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It's Market Week!

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It's officially MARKET WEEK, and the Downtown Sanger Farmers' Market is getting ready for the Moonlight Market this Saturday, August 1st! Come spend your evening with them from 5:30-9:30 PM for a night full of local shopping from over 70 vendors, delicious food, music, and plenty of fun! Grab your friends, bring the family, and come hang out in downtown Sanger after the sun goes down. They have a great lineup of vendors waiting for you!

TCEQ ruling advances proposed sewage plant near Sanger for 'lagoon community' opposed by neighbors

This story was originally published by the Denton Record-Chronicle and partially reprinted by the Sanger News. You can see the full story and and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's latest Legal Notice about Sanger Laguna Azure LLC and James N. Horn at www.dentonrc.com

For nearly two years, Rainbow Valley residents, nearby property owners and other supporters have sought to prevent a sewage facility from appearing on former state Rep. Jim Horn's property, just east of Sanger on McReynolds Road.

They started a group called Stop the Stink-Sanger to raise awareness about their plight to protect a sensitive watershed that includes an ecologically protected riparian zone and wetland as well as a wildlife refuge.

Horn wants to create a municipal utility district on 300 acres and requested a permit from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in September 2024 to build the Sanger Laguna Azure wastewater treatment facility, an "activated sludge process plant" that would release an estimated 950,000 gallons of treated wastewater daily into the Enoch and Clear creeks, which will carry it downstream to Lewisville Lake.

Located about 3 miles east of Sanger, near FM2164, the proposed facility would treat wastewater from Megatel Homes' future master-planned community centered around a 26-acre

artificial lagoon. The lagoon on Horn's property would cover about 26 acres off FM2153, and the development at full buildout would cover about 830 acres off McReynolds Road and FM2153, over to Union Hill Road, according to the current version of the plan.

The TCEQ received hundreds of comments in opposition to the project due to potential issues such as outflow flooding the valley and making roads impassable, disrupting wildlife, worsening erosion and introducing invasive species.

The cities of Denton and Sanger also want to prevent the sewer facility, and last year Denton requested a contested hearing from TCEQ, pointing out in a July 2025 letter that Horn's permit application was missing documentation and responses from Sanger. The letter also reported that multiple applications for wastewater treatment facilities were seeking to discharge similar amounts into Denton's watershed.

"Together, they represent a significant loading of pollutants into the receiving waters," Stephen Gay, the city's general manager of water and street operations, wrote in the letter. "Finally, the city contends that the applicant's package plant is not likely to treat and manage PFAS and other emerging contaminants that require advanced treatment."

TCEQ Executive Director

Kelly Keel recently made a decision that Horn's permit application does meet the requirements of applicable law — although the decision "does not authorize construction or operation of any proposed facilities," according to TCEQ's letter to all interested parties.

Keel also issued a 37-page response to the 367 comments TCEQ received regarding Horn's permit application. You can see the Executive Director's July 20 letter at www.dentonrc.com.

TCEQ commissioners will consider Keel's decision at a regularly scheduled public meeting before they take any action on Horn's application — unless all those who filed requests for a contested hearing or reconsideration withdraw them before that meeting, Laurie Charis, TCEQ's chief clerk, wrote in the Monday letter to property owners like Sam Alexander, who's part of the Stop the Stink-Sanger group.

"Of course we are disappointed in the ruling but not surprised," Alexander wrote in a message Thursday to the Denton Record-Chronicle. "This only means that they have done all their due diligence. We will continue to fight it."

"There is just so many things wrong with sticking a sewer plant out here and just dumping their CRAP on innocent people."

In an email to the Re-

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Sanger ISD school starts Monday

School starts on Monday, August 3rd, at Sanger Independent School District (SISD). The district has been busy preparing for nearly 3,000 students across six campuses over the past couple of weeks. The newest members of the SISD family jumped right in on July 22-23. During these two days, 23 new teachers received their MacBooks, learned about the curriculum, assessments, lesson planning, and familiarized themselves with ClassLink and the district's communication platform, ParentSquare. They stayed engaged and prepared for a successful school year filled with learning, collaboration, and excitement.

This year, the New Teacher Tribe Academy welcomed the smallest group of teachers to date. In previous years, the district trained around 50-70 new hires. However, since implementing the 4-Day School Week, teacher turnover has been minimal, with about half of the teachers who needed replacement being retirees. Returning teachers returned on July 24

and participated in teacher workdays and staff development throughout the past week. Meet The Teacher Nights and Freshman Orientation were held at the campuses this week.

As we begin this school year, please remember to drive slowly through school zones starting Monday and be patient during campus drop-offs and pick-ups. The first week can be chaotic, but things will improve over time.

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For more information, see the 2026-2027 SISD Academic Calendar on page 12. More Back To School on pages 8-10:



Megatel Homes, a Dallas-based developer, wants to build a lagoon community in Sanger, similar to one the developer is building in Celina, shown in artist's rendering.



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OBITUARIES...

Darrell Dean Scobee

January 6, 1947 - July 24, 2026

Darrell Scobee, 79, of Sanger Texas passed away on July 24th, 2026 at Presbyterian Hospital with his wife and family by his side.

