TAFT JR. HIGH NEWS-



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EARLY RELEASE

Greyhound Fans,

Taft ISD will have an early release on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. so Taft Basketball Fans can travel to Laredo to watch our Boys compete against the Dilley Wolves in the First Round of the State Basketball Playoffs. The game begins at 7:00 p.m. at Laredo LBJ. Bus route pick up will start at 2:30 p.m.



EARLY RELEASE

There will be an early release for the district on Friday, February 26, 2016 at noon.

REGIONAL SCIENCE

<u>FAIR</u>

2-27-16

at the

American Bank Center



SCHOLARSHIPS!!!

Students and parents, you don't have to wait to be in high school to begin applying for scholarships. There is free money out there that your middle school child can apply for.

One available scholarship is the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation

www.jkcf.org

Deadline: 4-14-16



UT FIELD TRIP

8th grade will participate in the biggest open house in Texas. About 90,000 students from all over the state are invited to EXPLORE UT on Saturday, March 5th. Permission slip and UT shirt money are due. Please turn them into Mrs. Martinez's Office.

STAAR Schedule March 2016 March 29

March 27

 $7 th \ Gd-Writing$

8th Gd- Math

March 30

8th Gd-Reading

STAAR Schedule May 2016

<u>May 9</u>

6th Gd-Math

7th Gd-Math

8th Gd-Math (2nd round)

May 10

6th Gd Reading

7th Gd-Reading

8th Gd-Reading (2nd round)

STAAR Schedule

May 2016

May 11

8th Gd-Science

<u>May 12</u>

8th Gd-History

June 2016

June 21-Math (3rd round)

June 22-Reading (3rd round)

GOIN' TO 9TH GD

Parents of 8th grade students, state law requires for students to pass the STAAR Reading and Math tests to be promoted to the 9th grade.

Your child will have three opportunities to pass the STAAR Math and three opportunities to pass the STAAR Reading tests.

If your child doesn't pass one or both tests, Taft Jr High will give your child additional instruction after each test opportunity.

If your child hasn't passed after the second test opportunity, a Grade Placement Committee meeting will take place, which you will be invited to. If your child doesn't pass after the third test opportunity, then another Grade Placement Committee meeting will take place to discuss your child's placement for the 2016-2017 school year.

IT'S A GIRL THING

This is a conference just for girls talking about various topics. Cost is \$25 to attend. It will be held at West Oso ISD on Friday, March 4th and Saturday, March 5th. If you are interested, please visit with Mrs. Martinez