



REAGAN REVIEW

RONALD REAGAN HIGH SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER

Bill Boyd, Principal

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Lana Speck, PTA President

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The following is an excerpt from the presentation presented to all parents who attended the STAAR meeting at Reagan in January. This is especially important for all parents of ninth (9) grade and younger students.



STAAR is a new statewide testing system that will replace the TAKS test.

While designed to test students' knowledge and skills in a deeper way, STAAR will continue to be based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills – known as the TEKS. The TEKS outline by grade level and subject the content and skills that students' should master.

STAAR tests will be administered for grades 3 through 8 and subject-area STAAR End-of-Course exams for high school-level courses. Texas schools will begin the transition to STAAR in the 2011-2012 school year.

The most dramatic changes in STAAR will occur at the high school level. Incoming high school students will be assessed with 12 end-of-course exams, also known as EOCs. Students will take the EOC for courses in which they are enrolled. Please note that the English EOC will actually have separate reading and writing components—making the actual number 15 tests. These EOCs play an important role in high school graduation requirements.

As previously mentioned, high school students who entered before this year fall under TAKS. However they may be selected to participate in an EOC field test for courses in which they are enrolled.

The STAAR assessments will be more rigorous than previous state tests in several ways, one being more test questions. Like other college readiness tests, such as the

SAT, STAAR EOC tests will be timed. Students taking STAAR tests will have a four-hour time limit. STAAR will include new graduation requirements for first time ninth-grade students in 2011-2012 and thereafter. Under TAKS, students only had to pass four exit-level tests to graduate. Under STAAR, students will be asked to pass up to 12 EOCs.

Our common goal is to ensure your student graduates high school on time. You should stay current on where your student is now on the EOC journey and ask questions along the way.

And we will make recommendations to help your student succeed.

Additional information, videos and resources are available at www.neisd.net/staar

As you can see with the implementation of STAAR, a lot of changes will be occurring that we will all have to stay current on. We will continue to keep you up-to-date on these developments. If you have not been able to attend any of the STAAR meetings, please go to the above website and check out the information.

This is the busy time of year with many activities going on! Baseball, softball, wrestling, swimming, soccer, cheer, dance, fine arts and track are just a few to mention. This paired with all of our academics makes for a very busy student! It is important that all students dedicate the appropriate amount of time for studies each night. We ask your help to keep our students studying to keep up with everything.

We have been meeting our goal of 97% or better student attendance this year and want to continue to meet this goal. One area that has been somewhat of a problem is students getting to school on time in the mornings. Class starts at 8:45 AM. If a student arrives at 8:50, they are counted absent to that first period class, so please encourage them to leave home early enough to get through all of the traffic and get to school on time.

Sincerely,

Bill Boyd

PTA News

By: Ms. Lana Speck, PTA President
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Happy 2012! This is going to be a great year at Reagan High School. I want to thank all the PTA Executive Board members for all their hard work in 2011. We have a wonderful board that put in many hours to keep all the various programs running smoothly. Each person on the board has unique talents and capabilities which shine through in all they do.

The first general PTA meeting of 2012 will be held on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM. This will be our annual College Night. The RRHS Counselors will be available to answer any questions you may have about preparing your child for college, scholarships, financial aide, etc. There will also be representatives from various colleges and universities to meet with you and answer questions you may have regarding their programs. During this meeting we will elect our Nominating Committee that will select a slate of officers for 2012-2013. The slate will be voted on at our General Meeting in April. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the College Night program.

The highest honors the PTA can bestow are our Life Members and Extended Service Awards. We are honored to announce this year's recipients. Texas Life Members are Adam Hartman, Deb Hartman, Cindy Tello, Cyndi Bush, Diana Medell, Kelly Watts, Allison Daniel and Jennifer Jennings. I was surprised to receive a National Life Member Award. Congratulations to these outstanding individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of our children. They will be honored at the North East Council of PTA's Founders' Day Banquet on February 12th. Thank you to Shonna Jones, our PTA Life Member Chair and her committee for their efforts in selecting our honorees.

PTA is working on our annual PROJECT GRADUATION celebration to be held immediately

following graduation. If you are interested in helping with or donating to the event, please contact Deb Hartman or Kelly Watts. Deb will be announcing the next meeting soon. She needs lots of volunteers, so if you have a senior – please join us!

