about injury prevention, therapeutic intervention and immediate care.

After placing 2nd in the Area competition, Kamber is headed to State!



Spring Sports Gearing Up!

The baseball, softball, and track seasons are just getting started!

All games are posted on our Event Calendar on the GSD website, come on out and support these athletes.

** Spring weather is unpredictable, watch social media and the event calendar for schedule changes.

2/19 vs Bonham	4-10	Loss
2/19 vs Grand Prairie	9-1	Win
2/19 vs Turner	17-2	Win
2/18 vs Grapevine Faith Christian	7-6	Loss
2/18 vs Bishop	2-5	Loss
2/17 vs Highland Park	5-4	Win
2/15 vs Ponder	21-6	Win



2/14 vs Melissa	5-7	Loss
2/19 vs Sherman	9-3	Win
2/25 vs Anna	5-1	Win
2/26 vs Anna	8-5	Win



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New for the 2022 Football Season

- Sub-varsity** football game gate price will be **\$3.00 for ALL**, student and adult.
- Varsity** game gate price will be **\$5.00 for ALL**, student and adult.

Lady Tiger BASKETBALL



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AWESOME SEASON!

- Alyssa Tarpley - Co-District MVP, Academic All District
- Blakely Esnard - Co-District MVP, Academic All District
- Rhyann Pogue - 1st Team, Academic All District
- Lindsay Esnard - 1st Team, Academic All District
- Kinley Johnson - Newcomer of the Year, Academic All District



Photo Credits: OurGunter



February Scoreboard:

Girls Varsity Basketball
Overall Record: 27-9
13-1 - District

Regional Quarterfinal FINALISTS

2/22 vs Edgewood 39-45 LOSS

Area CHAMPIONS

2/18 vs Whitesboro 52-26 WIN

Bi-District CHAMPIONS

2/14 vs Rains 39-19 WIN

2/8 vs Whitewright 39-37 WIN

2/4 vs Leonard 45-30 WIN

2/1 vs Howe 67-15 WIN

Girls JV Basketball

Feb. 1 – Howe (W)

Feb. 4 – Leonard (W)

Feb. 8 – Whitewright (W)

District Record: 10-3

Middle School Basketball

MS District Tournament Results:

7A - vs Bells - lost a hard-fought game, 29-34.

They had a great season, this group of young ladies improved each week they took the court. Coach Morgan is looking forward to a great 8th grade season!

8A

vs Blue Ridge - Won, 44-0

vs Howe - Won, 46-10

vs Bells, Championship Game - Won, 44-16

Congratulations 8th grade! District Champions!



Tiger BASKETBALL

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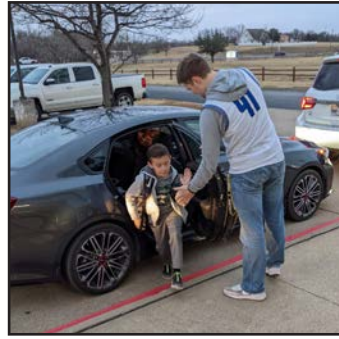
February Scoreboard:

Boys Varsity Basketball Record 21-11

2/1 vs Howe 30-33 Loss
2/4 vs Leonard 41-53 Loss
2/8 vs Whitewright 55-37 Win
2/11 vs Blue Ridge 59-57 Win
2/15 vs Bells 56-50 Win



Players helped in the GES car line, and the students LOVED it!