Darrell was born on January 6st, 1947 to George and Nola Scobee. He graduated from Reeds Spring High School in Missouri. Upon graduation he served in the United States Navy on the USS Fort Snelling (LSD-30).

He married Lois (Wuanita) Taylor on June 27, 1970, at the Methodist Church in Kimberling City Missouri. They lived in Texas at his passing and was married 56 years.

He worked in construction (residential and commercial) in Missouri and Texas retiring in 2014. His company, D & L Construction, was professionally recognized for his structural engineering marvel in framing, stair and ceiling design.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Nola Scobee, sister (Karen Hudson), and niece (Shawn Hudson).

He is survived by his wife, Lois; his son (Scott Scobee and wife Tiffany of Sanger, Tx), his daughter (Sherry Drinnon and husband David) of Katy, Tx; Grandchildren, Lexi Lyon (her husband Trace and son Evan), Allison Drinnon, Lindi Scobee, Anna Drinnon, Benjamin Drinnon, and Nathan Drinnon; Brothers Larry Scobee and wife Debbie, and Blaine Scobee and wife Lesa; Nieces, Nephews, Cousins, and many friends.

Services will be at First Baptist Church, 1100 Malone St. Denton, Tx on Saturday, August 15th. Visitation is at 10:30 a.m. and service at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers the family request contributions to First Refuge in Denton, Habitat for Humanity or Blood Cancer United.



Rev. Dr. E.L. McNeal, Jr.

August 7, 1940 - July 26, 2026

Rev. Dr. E. L. McNeal, Jr., of Sanger, was called to his heavenly home on Sunday, July 26, 2026, at the age of 85. Born in Fort Sill, Oklahoma on August 7, 1940, he was the son of the late E. L. McNeal, Sr. and Lorena Francis (Martin) McNeal.

As a young child, he was affectionately called "Skipper." He grew up in Ada, OK and graduated from Horace Mann High School. He continued his education at East Central University in Ada, where he met his future bride, Mary Lou. They were married on August 2, 1963.

Skip answered the call into ministry at age 16. He attended seminary and began his ministry as a music/youth director before stepping fully into the pastorate. He pastored churches in Moore and Shawnee, Oklahoma prior to moving to Sanger, Texas, where he and Mary faithfully served at the First Baptist Church for thirty years. Over the course of his ministry, Skip led many people to the Lord. He took countless youth groups to the mountains, teaching many students and parents alike how to ski. After retiring from FBC Sanger he continued serving as an Intentional Interim Minister at churches in Alpine, Huntsville, Fort Worth and Denton, Texas.

Skip served as chaplain of the Sanger Lions Club and was a member of the Bolivar Masonic Lodge #418 in Sanger.

If you knew Skip at all, you knew his great sense of humor. He found joy even in difficult times and worked to instill that joy in everyone he met. He carried a smile every day, and when you saw him, you could not help but smile back. His uplifting personality will be missed by our community.

Skip cherished his family. He was the best PaPa to his grandchildren, and he and Mary rarely missed any of their events. Their presence was a constant source of love and encouragement.

Preceding him in death were his parents, E.L. "Mac" McNeal Sr and Lorena McNeal; brother, Vance McNeal, and his beloved grandson, Clifford McNeal.

Skip is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Mary of Sanger; three sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Kim McNeal of Highland Village, Mike and Tresa McNeal of Temple, and Jeff and Evie McNeal of Lewisville; one brother and sister-in-law, Dick and Virginia McNeal of McCloud, OK, and sister-in-law, Myrna McNeal of Shawnee, OK. He is also survived by ten grandchildren, Kristopher and Abby McNeal, Kaitlyn McNeal, Kailey and Tyler Sanders, Tommy McNeal, James and Mariah McNeal, Jonas McNeal, John Mark McNeal, Makena and Jack Gray, Nolan McNeal, and Foster McNeal, as well as seven great-grandchildren, Sabai, Chit, Julie, Emersyn, Madilynn, Sage, and Matthias.

A visitation is scheduled from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm on Saturday, August 1, 2026, at the First Baptist Church, 708 N. Fifth Street, Sanger. Funeral services are at 2:00 pm on Sunday, August 2, 2026, also at First Baptist Church. Pastors Grant Bowles and Karl Fickling will officiate the services. Shane Studdard will lead music. Skip's grandchildren will serve as pallbearers. Interment will be in the Sanger Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial donations be made to the First Baptist Church of Sanger Foundation (<https://fbcsanger.com/give>) which will fund ongoing missions and ministry.



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Stephen "Steve" Vernon

April 12, 1960 - July 21, 2026

It is with profound sadness that the family of Stephen "Steve" Vernon Archer announces his passing in Denton, Texas on July 21, 2026, at the age of 66. He will be lovingly remembered by his family as a kind, patient, and devoted family man who always found time for everyone.