I hope you are reading this newsletter by going to the our website and locating it there. You should be receiving an email telling you when a new newsletter is available online. If you have not become familiar with our website, please visit us at www.ronaldreaganpta.org to find all the latest information happenings at our school. You will also find links to various campus organizations. You can contact me through the website or call me at 481-3010. Reagan has wonderful parents, students, faculty and staff who work together to create the best learning environment for our students. Let us know if we can help you in any way. See you on February 21st!

Lana Speck

RRHS PTA President

Go Rattlers!



ATTENTION SENIORS!!!

By Yvonne Moody

The 2012 PTA Scholarship is now available! We will award seven (7) \$1,000 scholarships this year to members of the Class of 2012. Scholarships will be awarded based on service and volunteerism in the community and school. Applications are available in the Counseling Office and on the RHS Counseling web page as well as the PTA web page. Applicants must be members of the PTA to apply. The deadline for applications is 4:00pm on Friday, March 2. Interviews will take place the week after Spring Break. If you have any questions about the scholarship or the application, contact Yvonne Moody at 481-3530 or yrmoody@aol.com.

PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (PVSA)



➡ Important DATES:

- THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING HOURS IS **March 19, 2012**. No exceptions. You can predict any future hours that will be performed between March 19 and April 30, 2012.
- Mark your calendars: **PVSA ceremony will be APRIL 30, 2012 at 7:00 PM.**

➡ **READ THIS:** Volunteer service hours that are served as a requirement for honor societies (UHS, NHS, SHS, etc.), service-type clubs (PALS, FRIENDS, FCA, student council, serving as an officer in a club or similar, etc.) **will count** as service hours toward the President's Volunteer Service Award **as long as they meet this criteria:** any activity that is performed by the student in which he/she donates his/her time and services to the community, a group, an individual, a school, etc., and for which the student **does not** receive any compensation (monetary or otherwise), qualifies as a service activity.

➡ **IF YOU HAVE NOT EMAILED MRS. HORST, YOU MAY NOT GET EMAILS REGARDING THE CEREMONY OR ANY OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE SENT AN EMAIL SO THAT SHE CAN CONFIRM YOUR PROFILE AND CERTIFY YOUR HOURS.**

➡ **If you did a service project that amounted to 100 or more hours and you received a letter certifying and confirming those hours from that organization, please email that form/letter to Mrs. Horst. This helps us as we certify hours throughout the year.**



Notices for PVSA participants:

1. After you submit hours, please email Mrs. Horst to let her know that you are participating in the PVSA program. When you email Mrs. Horst, please put PVSA in the subject heading to prevent it from going into SPAM mailbox.
2. HELPFUL LINK: PVSA Information Flyer & How To Log Your Hours: http://ronaldreaganpta.org/forms/PVSA_FLYER.pdf AND http://ronaldreaganpta.org/forms/PVSA_service_hours_criteria.pdf AND Reagan PTA website: <http://ronaldreaganpta.org/index.htm>
3. PLEASE NOTE THE HOUR REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS AWARD:

Bronze award: age 14 -- 50 to 75 hours; age 15 & older -- 100 to 174 hours

Silver award: age 14 -- 75 to 99 hours; age 15 & older -- 175 to 249 hours

Gold award: age 14 -- 100 or more hours; age 15 & older -- 250 or more hours

If you have any questions, please contact the Reagan PTA, PVSA Chairpersons: Mrs. Michele Horst, mhorst@sbcglobal.net, or Mrs. Cindy Tello at cynthello@gmail.com

THE 13th ANNUAL DUTCH TOURNAMENT and TOURNAMENT RESULTS

By: Laura Lee Krebs

After the break over the holiday season, the Reagan Forensic Team resumed competing the first week back at school. There are only a few more tournaments remaining before the students compete at the National Forensic League (NFL) Districts and the Texas State tournament. The team has come back from their break as strong and talented as ever. The results of the January tournaments are as follows:

January 6 – 7, Madison High School, San Antonio, TX, 3rd Place Sweepstakes

Madeline Krebs: 1st place – Oratory

Elizabeth Westwood: 6th place – Humorous

Morganne Blaylock/Bobby Zhan: 1st place – CX Debate

McKenna Phillips: Qtrs – LD Debate

Ben Roberts/Chris Whitehair: Semis – CX Debate

Shareen Woody: 6th place – Domestic Extemp, 2nd place – LD Debate



January 13 – 14, Churchill High School, San Antonio, TX, (TOC)

Madeline Krebs: 1st place – Oratory, Recipient of the Naegelin Award and Scholarship

Christina Wiener: Semis – LD Debate

January 21, Smithson Valley High School, San Antonio, TX

Mariah Acevedo: 2nd place – Humorous

Madeline Krebs: 5th place – Oratory

McKenna Phillips: 8th place – Poetry

Amado Saade: 8th place – Prose

Congratulations to all the students and their coaches, Ms. Vogel and Mr. Reichle, for a job well done! The first week of February will have the students competing at Clark for Interp and Colleyville for Debate. Then the students will move on to NFL Districts on February 24 – 25 at Churchill High School and TFA State in Amarillo, Texas, March 1 – 3. Any student competing at NFL Districts who earns 1st or 2nd place will move on to the National tournament in Indianapolis in June.