JV Boys Basketball

JV Blue

Vs. Howe - Won
Vs. Whitewright - Won
Vs. Blue Ridge - Won
Vs. Bells - Won

JV White

Vs. Howe - Won
Vs. Blue Ridge - Loss
Vs. Bells - Won



Photo Credits: OurGunter

Senior Night



Senior Spotlight



Middle School Basketball

7th Grade

District
2nd Place



Tiger TENNIS

Princeton - 5A & Below Tennis Tournament (9 Area Teams Represented)

Photo Credits: Coach Watson

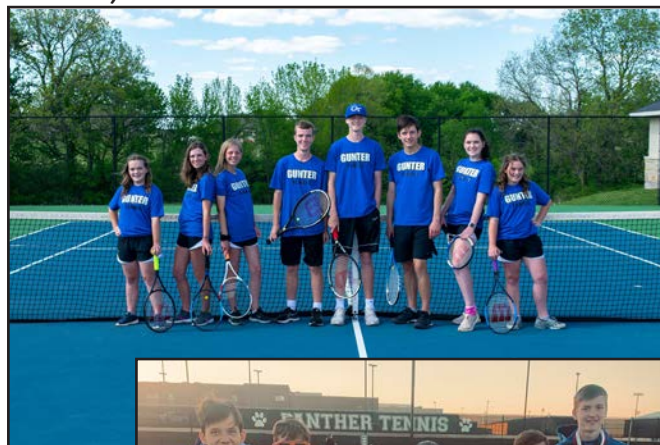
11 Medals Won - Gunter wins Most Overall

Group A Results

- Parker Hoel (Boy's Singles) - 2nd Place
- Caroline Marshall (Girl's Singles) - 2nd Place
- Tiana & Alayna Jeffs (Girl's Doubles) - 2nd Place
- Jaxson Rue & Jake Tackett (Boy's Doubles) - 1st Place - Consolation

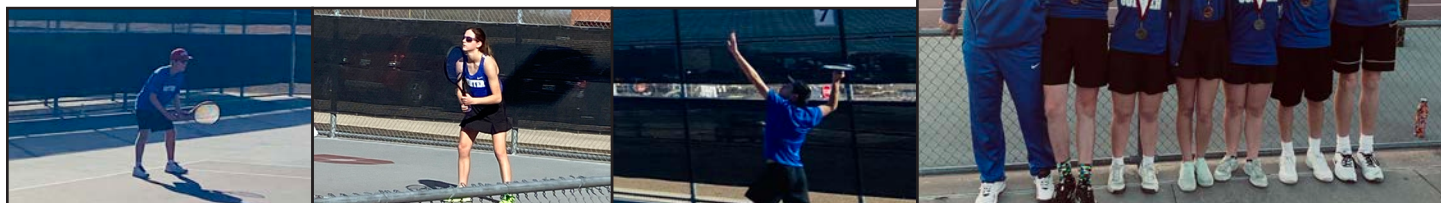
Group B Results

- Paige Yosten (Girl's Singles) - 3rd Place
- Sophia Mendoza & Audrey Curtis (Girl's Doubles) - 1st Place - Consolation
- Mason Jeffs & Luke Wilde (Boy's Doubles) - 1st Place - Consolation



Sanger Tennis Tournament

- Tiana & Alayna Jeffs (Girl's Doubles) - 2nd Place
- Parker Hoel (Boy's Singles) - 2nd Place
- Sophia Mendoza & Audrey Curtis (Girl's Doubles) - 3rd Place



Tiger GOLF

Feb. 10 - Wylie Invitational

- Nathan Nelson 6th Place

Feb. 15 Ride the Ranch Spring Invitational

- Kailey Tokarz 1st Place
- Nathan Nelson 7th Place (not pictured)

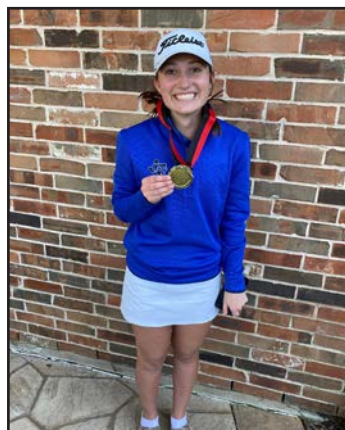


Photo Credits: Coach Bates

Tiger WRESTLING



Gunter Wrestling had a GREAT SEASON!