Steve Archer was born on April 12, 1960, in Irving, TX to Numan Glenn Archer and Barbara Ruth (Harriss) Archer. He graduated from Irving High School and attended Northlake College before beginning his career with GTE/Verizon in 1979. Steve married his beloved wife, Gwen (Dunn), on January 19, 1997, and they made their home in Krum, Texas. After retiring from GTE/Verizon in 2013, Steve worked for the Justin, Texas Postal Service until 2018. In his spare time, Steve enjoyed collecting and working on muscle cars and trucks. He also enjoyed trips to the casino and was second-to-none in his ability to repurpose materials of all kinds. A true animal lover, Steve had a kind heart toward all living creatures.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, Numan Glenn Archer; his mother, Barbara Ruth (Harriss) Archer; and his sister, Julie Ann Archer.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Gwen Archer of Krum, Texas; his children, son Chad Reynolds (Jennifer) of Krum, Texas; son Jason Eddington (Candice) of Sanger, Texas; son Jeremy Eddington (Michele) of Krum, Texas; cherished grandchildren Gavin Goss (Raynee), Ella Eddington, Madison Reynolds, Judson Eddington, Abigail Eddington, and Ty Eddington; his paternal aunts Barbara and Myrtle Ann, numerous cousins, and extended family.

A memorial service was Saturday, July 25, 2026, at DeBerry Funeral Directors at 2025 W University Drive in Denton, Texas.



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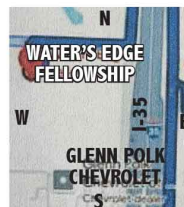
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July 20, 2026

TO: All interested persons.

RE: Sanger Laguna Azure LLC and James N. Horn
TPDES Permit No. WQ0016624001

Decision of the Executive Director.

The executive director has made a decision that the above-referenced permit application meets the requirements of applicable law. **This decision does not authorize construction or operation of any proposed facilities.** This decision will be considered by the commissioners at a regularly scheduled public meeting before any action is taken on this application unless all requests for contested case hearing or reconsideration have been withdrawn before that meeting.

Enclosed with this letter are instructions to view the Executive Director's Response to Public Comment (RTC) on the Internet. Individuals who would prefer a mailed copy of the RTC or are having trouble accessing the RTC on the website, should contact the Office of the Chief Clerk, by phone at (512) 239-3300 or by email at chiefclerk@tceq.texas.gov. A complete copy of the RTC (including the mailing list), complete application, draft permit and related documents, including public comments, are available for review at the TCEQ Central Office. Additionally, a copy of the complete application, the draft permit, and executive director's preliminary decision are available for viewing and copying at Sanger Public Library, 501 Bolivar Street, Sanger, in Denton County, Texas.

If you disagree with the executive director's decision, and you believe you are an "affected person" as defined below, you may request a contested case hearing. In addition, anyone may request reconsideration of the executive director's decision. The procedures for the commission's evaluation of hearing requests/requests for reconsideration are located in 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 55, Subchapter F. A brief description of the procedures for these two requests follows.

How to Request a Contested Case Hearing.

It is important that your request include all the information that supports your right to a contested case hearing. Your hearing request must demonstrate that you meet the applicable legal requirements to have your hearing request granted. The commission's consideration of your request will be based on the information you provide.

The request must include the following:

- (1) Your name, address, daytime telephone number, and, if possible, a fax number.
- (2) The name of the applicant, the permit number and other numbers listed above so that your request may be processed properly.
- (3) A statement clearly expressing that you are requesting a contested case hearing. For example, the following statement would be sufficient: "I request a contested case hearing."
- (4) If the request is made by a group or association, the request must identify:
 - (A) one person by name, address, daytime telephone number, and, if possible, the fax number, of the person who will be responsible for receiving all communications and documents for the group;
 - (B) the comments on the application submitted by the group that are the basis of the hearing request; and
 - (C) by name and physical address one or more members of the group that would otherwise have standing to request a hearing in their own right. The interests the group seeks to protect must relate to the organization's purpose. Neither the claim asserted nor the relief requested must require the participation of the individual members in the case.

Additionally, your request must demonstrate that you are an "affected person." An affected person is one who has a personal justiciable interest related to a legal right, duty,

privilege, power, or economic interest affected by the application. Your request must describe how and why you would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity in a manner not common to the general public. For example, to the extent your request is based on these concerns, you should describe the likely impact on your health, safety, or uses of your property which may be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activities. To demonstrate that you have a personal justiciable interest, you must state, as specifically as you are able, your location and the distance between your location and the proposed facility or activities.

Your request must raise disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the commission's decision on this application that were raised **by you** during the public comment period. The request cannot be based solely on issues raised in comments that you have withdrawn.

To facilitate the commission's determination of the number and scope of issues to be referred to hearing, you should: 1) specify any of the executive director's responses to **your** comments that you dispute; 2) the factual basis of the dispute; and 3) list any disputed issues of law.

How to Request Reconsideration of the Executive Director's Decision.

Unlike a request for a contested case hearing, anyone may request reconsideration of the executive director's decision. A request for reconsideration should contain your name, address, daytime phone number, and, if possible, your fax number. The request must state that you are requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision, and must explain why you believe the decision should be reconsidered.

Deadline for Submitting Requests.

A request for a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision must be **received by** the Chief Clerk's office no later than **30 calendar days** after the date of this letter. You may submit your request electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/cc/comments.html or by mail to the following address:

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TCEQ, MC-105
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Processing of Requests.