The Reagan Forensic Team would like to thank all of you who participated in our fundraiser and purchased Tamale Baskets during December. We hope you enjoyed them. We also want to thank Mama Ojeda's for the opportunity to sell their baskets and providing us with such yummy goodies.



REAGAN UIL ACADEMIC

A HUGE shout out to the Ronald Reagan High School UIL Academic Team for placing:

1st place in sweepstakes out of 31 competitors!



Accounting Team Placed 1 st –	Alex Bridges, Juan Carlos Suarez, Jenny Nagrocki, and Kellee Tay
Calculator Team Placed 1 st –	Varun Garg, Justin Garcia, and Yingge Cheng
Mathematics Team Placed 1 st –	Varun Garg, Thomas Ruizhe, and Abhinav Ranjan
Number Sense Team Placed 1 st –	Abhinav Ranjan, David Tianheng, and Sai Annaluru
Science Team Placed 1 st –	Rehman Ali, Ryan Gabos, and Andre Chen

Biology, Chemistry, and Physics – Rehman Ali placed 1st

Writing – Kori Morris placed 1st, Victor Carrillo 4th and Chloe Casper 7th.

Literary Criticism – Lila Capps placed 4th

Feature Writing – Michelle Saccar placed 1st, McKenna Hartford 8th and Kris Seavers 9th

Editorial – Kris Seavers placed 9th

Headline Writing – Kristina Seavers placed 3rd and Michelle Saccar placed 8th

Congratulations to all the participants for their outstanding performances!

Reagan Theatre



All Aboard for a spirited time at Reagan High School's Musical, *Anything Goes*

By C. Stier

This February, the Reagan Fine Arts Department presents the lively Cole Porter musical *Anything Goes*. Set on a 1930s era ocean liner during a transatlantic voyage, the show features upbeat, tap-dancing performances and memorable songs including "I Get a Kick Out of You," "It's De-Lovely," and of course, "Anything Goes."

A stowaway, a case of mistaken identity, disguises, romance, intrigue and plenty of comedy enliven the story of a high time on the high seas.

"We've been wanting to do this show for quite some time," said Reagan Theatre Director Mrs. Gloria Robinson. "We were hesitant because of the tap dancing and also, Cole Porter music can be quite difficult. But our students accepted the challenge and have been working on their dancing skills since last year." Some students enrolled in tap classes or attended a summer workshop led by the choreographer Chris Rodriquez and students Blake Jackson and Hilary Rubio, both accomplished dancers.

"As far as the music is concerned, Reagan has one of the finest choral programs in the state and Ms. Mary Cowart and Mr. Christian de la Cruz have been just spectacular in their work with the student performers," Mrs. Robinson added.

Reagan's impressive Orchestra Department, under the direction of Mr. Sixto Elizondo, will provide the musical accompaniment.

The production also boasts an ambitiously designed, three-level set. To recreate the elegance of a passenger ship from a time gone by, Technical Director James Kaiser researched ocean liners of the 1930s which, he observed "are vastly different than today's cruise ships in terms of look and features."

Even the auditorium lobby will be decked out like a festive Bon Voyage party, to set the mood for the dazzling production.

Anything Goes runs February 2 - 4 at 7 PM with a February 5 matinee at 3 PM at the Reagan High School Auditorium, 1900 Ronald Reagan. Tickets are priced at \$8 General Admission, \$9 at the door and \$12 for reserved. For ticket information, phone (210) 482-2200 ext. 248 or contact Grobin@neisd.net.

