



Dear Harlandale Family Member;

As we prepare for next week's Thanksgiving break, this is a great time to stop and reflect on things that we are grateful for. Last week's Frontier Bowl brought into sharp focus what an extraordinary community we belong to. Both football teams played their hearts out. They were coached well and they competed with integrity. The bands did an excellent job both on the field and in the stands. All of the spirit groups performed with precision, smiles, and enthusiasm. The record breaking, sell-out crowd came out in full force to show their support, pride, and commitment to this community. We are very proud of all of our students, and we're thankful for our campus administrative staff, teachers, and support personnel.

One highlight of this school year was the opening of our state-of-the-art Band Hall and Field House facilities at Harlandale and McCollum High Schools. Being named a Top Workplace for the third year was affirmation that Harlandale ISD is special and we truly do work together as a family. Incorporating Professional Learning Communities into our classrooms is proving to be a valuable asset to our educators. PLCs provide every one of our teachers the opportunity to contribute their talents and expertise. By learning from each other, everyone benefits.

We're very proud of all of our students and their winning spirit. The Harlandale High School Boys Cross Country Team was the 29-4A District Champions, placing 10th in the Region 4 Cross Country Championship. Harlandale High School Volleyball Team made it to the first round of playoffs. Terrell Wells Middle School 7th and 8th grade Purple and White Volleyball Teams finished with 7-0 records. Kingsborough Middle School's 8th grade football A-Team was undefeated and is now the Big 16 Zone 1 Conference Champions. McCollum High School Marching Band received a Division 1 at the UIL Marching Contest. Thanks to our participants, their coaches and fans for outstanding sportsmanship.

Tomorrow night we will once again gather at Memorial Stadium to cheer on the Harlandale Indians in their play-off game against Victoria East. KENS 5 will feature the Harlandale High School team for the "Game of the Week" and they'll sponsor the Friday Night Football Tailgate before the game.

These are just a few of the countless reasons we have to be thankful. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we are grateful to each of you, because **YOU make a difference.**

Enjoy your Thanksgiving break.



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