Timely requests for a contested case hearing or for reconsideration of the executive director's decision will be referred to the TCEQ's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program and set on the agenda of one of the commission's regularly scheduled meetings. Additional instructions explaining these procedures will be sent to the attached mailing list when this meeting has been scheduled.

How to Obtain Additional Information.

If you have any questions or need additional information about the procedures described in this letter, please call the Public Education Program, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040.

Sincerely,

Laurie Gharis

Laurie Gharis
Chief Clerk

TCEQ ruling

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cord-Chronicle, spokesperson Justin Harmon said the City of Denton is "evaluating its legal options."

All requests for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of Keel's decision must be received by the TCEQ chief clerk's office no later than 30 calendar days after the July 20 letter.

Anyone who disagrees with the executive director's decision can request reconsideration of the decision, while residents who live near the site can request a contested case hearing.

Timely requests will be referred to TCEQ's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program and be scheduled on the agenda for a regularly scheduled commission meeting.

Joseph Langley, who lives in the Rainbow Valley area, said he thought opponents of the project are better off than what Keel's decision might imply.

"As I see it, all they did was agree that Jim Horn and Megatel had dotted all their i's and crossed their t's," Langley said.

Another Wastewater Treatment Plant proposed at Gregory Road near Sanger

Another wastewater treatment plant site application was filed for Wild Wild West Land Company, LLC, 1809 Hinkle Drive, Suite 100, Denton, Texas 76201, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for proposed Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0016983001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0149322) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed an annual average flow of 1,080,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility will be located approximately 0.60 miles northeast of the intersection of County Road 365 and Gregory Road, near (about 8 miles northwest) of the city of Sanger, in Cooke County, Texas 76266. The discharge route will be from the plant site to an unnamed tributary, thence to Buck Creek, thence to SCS Site 50 Reservoir, thence to Buck Creek, thence to Clear Creek, thence to Lewisville Lake. TCEQ received this application on May 19, 2026. The permit application will be available for viewing and copying at Sanger Public Library, front desk, 501 Bolivar Street, Sanger, in Denton County, Texas and at City of Valley View, front desk, 308 West Obuch Street, Valley View, in Cooke County Texas prior to the date this notice is published in the newspaper. The application and associated notices are available electronically at the following webpage: <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/pending-permits/tpdes-applications>.



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In a jar, your money only grows when you add more. In a garden, what you plant can begin to grow on its own. Your investments can earn returns, and those returns may in turn earn additional returns. That's called compounding, and it can have a meaningful impact over time. Like a garden, however, growth is not guaranteed. Markets can rise and fall, and investments can lose value.

Most workplace retirement plan contributions are made with pre-tax dollars, which lowers today's taxable income; you'll pay taxes when you withdraw it in retirement. Some plans also offer a Roth option: you contribute after-tax dollars and

withdrawals in retirement can be tax free. Your plan administrator can provide more information.

Many 401(k) plans include an employer match, either up to a set dollar amount, perhaps \$500, or a percentage of your salary, typically 3%-5%. Contributions you make, as well as those from your employer, can grow over time. Try to contribute at least enough to capture the full match; anything less means you're leaving money on the table.

Now the question is how to invest your contributions inside your 401(k). The menu of investment options may seem complicated, but most fall into a few common categories.

Stock or equity funds focus on stocks, which represent ownership in companies. Because they're tied to company performance, they have the potential for higher growth over time, but their value can go up and down in the short term. When you're decades from retirement, that short-term volatility matters less; you have time to ride out



Nikki Smith
Financial Advisor

the swings.

Bond funds invest in loans made to governments or corporations. These tend to be more stable than stock funds but typically grow more slowly. They can help balance the ups and downs.

Balanced or blended funds hold a mix of stocks and bonds in a single investment.

Target-date funds combine different types of investments in one fund. As you move toward a specified retirement year, the fund gradually adjusts to focus more on stability and less on growth.

The earlier you start planting, the more time your money has to grow. Even small contributions early in your career can end up as large amounts later, simply because they had more time to compound.

If you change jobs, keep in mind that your employer's contributions may not be fully yours immediately. It depends on your plan's vesting schedule, so it's worth checking before you go.

The most important steps in a retirement plan are getting started, contributing consistently and taking advantage of what your plan offers. With a little knowledge, you can feel more confident moving forward. The garden is yours. Start planting.

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The Old Bolivar Station Songwriters Festival is now accepting applications for this year's festival in historic Downtown Sanger!

We're looking for talented songwriters to share their original music, connect with fellow artists, and bring the stories behind the songs to life.

Whether you're an experienced performer or just getting started, we'd love to hear what you've been writing. While country and Americana have been popular in the past years, ALL genres are welcome. Great songwriting is what matters most.

Apply today: www.discoversanger.com/obsfest

Old Bolivar Station Songwriter Festival - Saturday, October 3rd

Join us in historic downtown Sanger, Texas, for a celebration of original music, storytelling, and community!

The Old Bolivar Station Songwriter Festival brings talented songwriters from across the country together for live performances, songwriter rounds, collaboration, and the opportunity to hear the stories behind the songs.

From seasoned professionals to rising artists, performers will take the stage at downtown venues and bring their original music to life. Experience the creativity, passion, and connection that make songwriter festivals unforgettable.