The cast of more than 60 students includes:

Reno Sweeney - Olivia Abiassi

Billy Crocker – Mason Hensley

Erma – Brogan Lozano

Lead Dancers/Tappers – Blake Jackson and Hilary Rubi

Mrs. Wadsworth T. Harcourt (Evangeline) – Hannah Koxlien

Ship's Captain - Ramiro Leal



Elisha Whitney – Evan Shaffer

Moonface Martin – Preston Richard

Luke and John - Matt Tran and Nick Chaves

Hope Harcourt – Carly Burke

Lord Evelyn Oakleigh – Daniel Naumann

Student Council Senate News

The award-winning Reagan Student Council Senate is starting the selection process for new members
NOW!!

- *If you want to be a part of an organization which changes and affects the daily lives of Reagan students and staff, then Senate is for you!*
- *If you want to be part of an organization which changes and affects the daily lives of our Reagan community and the San Antonio community, then Senate is for you!*
- *If you want opportunities to take part in state, national and international projects, then Senate is for you!*
- *If you want to have a lot of fun, change the world and be part of an organization that feels like a family... then Senate is for YOU!*

Selection Dates:

February 1 - Applications available in the main office

You SHOULD attend one of these informational meetings:

February 3 - Informational meeting, GA 123, 4:15 PM

February 7 - Informational meeting, GA 123, 8:15 AM

February 10 - Applications are due in the main office. They must be time stamped.

February 16 - Interview letters sent

February 27-March 5 - Interviews

March 9 - Selection letters mailed

Contact Debbie Ruel-Schaefer at druels@NEISD.net or 482-2200 ext. 383 for more information.

Library News!

By Connie M. Lippenholz



Hey Rattlers!!!

A quick reminder, if planning to shop on Amazon, please [click our link](#) before you shop! Then shop as you normally would and Amazon will share 5-15% of their profit with us. No cost to you and a great benefit to us... ***we have already raised over \$250 through your purchases since November!***

Please share the link with family and friends ~ anyone can help us raise funds all year long, by shopping Amazon through our school shopping link: www.amazon.com/?encoding=UTF8&tag=rehsli-20.

As you know, Amazon is not just about books! Check out Amazon when shopping for spring holidays such as Valentine's Day and Easter, spring break necessities, trendy spring accessories, wedding or baby gifts, care packages for your college student or a member of our military, electronics and more!

Thank you for using our Amazon.com link to do your shopping. Reagan students and staff thank you for your support of our library program! If you have any questions, please contact Connie Lippenholz at clippe@neisd.net.

The Small Print: *Order matters! In order for your shopping to count toward our fundraising efforts, you need to link, shop, then check out, in that order. Arriving at Amazon through our link is good for 24 hours or until you actually place your order – after the 24 hours or checkout, you will need to link again.*

Reagan Theatre News!



Reagan Theatre's tragedy *Medea* cast a haunting spell

By C. Stier

The inconsolable wailing that opened Reagan High Theatre's November production of the Greek tragedy *Medea* set the tone for the heart-wrenching events that followed. For four nights, November 16 - 19, the young actors offered riveting performances in a play that addressed issues of betrayal, revenge and the historically limited options of women in society.

As the title character, Senior Brogan Lozano portrayed a woman who plots unspeakable acts of revenge after a betrayal and banishment, yet also initially evokes sympathy for her hopeless plight. "Medea is such a complex character, so the most challenging part of portraying that role was grasping and maintaining all the different dimensions of the inner workings on her mind," said Brogan. "I interpreted Medea to be a very haunted woman - by those she previously killed, by the gods and by herself."

Senior Mason Hensely, cast as Medea's betrayer Jason, noted the play offered much for a contemporary audience to contemplate. "It deals with the ideas of revenge and dealing with loss," noted Mason. "It teaches us about the human tendency and our choice between good and evil. How far will you go to make your enemy suffer?"

Medea explored "the darker side of nature," observed Theatre Director Mrs. Gloria Robinson who selected a Greek classic at the urging of several faculty members. "Educational theatre and theatre in general should entertain as well as teach. From many tragedies we learn what we should not do in life, what pitfalls to avoid."

The cast also included Jazmen Gutierrez as The Nurse, Zachary Trevino as King Creon, Ramiro Leal as Aegeus, Nick Chaves as the Tutor and more than 20 other students.

REAGAN BAND NEWS

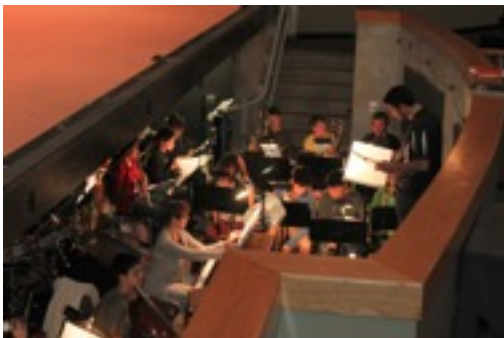
Happy New Year from the Reagan Band!