2/2 - District Meet

3rd place - Bennet Fady - Advanced to Regionals
 4th place - Grace King - Advanced to Regionals
 4th place - Nick Bullard - Advanced to Regionals
 4th place - Roy George - Advanced to Regionals
 Alternate to Regionals: Courtney George

Cheerleading EOY FUN AND TRYOUTS



The JV and Varsity Cheerleaders celebrated their 2021-22 season with an end of the year banquet. They indulged in a meal, received honors and awards throughout the evening and enjoyed reminiscing about the year's successes.

Photo Credits: R. Standerfer

The squad is gearing up for tryouts that are coming up on March 11th at 1 PM. Tryouts at Gunter are closed; no parents or friends will be allowed to remain in the building. All levels will try out during that day (MS, JV and Varsity).

The days prior to the actual tryout are reserved for the clinic. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Standerfer at rstanderfer@gunterisd.org (JV and Varsity) | Whitney Keel at wkeel@gunterisd.org (Middle School).

Special OLYMPICS

The Gunter Middle School Tigers attended the Van Alstyne Special Olympics Basketball Skills Meet and won the following medals:

- Tollie Ferguson - Bronze
- Ayden Perez - Silver
- Raiden Snider - Silver
- Noah Wade - Gold
- ZZ Harris - Silver
- Janelle Ochoa - Silver
- Finnley Pines - Silver
- Josh Loftice - Silver
- Brylie Krapf-Flynn - Gold



Photo Credits: April Loewen and Coach Bates

Special thanks to our PALS students for cheering on and assisting the students who participate in the events.

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>  </div>		1 MS Track Meet @ Whitesboro 5p Softball @ Gunter vs Bonham World Compliment Day	2 6:30p Parent Meeting for Cheer Try-Outs - MS Cafeteria	3 JV/V Track Meet @ Whitesboro	4 Tennis Tournament @ Melissa	5
				Baseball Tournament @ Aubrey JV Baseball Tournament @ Ponder Softball Tourn @ Burnet		
6	7 3:45p MS & HS Cheer Clinic	8 3:45p MS & HS Cheer Clinic MS Track Meet @ Van Alstyne 5p Softball @ Pottsboro	9 3:45p MS & HS Cheer Clinic B&G Golf Tournament @ Gainesville Municipal 7p Choir Recital	10 3:45p MS & HS Cheer Clinic JV/V Track Meet @ Van Alstyne	11 1p MS & HS Cheer Tryouts End 3rd 9 Week Grading Period Early Release (Spring Break)	12 11a Softball @ Howe
				Baseball Tournament @ Windthorst JV Baseball Tournament @ Sherman Softball Tourn @ Burnet		
13 <div>  <p>Time to Spring Ahead</p> </div> Daylight Savings Day	14 V Golf Tournament @ The Bridges	15 4:30p JV Baseball @ Gunter vs Bonham 7:30p V Baseball @ Gunter vs Bonham	16	17 Choir students leave for Anaheim trip <div>  <p>St. Patrick's Day</p> </div>	18 Tennis Tournament @ Princeton 11a Softball @ Gunter vs Leonard 4:30p JV Baseball @ Bonham 7:30p V Baseball @ Bonham	19
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20	21 Begin 4th 9-Week Grading Period 6p Board Meeting	22 MS Track Meet @ Pottsboro 4:30p JV Baseball @ Gunter vs Pottsboro 5p Softball @ Whitewright 7:30p V Baseball @ Gunter vs Pottsboro	23 B&G Golf Tournament @ Tanglewood Golf Course 6p Bond Town Hall Meeting	24 JV/V Track Meet @ Pottsboro 7p Mid Winter Choir Concert	25 Track Meet- Texas Relays (Qualifiers) @ UTA 4:30p JV Baseball @ Pottsboro 6p V Softball @ Blue Ridge 7:30p V Baseball @ Pottsboro	26 11a JV Baseball @ Aubrey
27	28 MS Track Meet @ Gunter	29 4:30p JV Baseball @ Gunter vs Howe 5p Softball @ Gunter vs Bells 7:30p V Baseball @ Gunter vs Howe <div>  </div>	30	31 HS Track Meet @ Gunter		