- Historic Downtown Sanger, Texas
- Saturday, October 3, 2026
- Free Event

Whether you're a longtime music fan, discovering new artists, or looking for a unique weekend experience, we invite you to join us for a celebration where songwriters meet, collaborate, and get discovered.



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Public Notice

**CITY OF SANGER, TEXAS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held by the Planning & Zoning Commission in the Historic Church Building, 403 N 7 th Street, Sanger, Texas at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2026, and by the City Council on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in Historic Church Building, 403 N 7th Street, for the purpose of considering the following:

A Rezoning from Agriculture (A) to Light Industrial (LI) of approximately 83.95 Acres of Land described as part of A0199A B.B.B. & C. RR CO., TR 1 and A0199A B.B.B. & C. RR CO., TR 2 Generally Located at the South East Corner of Metz Road and County Road 200.

All interested citizens and property owners are hereby notified of their right to appear and be heard on this matter.

Local Business Programs

Property Enhancement Incentive Program

- All businesses in the City of Sanger are eligible.
- The program provides grants in the form of reimbursement for up to \$10,000 for eligible improvements to business facades
- Participants are eligible for up to one grant in a twelve-month period from completion of the previous grant.
- Applications are available online at: www.sangertxedc.org

Business Spotlight Videos

- All business owners and entrepreneurs in the City of Sanger are eligible.
- The Sanger EDC will produce one free video within a twelve-month time frame.
- Videos are shared with the business owner and posted on the EDC social pages.
- Business owners are encouraged to use them to promote their business.
- To have your business featured, send an email to mmiller@sangertexas.org



Pointing you in the right direction... Downtown Sanger!

Our newest tourism billboard is officially up on I-35, helping introduce thousands of travelers to Sanger's restaurants, shopping, brewery, and small-town charm every single day. This is just one example of how the Sanger EDC invests in marketing our community, supporting local businesses, and driving tourism.





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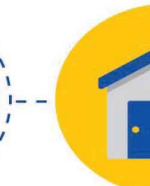
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The advertisement features a background image of a white service truck with "Franklin" written on its side. In the foreground, there is a large circular logo. The logo has a red and white striped outer ring. Inside the ring is a blue square containing a white star on the left and a red cube on the right. The cube has a blue circular pattern on its top face. The text "NOW OFFERING PLUMBING!" is written in white on a red rectangular background at the top. Below this, the company name "Underwood's HEATING & AIR" is displayed in large, bold letters, with "HEATING & AIR" in red and blue. The tagline "Same trusted team. More services." is written in white on a dark blue background. The phone number "940-367-9739" is shown in large white digits. Below the phone number, the text "Plumbing License #M-40850" is written in small white font. The bottom section of the ad has a dark blue background with white text announcing the new plumbing services, listing the services offered, and providing contact information.



School SUPPLY LISTS



2026-2027

2026-2027 School Supply Lists

- Chisholm Trail School Supply List
- Butterfield Elementary School Supply List
- Clear Creek Elementary School Supply List
- Sanger Middle School Supply List

Sanger High School supply list is subject to individual courses and will be distributed the first week of classes.

You can access campus school supply lists: <https://www.sangerisd.net/studentsparents/school-supply-lists> or Scan the QR Code:



BACK TO SCHOOL

FIRST DAY AND AUGUST FRIDAYS!

First Day of School

AUGUST 3RD



Remember students attend school on Fridays in August:

- Aug. 7th
- Aug. 14th
- Aug. 21st
- Aug. 28th





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FOR 2026-27

New Students

SANGER ISD

<https://www.sangerisd.net/studentsparents/enrollment/new-student-registration> or **SCAN THE QR CODE**

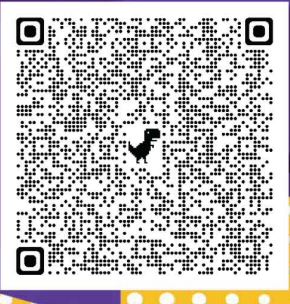
Sanger High School: shsregistration@sangerisd.net
Sanger Middle School: smsregistration@sangerisd.net
Butterfield Elementary: besregistration@sangerisd.net
Clear Creek Elementary: cceregistration@sangerisd.net
Chisholm Trail Elementary: jhallmark@sangerisd.net

If you are having difficulties with any portion of the online enrollment process, please contact your student's home campus at the number listed below.

Butterfield Elementary: 940-458-4377
Chisholm Trail Elementary: 940-458-5297
Clear Creek Elementary: 940-458-7476
Sanger Middle School: 940-458-7916
Sanger High School: 940-458-7497



REGISTER



FOR 2026-27

Returning Students

SANGER ISD

Sanger High School: shsregistration@sangerisd.net
Sanger Middle School: smsregistration@sangerisd.net
Butterfield Elementary: besregistration@sangerisd.net
Clear Creek Elementary: cceregistration@sangerisd.net
Chisholm Trail Elementary: jhallmark@sangerisd.net
Linda Tutt High School: kyla.fox@sangerisd.net
Registration information can also be found on our website at: <https://www.sangerisd.net/.../returning-student-registration> or **SCAN THE QR CODE**

 **Sanger Independent School District**

Free and Reduced Lunch

APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE LUNCH FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Online applications are processed through SchoolCafe, Sanger ISD's partner in managing our student's nutritional services.