As the new semester begins, the Reagan Band is switching gears from marching season to contest and concert season. Fourteen of our students advanced and participated in the Area contest on January 7 at New Braunfels High School. Reagan had four students qualify for the Texas All-State Bands and Orchestras! Those students were: Dominic DeSantis on euphonium, Alan Kosub on clarinet, Alexander Oh on clarinet and Greg Spies on tenor saxophone. They will perform with the Texas All-State Bands and Orchestras on February 11 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center as part of the 2012 Texas Music Educators Association Convention. To be awarded the recognition of "Texas All-State musician" is the absolute highest individual honor a high school music student can receive. Many of our students also participated in the Region Band Clinic on Friday, January 13 and Saturday, January 14 at Steele High School which brought together students from all of UIL Region 12 to create three bands. Families and friends were treated to a fabulous concert on Saturday afternoon by students who had only been rehearsing together for less than 24 hours!



On February 18, many of our band students will be participating in the UIL Solo and Ensemble contest at Madison High School. Many of our students are also busy preparing for the Reagan HS musical **Anything Goes**. Please support the Ronald Reagan Fine Arts Department and attend the musical. Performances run from February 2-4 at 7PM and February 5 at 3PM in the Reagan auditorium.

We wish to thank all our parent and student volunteers who work the many hours in the concession stands at the various athletic events. Your help and tireless dedication to the Ronald Reagan Band is greatly appreciated.



Also we would like to thank the support of our Corporate Sponsors!

They help us to provide the highest quality experience possible for our children in the Reagan Band and we appreciate their generosity. We encourage utilizing the services of these sponsors for your personal and business needs!

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Rome's Pizza
Jefferson Bank - Stone Oak
Allergy Institute of San Antonio - Dr. Villalobos
Musical Arts Centers of San Antonio - Stone Oak

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Stone Oak Orthodontics
Costco - Sonterra Park
Great Harvest Bread Company

If your business is interested in becoming a corporate sponsor for the Reagan Band, please contact Paul Brown at pbrown@esaamerica.com. Want to find out more about the Reagan Band? Go to www.reaganband.com!

Band Calendar

- February 8-11 - TMEA All-State Clinic/ Convention
- February 16 - Mid-Winter Concert at Reagan HS: 7PM
- February 18 - UIL Solo and Ensemble at Madison High School
- April 17-19 - UIL Band Concert and Sightreading at Madison High School
- April 20-22 - Band Trip to Corpus Christi



Reagan Winter Guard & Twirlers!

The Reagan Winter Guard is currently working hard to have a successful competition season this year! They will be competing in the Texas Color Guard Circuit at competitions all over Texas now through January and April. Working every day in class and at least 15 hours a week outside of school to put their show together, the color guard is looking forward to this season. Their show is entitled “Before I Lose You” and features the song “Gotta Figure This Out,” by Erin McCarley. The show has been written entirely by the color guard director Miss Christy Tench. The girls were excited to get their season underway with their first competition on Saturday, January 28th at Manor High School near Austin. With a very good performance they placed 9th overall.

The Reagan twirlers are also looking forward to competition season this spring. The girls performed together at the Stone Oak Winter Festival leading the parade with the Reagan Band. The feature twirler Camille Crawford and the feature twirler from Churchill High School, Kryztal Vasquez, also performed together at the Festival to a cheering crowd! The twirlers are preparing for UIL on February 4th.



Counselors' Corner

By Mrs. Lucie Dowe



Reagan counselors will visit freshman, sophomore, and junior English classes during the second and third weeks of February to review transcripts, four-year plans and schedules for 2012-2013. Students will receive a transcript of all courses completed to date and will look at four-year plans to ensure that all remaining requirements are accounted for in their plans. They will then look at the courses scheduled for next year. If they would like to make any changes to those courses, forms will be provided to take home for parent signatures. Any changes to next year's courses can be made at that time or when students receive schedules in the mail in May. All changes must be made before June 7, 2012.

On February 21 following a brief PTA meeting, Reagan College Night will be held in the Cafeteria. Representatives from a number of Texas colleges will be here to speak with students and parents. The PTA meeting will begin at 6:30 PM with College Night to follow from 7 – 8:30 PM.

