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LISD Alumni,

On behalf of Lewisville ISD, I want to welcome you as a member of the newly-created Student Alumni Association. This organization is something we've wanted to do for a while, and we are excited that it's finally come to fruition.

For those of you who don't know me, I am Kevin Rogers, Superintendent of Schools for LISD. This district has been my home for the past 35 years - my entire professional career (for some of you, I may have been your teacher, coach or principal!), and I could not be more proud to serve as superintendent.



We've certainly grown and changed a lot over the years, but our commitment to providing the best educational opportunities and experiences for students to enjoy thriving, productive lives still remains true today. Alumni like you are a testament to that commitment, and I want to thank you for expressing interest in connecting with and giving back to your former district - your involvement will only strengthen LISD and our communities!

There are many perks to the Student Alumni Association membership, and I'm sure many of you are interested in class reunion assistance, and guest speaking, mentor and volunteer opportunities, but another perk is this quarterly newsletter. The newsletter will include updates from the district, feel-good stories about the work we do and more.

We hope you enjoy these stories from around the district, and I wish you and yours a wonderful holiday season. Once again, welcome to the Student Alumni Association and welcome home! We sure are proud you are part of our LISD family.

Kevin Rogers, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools Lewisville ISD

DISTRICT DEVELOPMENTS



TECC-West Offers New Opportunities The Technology, Exploration and Career Center West (TECC-W) campus officially opened for the new school year on Tuesday, Sept. 8. **LISD Opens New Hedrick MS Campus** Students choosing to learn in-person at Hedrick Middle School began the 2020-21 school year in a newly-constructed campus. LISD added two new campuses to better serve local communities. Hedrick Middle School ushered in a new era of smart classrooms for Lewisville residents while TECC-West brings similar real-world learning experiences as its counterpart on the eastside of the district. You can see more pictures and description of each building by clicking on their respective pictures.

ALUMNI CORNER

BECOME AN AMBASSADOR

Lewisville ISD is excited to share information about the district's Ambassador Programs.

ALUMNI AMBASSADORS

As a member of the LISD Alumni Association, we appreciate your support. If you have a friend or family member who graduated from one of the five high schools in the district, please encourage them to sign up for the association at <u>LISD.net/alumni</u>. All association members will have the opportunity to receive class reunion assistance; be a guest speaker; volunteer at a school; mentor students; and more.



REALTOR AMBASSADORS

LISD wants to partner with area realtors to provide them with everything possible to help them be successful. School districts play a huge role in the home-buying decision-making process and it is the desire of LISD to help provide realtors with up-to-date information about the district that can be used as effective closing tools. Learn more about what the district has to offer realtors by visiting <u>LISD.net/realtor</u>.

SENIOR AMBASSADORS

LISD is seeking senior citizens (60+), who would like to assist the district's marketing efforts by signing up as an LISD Senior Ambassador. The goal of the senior ambassador program is to share important and fun facts about the district with senior citizens. In return, seniors will receive information about future volunteer opportunities and great benefits such as free admission to sporting events; school plays; spa treatments, and vital sign checks. Stay tuned for more information and opportunities for LISD Senior Ambassadors.



GET INVOLVED



CAREER OUT

Lewisville ISD's job shadowing program for juniors and seniors

Calling all businesses that want to impact the next generation of workers! Join LISD in our third annual job shadowing program, Career Out!

In the last two years of Career Out, 852 students have visited local businesses to shadow industry leaders in their chosen field. Of those students, 98% said they learned something new and would either recommend the program to a friend or participate again.

After hosting students during the last Career Out, one business owner said, "I can honestly say I had no idea what to expect at all, but I can tell you that the two students were amazing, absolutely amazing! My team wanted to hire both of them!"

Historically, this day has been structured as a one day, three hour event. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the district is looking for the best way to structure the program while keeping students and businesses safe. At the same time, we know our juniors and seniors look forward to this program. Our aim this year is to find a solution that works for both our schools and our businesses.

If you want more information on this year's program as it becomes available, please sign up here.

More details about the program structure (perhaps all virtual or a hybrid approach) will be shared with you in the future.

For more information about engaging with LISD intellectually, email Partnerships@lisd.net.

NAME THE NEWSLETTER, WIN A SHIRT!

Nominate a name for the alumni newsletter by emailing alumni@lisd.net. If you're name is chosen, you get the first alumni t-shirt!



IMPACT A LIFE, READ A SCHOLARSHIP

LEF Seeking Volunteers to Award Scholarships

Each year, the Lewisville ISD Education Foundation awards nearly \$500,000 back to LISD in the form of student scholarships, teacher grants, and program-based fundraising. The impact of that work is felt for generations as graduating seniors move on to higher education and teachers improve their curriculum with new technology and tools to engage students.

But the foundation can't do all of this work without a little help from the community.

To award scholarships every year, LEF asks hundreds of volunteers to read and score more than 1,300 scholarship applications.



"LEF traditionally asks 200 scholarship readers to review about 20-30 applications before a committee selects the recipients," said Pam Nelson, LEF's vice president of programs and committees. "The process is a blind review and no one, not even the selection committee, knows the applicant's name. It's an efficient process to help minimize the amount of time needed from each volunteer."

If you would like to sign up to become a reader and to help a future LISD alumni succeed in his or her next academic experience, <u>fill out this form</u> (lisdef.com/scholarshipreaders) or contact LEF at 469.948.2020.

PARTING THOUGHTS



BEST SCHOOLS IN TEXAS

If you live or have visited the Lewisville ISD community recently, you may have noticed the <u>BestSchoolsInTexas.com</u> banners on LISD's bus fleet.

BestSchoolsInTexas.com is an arm of LISD.net where visitors will see spotlights of the best LISD has to offer its students, staff and the community. One of the common themes throughout the website is the interviews with former students, and the apparent loyalty, passion and appreciation our former students have for their teachers and schools when they were students in the district.

And people are watching. Within the last year, our interview features with former students garnered more than 800 thousand views. If you or someone you know would like to share their student experiences for <u>BestSchoolsInTexas.com</u>, please email <u>alumni@lisd.net</u> today!

LISD is a premier school district known for its high graduation numbers, academic excellence, exceptional teachers, many with advanced degrees, world-class career and technical schools and so much more. Visit <u>BestSchoolsInTexas.com</u> to learn more.

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LISD ALUMNI PROGRAM

LISD is excited to launch its alumni association during the 2020-21 school year. The association brings together former students and the opportunity for them to stay connected, involved, and informed.

Opportunities available to all LISD Alumni Association Members include:

- Class Reunion Assistance
- Guest Speaking Opportunities
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- Guest Speaking Opportunities
- Campus Volunteer
- Student Mentoring
- Business Incubator Coaches and Mentors
- Student Interns for Your Business
- Job Shadowing at Your Business for LISD Students
- ...and MUCH more!

Visit LISD.net/alumni to sign up or learn more today!



Don't forget to check out <u>BestSchoolsinTexas.com/</u> <u>the-loop/</u> for the most recent and all past editions of The Loop, LISD's comprehensive magazine highlighting great stories from within the district.