How to guides on account set up and completing the free and reduced application online can be found in the attachments below.

 SchoolCafe FreeReduced Information

 SchoolCafe FreeReduced Information-SPANISH

Paper applications for free and reduced lunches can be filled out at each campus.

To apply for Free or Reduced Lunch - Go to:

<https://www.sangerisd.net/departments/food-nutrition/free-and-reduced-lunch>



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SANGER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Annual Career and Technical Education (CTE) Public Notification

Sanger Independent School District offers Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs in the following career pathways:

- Agricultural Technologies and Mechanical Systems
- Animal Science
- Plant Science
- Digital Communications
- Graphic Design and Interactive Media
- Business Entrepreneurship
- Business Marketing and Sales
- Automotive and Collision Repair
- Distribution, Logistics, and Warehousing
- Engineering Foundations
- Drone
- Culinary Arts
- Teaching and Community Services
- Cosmetology and Personal Care
- Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services
- Exercise Science, Wellness, and Restoration
- Criminal Justice

Admission to these programs is based on enrollment in Sanger ISD secondary schools.

Sanger ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in its CTE programs, services, or activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Sanger ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its employment practices in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Sanger ISD will take appropriate steps to ensure that a lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission or participation in any educational or Career and Technical Education program.

For information regarding your rights or grievance procedures, contact:

Title IX Coordinator
Jennie Flaa
Deputy Superintendent
jflaa@sangerisd.net
940-458-7438

Section 504 Coordinator
Kim Mills
kimberly.mills@sangerisd.net
940-458-7438

DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE SANGER

Aviso Público de Educación Profesional y Técnica (CTE)

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Sanger ofrece programas de Educación Profesional y Técnica (CTE) en las siguientes áreas:

- Tecnologías Agrícolas y Sistemas Mecánicos
- Ciencia Animal
- Ciencia Vegetal
- Comunicaciones Digitales
- Diseño Gráfico y Medios Interactivos
- Emprendimiento Empresarial
- Mercadotecnia y Ventas Empresariales
- Reparación Automotriz y de Colisiones
- Distribución, Logística y Almacenamiento
- Fundamentos de Ingeniería
- Drones
- Artes Culinarias
- Enseñanza y Servicios Comunitarios
- Cosmetología y Cuidado Personal
- Servicios de Diagnóstico y Terapéuticos
- Ciencias del Ejercicio, Bienestar y Recuperación
- Justicia Penal

La admisión a estos programas se basa en la matrícula en las escuelas secundarias del SISD.

Es política del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Sanger no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o discapacidad en sus programas, servicios o actividades de CTE, de conformidad con el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmendada; el Título IX de las Enmiendas de Educación de 1972; y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendada.

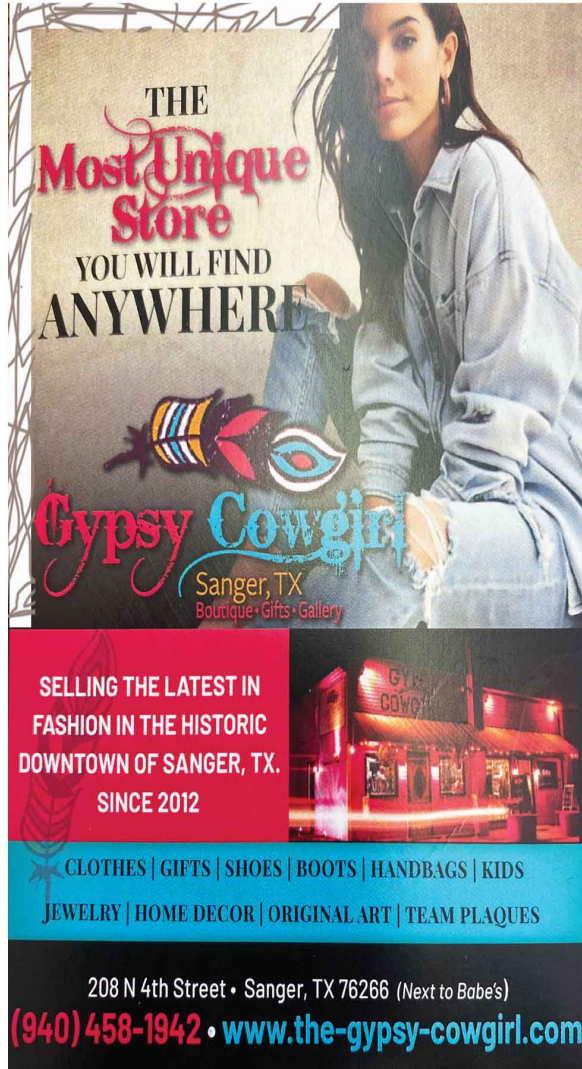
Asimismo, el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Sanger no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, discapacidad o edad en sus prácticas de empleo, de conformidad con el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmendada; el Título IX de las Enmiendas de Educación de 1972; la Ley de Discriminación por Edad de 1975, según enmendada; y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendada.