We will again offer dual credit classes in Spanish IV Pre-AP and above, English IV AP and AP/GT, Biology AP, Anatomy and Physiology, PreCal PreAP, College Algebra, Theatre Arts III, and Business Information Management I and II. Students should have already taken the THEA exam, SAT, or ACT to qualify for the program. Students who have taken the THEA on Reagan's campus have already received the Dual Credit Packet. The packet is also available in the counseling office and on the Reagan website. Students must apply to SAC by Feb. 10. The deadline for receipt of the completed Dual Credit Checklist from the Dual Credit Packet is March 2. Please contact your counselor for answers to any questions.

Early March brings the start of TAKS and STAAR testing. Sophomores and juniors will take the TAKS English/Language Arts test on March 7. TAKS exit retesting for those students who are seniors and have not yet passed portions of their TAKS will be March 5 (science), March 7 (English Language Arts) March 8 (math), and March 9 (social studies). Makeup testing for 10th grade ELA is March 8. Other TAKS testing will be conducted the last week of April.

Freshmen will test STAAR end of course for ELA over a two day period on March 26 and March 27. March 28 and 29 will be makeup test days. We hope that all of our parents were at the STAAR meeting on January 19 or otherwise have learned about these end of course exams and their importance as graduation requirements for all students beginning with the ninth grade students this year.

The last week of April brings more TAKS testing with April 23, 24 and 26 as test days for sophomores and April 23, 25 and 26 as test days for juniors. Further STAAR end of course testing for freshmen will take place on May 8 (World Geography), 9 (Biology), and 10 (Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry).

Stay tuned for information on AP exams on May 6 - 18. We will soon be sending information for online registration. Students must register for AP exams each year regardless of how many times they may have taken AP exams in prior years.

Plans are underway for the Summa Reception on April 3. Details will follow.

For those who missed the meeting on January 5 regarding the interpretation of PSAT scores, a Powerpoint presentation can be accessed on the Reagan website under Counseling. Please have your students stop by the counseling office to pick up their PSAT results if they have not yet done so.

Juniors should be registering for an SAT or ACT test this spring. The last one before the summer break is in early June. No testing dates will be available until the following October. Many juniors will be applying to college before the October scores are available, so they need to take one before the summer break. www.sat.collegeboard.org and www.ACTstudent.org are websites for registration.



REAGAN CHOIR



Texas Music Educators Association sponsors an annual event to encourage students' growth and development in the area of music. Entrance to the Texas All-State Choir is the highest honor a music student in Texas can receive. There are over 17,000 choir students from throughout the state of Texas who begin the competition. There are 28 TMEA Regions that compete for this honor. 504 choir students are selected to participate at the state level.

The students are required to compete on their voice part in front of a panel of judges. The highest-ranking musicians judged at the TMEA Area competitions qualify to perform in a TMEA All-State music group. These All-State students participate in three days of rehearsals directed by nationally recognized conductors during the annual state TMEA Clinic/Convention. Their performances before thousands of attendees bring this extraordinary event to a close.

The All-State audition process for high school choir students leads ultimately to qualification in one of three All-State Choirs that perform at the annual TMEA Clinic/Convention: Women's Choir, Men's Choir, and Mixed Choir.

Reagan High School is proud of the ten students and two alternatives who were selected for the TMEA choir. The students selected from Reagan High School are:

Texas All-State Mixed Choir:

Chris Bendrell
Mason Hensley
Claire Mikita
Daniel Naumann

Texas All-State Women's Choir:

Laura Crabbe
Elizabeth Crouch
Sarah Fernandez
Hannah Koxlien

Texas All-State Men's Choir:

Christian Doby
Matthew Marinelli

Alternates:

Carly Burke
Andrea Walker

The annual TMEA convention at which these choirs rehearse and perform, will take place February 8-11, 2012 here in San Antonio at the Henry B. Gonzalez convention center downtown.

Reagan Theatre students shine at Texas Thespian Festival

By C. Stier

"Act well your part; there all the honor lies"

Reagan High School Theatre Department students walked away with several top honors this academic year at the Texas Thespians Festival in Houston, Texas on December 1-3.

More than 3000 participants from schools throughout Texas and across the border into Oklahoma and Arkansas gathered at the event held at Houston's George R. Brown Convention Center and Hilton America. Thirty-eight Reagan Theatre students under the direction of Theatre Director Mrs. Gloria Robinson and Technical Director Mr. James Kaiser attended this year, and many were publicly recognized for their skills and talents.

The convention offers high school theatre students the opportunity to meet others with professional theatre aspirations, attend dramatic performances and showcase their own talents in acting, technical staging and other categories.

Several Reagan students were named National Qualifiers in their categories including Jazmen Gutierrez for Solo Acting, Michele Yamin for Solo Musical, Hilary Rubio for Costume Construction, Blake Jackson for Theatre Marketing and Maile Hekekia for Stage Management.

Other National Qualifiers included a trio -- Mo Ortiz, Zach Trevino and Nick Chaves -- recognized for their performance in Group Acting.

A Reagan High School team took 1st place in a Texas Techie Relay event, winning the prize of four LED fresnel lights for their school's theatre program.

A complete list of honors earned by Reagan students appear below.

In addition to participating in the competitions, students also chose from dozens of interactive workshops to hone their craft. This year's event, titled "The Age of Change" offered workshops ranging from "The Art of Cold Readings," "Old Age Makeup," "Opera: It's Not Just for Vikings" and the stage combat class "Slaps, Shoves and Hair Pulls."

"We thoroughly enjoy the Texas Thespian Festival," said Reagan Theatre Director Mrs. Gloria Robinson. "This festival offers all of us, teachers and students, an opportunity to learn more about our craft and the importance of it. The festival also offers opportunities to meet college professors who are interested in recruiting and offering scholarship monies to the top senior students of the state, of whom our students fare very well."



2011 Thespian Covention - Ronald Reagan Theatre Awards

TEXAS THESPIANS

Texas Techie Relay – 1st Place (Won 4 LED fresnel lights and light stand.)

Mason Hensley

Blake Jackson

Ramiro Leal

Maile Hekekia

Mask Making

Olivia Taylor – Honorable Mention

Solo Acting/Monologue

Jazmen Gutierrez – National Qualifier

Duet Acting

Mason Hensley and Brogan Lozano – Superior Rating

Group Acting – National Qualifiers

Mo Ortiz

Zach Trevino

Nick Chaves

Solo Musical

Michele Yamin – National Qualifier

Duet Musical

Olivia Abiassi and Jenny Robbins – Excellent Rating

Group Musical – Excellent Rating

Bethany Macleay Julia Stier

Hannah Koxlien John Abiassi

Antonio Abarca Emma Baker

Delaney Felker Tommy Diminture

Solo Mime

Reagan Wilkinson – Excellent Rating

Duet Mime

Zoie Kruger and Kristen Peeler –

Excellent Rating

Costume Design

Sabrina Fields – Excellent Rating

Costume Construction

Hilary Rubio – National Qualifier

Theatre Marketing

Blake Jackson – National Qualifier

Scenic Design

Nikki Bowman – Excellent Rating

Sound Design

Nathan Reece – Excellent Rating

Stage Management

Maile Hekekia – National Qualifier

Texas Short Film Contest

Nick Chaves – Excellent Rating

All Star Troupe Documentary Film – The only school to win this award.