El SISD tomará las medidas necesarias para garantizar que la falta de dominio del idioma inglés no sea una barrera para la admisión y participación en todos los programas educativos y de CTE.

Para obtener información sobre sus derechos o los procedimientos para presentar una queja, comuníquese con:

Coordinadora del Título IX
Jennie Flaa
jflaa@sangerisd.net
940-458-7438

Coordinadora de la Sección 504
Kim Mills
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SPORTS

SANGER HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL
2026

Date	Day	Opponent	Location	V	JVP	JVG
Aug. 1	Saturday	1ST DAY OF PRACTICE	Sanger	TBA	TBA	TBA
Aug. 7	Friday	Scrimmage	Sanger	5:00/7:00	5:00/7:00	5:00/7:00
Aug. 8	Saturday	Scrimmage	Callisburg	8:00/9:30	8:00/9:30	8:00/9:30
Aug. 11	Tuesday	Paradise	Sanger	6:00	5:00	5:00
Aug. 13-15	Thurs-Sat	Tyler Tournament	Tyler HS	TBA	-----	-----
Aug. 18	Tuesday	Gunter	Sanger	6:00	5:00	5:00
Aug. 20-22	Thurs-Sat	Sanger Showcase	Sanger	TBA	(work)	(work)
Aug. 25	Tuesday	Denton Ryan	Ryan HS	6:00	5:00	5:00
Aug. 27-29	Thurs-Sat	Godley Tournament	Godley HS	TBA	-----	-----
Sept. 1	Tuesday	Sunnyvale	Sunnyvale HS	6:30	5:30	5:30
Sept. 4	Friday	Holiday	Sanger	4:30	6:00	6:00
Sept. 5	Saturday	Callisburg JV Tournament	Callisburg HS	-----	TBA	TBA
Sept. 8	Tuesday	Krum*	Krum HS	5:00	5:00	6:00
Sept. 11	Friday	BYE				
Sept. 15	Tuesday	Gainesville*\$	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Sept. 18	Friday	Ponder*	Ponder HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Sept. 22	Tuesday	Van Alstyne*#	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Sept. 25	Friday	Aubrey*	Aubrey HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Sept. 29	Tuesday	Lake Dallas*!	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Oct. 2	Friday	Krum*	Sanger	6:00	6:00	4:30
Oct. 6	Tuesday	BYE				
Oct. 9	Friday	Gainesville*	Gainesville HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Oct. 10	Saturday	work B-Team Spikefest	SHS & SMS	TBA	TBA	TBA
Oct. 13	Tuesday	Ponder*^	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Oct. 16	Friday	Van Alstyne*	Van Alstyne HS	6:00	6:00	4:30
Oct. 20	Tuesday	Aubrey*	Sanger	5:00	5:00	6:00
Oct. 23	Friday	Lake Dallas*	Lake Dallas HS	6:00	6:00	4:30

* = District Match \$ = Senior Night # = Middle School Night ^ = Youth Volleyball Night

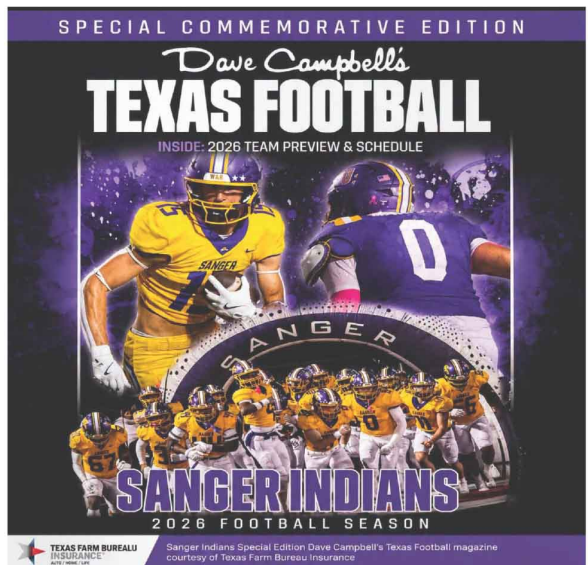
! = Teacher Appreciation Night

Head Coach: Scott Montgomery

Asst. Coaches: Jamie Burch, Jeremy Harvey, Shelbie Pethtel

Girl's Athletic Director: Tracy Sykes

**Updated 7/16/26



The 2026 Sanger Indians Dave Campbell's Texas Football Special Commemorative Edition is HERE! Get your copy and celebrate what promises to be an exciting season for the Sanger Indians!

- Special Commemorative Edition
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 - Team preview
 - 2026 schedule
 - Returning players
 - Coach insights
 - Season outlook
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The first day of UIL practice for SHS sports teams starts on Saturday, August 1st and Monday, August 3rd...