All Star Troupe Display – one of five schools awarded

*****All Star Troupe – One of only five schools*****

Ronald Reagan High School Major Events February 2012

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Feb 1	Aquatics: Regional Meet	Davis Natatorium	All Day
Feb 1	Varsity Girls' Basketball: Lee	Littleton Gym	8:00 PM
Feb 2 - 4	Theatre Musical: Anything Goes	Reagan Auditorium	7:00 PM
Feb 3	Dance: Dance Competition	Bowie HS, Austin	All Day
Feb 3	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Churchill	BAC-W	5:00 PM
Feb 3	Varsity Girls' Basketball: MacArthur	Littleton Gym	6:00 PM
Feb 3	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Churchill	BAC-W	7:00 PM
Feb 3	Varsity Boys' Basketball: MacArthur	Littleton Gym	7:30 PM
Feb 3 - 4	Aquatics: District Meet	Davis Natatorium	All Day
Feb 3 - 4	Girls' Golf: San Angelo Classic	San Angelo	All Day
Feb 3 - 4	Varsity & JV Wrestling: District Tournament	Madison HS	All Day
Feb 4	Reagan UIL Academic Contest	Reagan HS	All Day
Feb 5	Theatre Musical: Anything Goes	Reagan Auditorium	3:00 PM
Feb 7	Varsity Girls' Basketball: Madison	Reagan HS	6:00 PM
Feb 7	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Westlake	Heroes Stadium	7:00 PM
Feb 7	Varsity Boys' Basketball: Madison	Reagan HS	7:30 PM
Feb 8	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Marshall	Northside #1	5:00 PM
Feb 9 - 13	Cheer: UCA Nationals	Orlando	All Day
Feb 10	Aquatics: Regional Meet	Davis Natatorium	All Day
Feb 10	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Lee	Comalander Stadium	5:00 PM
Feb 10	Varsity Boys' Basketball: Johnson	Lee HS	6:30 PM
Feb 10	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Lee	Comalander Stadium	7:00 PM
Feb 10 - 11	Varsity Wrestling: Regional Tournament	BAC	All Day
Feb 13	Varsity Boys' Basketball: Roosevelt	Littleton Gym	5:00 PM
Feb 13	Orchestra: UIL Clinic/Concert w/ Bush & Lopez	Reagan Auditorium	7:00 PM
Feb 13	Varsity Softball: Champion	North East - W	7:00 PM
Feb 14	Varsity Girls' Soccer: MacArthur	Comalander Stadium	5:00 PM
Feb 14	Varsity Boys' Soccer: MacArthur	Comalander Stadium	7:00 PM
Feb 16 - 18	Varsity Softball: South San Tournament	South San HS	7:00 PM
Feb 17	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Madison	BAC-E	5:00 PM
Feb 17	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Madison	BAC-E	7:00 PM
Feb 17	Dance: Texas State Competition	San Marcos	All Day
Feb 17 - 18	Latin Club: Area B Latin Convention	Reagan HS	6:00 PM/All Day
Feb 17 - 18	Girls' Golf: NEISD Girls' Tourn. of Champions	Brackenridge	All Day
Feb 20	Varsity Baseball: Smithson Valley	BAC	6:00 PM
Feb 21	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Johnson	Comalander Stadium	5:00 PM
Feb 21	PTA: College Night	Auditorium & Café	7:00 PM
Feb 21	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Johnson	Comalander Stadium	7:00 PM
Feb 21	Varsity Softball: Antonian	Antonian HS	7:00 PM
Feb 23	Orchestra: Pre-UIL Concert	Reagan Auditorium	7:00 PM
Feb 23 - 25	Varsity Softball: NE Tournament	NE Complex	All Day
Feb 24	Cheer: Tryouts	Reagan HS	4:00 PM
Feb 24	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Roosevelt	Comalander Stadium	5:00 PM
Feb 24	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Roosevelt	Comalander Stadium	7:00 PM
Feb 24	Dance: Crowd Pleasers	Stony Point HS	All Day
Feb 24 - 25	Aquatics: State Meet	Austin	All Day
Feb 24 - 25	Boys' & Girls' Golf: Mike Brent Invitational	Onion Creek, Austin	All Day
Feb 24 - 25	Varsity Baseball: Border Olympics	Laredo	All Day
Feb 24 - 25	Varsity Boys' Golf: Border Olympics	Laredo	All Day
Feb 28	Varsity Girls' Soccer: Churchill	BAC-W	5:00 PM
Feb 28	Varsity Boys' Soccer: Churchill	BAC-W	7:00 PM
Feb 28	Varsity Softball: Brennan	North East - E	7:00 PM

**Mark your calendars – Math Department STAAR/TAKS tutoring!
Algebra I and Geometry STAAR tutoring**

TAKS tutoring

Saturday, April 14
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Objectives 1 – 5
Meet in the Wisconsin hallway

and

Saturday, April 21
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Objective 6 – 10
Meet in the Wisconsin hallway



			Algebra I	Geometry
Thursday, March 29	4:15 – 5:15 PM	Objectives 1 and 2	WI266	PA241
Thursday, April 5	4:15 – 5:15 PM	Objectives 3 and 4	WI266	PA241
Thursday, April 12	4:15 – 5:15 PM	Objectives 5 and 6	WI266	PA241
Thursday, April 19	4:15 – 5:15 PM	Objectives 7 and 8	WI266	PA241
Thursday, May 3	4:15 – 5:15 PM	Objectives 9 and 10	WI266	PA241

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Attendance Office - Grades 9 & 11	x353
Attendance Office - Grades 10 & 12	x355
Attendance Office - Fax	482-2242
Band	x363
Cafeteria	x366
Choir	x364
Clinic	x357
Counseling Office	x251
Counseling Office Fax	482-2245
Dance Studio	x246

Gym - Boys	x231
Gym - Girls	x397
Library	x370
Main Office	x221
Main Office - Fax	482-2222
Orchestra	x365
Police	x266
Special Education	x240
Theatre	x248