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2026 HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

DATE	MEET	LOCATION	TEAM	TIME
8/15 (Saturday)	Twilight Time Trial (1 mile)	Sanger Indian Stadium 100 Indian Ln, Sanger, TX 76266	Varsity/JV/MS	8:00 PM
8/22 (Saturday)	Alumni Run (2 mile)	Porter Sports Park 2101 E-35 Postage Rd Sanger, TX 76266	Varsity/JV/MS	8:00 AM
8/29 (Saturday)	Greenhill Relays	Norback Park 200 N Buckner Blvd, Dallas, TX 75218	Varsity/JV	7:30 AM
9/5 (Saturday)	Marcus T Invite	North Lakes Park 2001 W Windsor Dr, Denton, TX 76207	Varsity/JV	6:45 AM
9/11 (Friday)	Gerald Richey Invite	Harold Patterson Sports Complex 1000 W Bardia Rd, Arlington, TX 76017	Varsity/JV	7:30 AM
9/16 (Wednesday)	Wyatt Dickerson Invite	Alford High School 1049 US-287, Alford, TX 76225	JV ONLY	8:00 AM
9/18 (Friday)	Hoka Pre-State Invite	Old Settlers Park 3300 E Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665	Varsity Top 10	OVERNIGHT
9/24 (Thursday)	Birdville Elyin Hawk Invitational	The Buff Fossil Creek Blvd, Haltom City, TX 76137	Varsity/JV	7:30 AM
10/1 (Thursday)	The Reunion Run	Reunion Ground 3101 FM 51, Decatur, TX 76234	JV & Varsity	7:30 AM
10/13 or 10/14 (Tues or Wed)	District	North Lakes Park 2001 W Windsor Dr, Denton, TX 76207	Varsity/JV	9:00 AM
10/26 or 10/27 (Mon - Tues)	Regionals	1000 W Bardia Rd, Arlington, TX 76017	Varsity	9:00 AM
11/6 or 11/7 (Fri or Sat)	State	Old Settlers Park 3300 E Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665	Varsity	TBA

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VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Aug 13	Pilot Point 9th, JV & Varsity	AWAY	6:00 PM
Aug 20	Caddo Mills	HOME	6:00 PM
Aug 28	Lake Dallas (Sr Night)	HOME	7:00 PM
Sept 4	Paris	AWAY	7:00 PM
Sept 11	Aubrey (Homecoming)	HOME	7:00 PM
Sept 17	Whitesboro	AWAY	7:00 PM
Sept 24	Canyon	Vernon	7:00 PM
Oct 2	Open	—	7:00 PM
Oct 9	Krum	AWAY	7:00 PM
Oct 16	Gainesville	HOME	7:00 PM
Oct 23	Lake Worth	AWAY	7:00 PM
Oct 30	Ponder	HOME	7:00 PM
Nov 5	Van Alstyne	AWAY	7:00 PM

9TH & JUNIOR VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Aug 27	Lake Dallas	AWAY	9th 5:00 JV 6:00
Sept 3	Paris	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Sept 10	Aubrey	AWAY	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Sept 16	Whitesboro	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Sept 23	Brewer High School	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Oct 1	OPEN	OPEN	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Oct 8	Krum	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Oct 15	Gainesville	AWAY	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Oct 22	Lake Worth	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Oct 29	Ponder	AWAY	9th 5:00 JV 6:30
Nov 4	Van Alstyne	HOME	9th 5:00 JV 6:30

7TH & 8TH GRADE

DATE	OPPONENT	7TH GRADE	8TH GRADE
Sept 1	Lake Dallas	HOME	HOME
Sept 8	Aubrey McNabb	HOME	HOME
Sept 16	Whitesboro	AWAY	AWAY
Sept 22	Aubrey OWENS	7th Home	8th Away
Sept 29	Van Alstyne	AWAY	AWAY
Oct 8	Krum	AWAY	AWAY
Oct 15	Gainesville	HOME	HOME
Oct 20	Aubrey McNabb	AWAY	AWAY
Oct 29	Ponder	HOME	HOME
Nov 5	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

PLAYOFFS

Nov 13	Bi District	Nov 27	Regional Championship
Nov 20	Area	Dec 4	Quarterfinals
Nov 26	Thanksgiving	Dec 11	Semi Finals
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2026 - 2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

JULY 2026

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July 22 - 23: New Teacher Tribe Academy
July 24: Teacher Workday
July 27 - 30: Staff Development
July 31: Teacher Workday

AUGUST 2026

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August 3: First Day of School

SEPTEMBER 2026

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September 7: Student/Staff Holiday
September 18: Parent/Teacher Conferences

OCTOBER 2026

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October 8: 1st Nine-Week Grading Period Ends
October 12: 2nd Nine-Week Grading Period Begins
October 16: Staff Development

NOVEMBER 2026

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November 13: Staff Development
November 23 - 27: Student/Staff Holiday Break

DECEMBER 2026

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December 17: 2nd Nine-Week Grading Period Ends
December 21 - 31: Student/Staff Holiday Break

JANUARY 2027

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January 1: Student/Staff Holiday
January 4: Teacher Work Day (No School)
January 5: 3rd Nine-Week Grading Period Begins
January 18: Student/Staff Holiday
January 22: Staff Development

FEBRUARY 2027

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February 12: Staff Development

MARCH 2027

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March 4: 3rd Nine-Week Grading Period Ends
March 8 - 12: Spring Break
March 15: 4th Nine-Week Grading Period Begins
March 19: Staff Development

APRIL 2027

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April 16: Staff Development

MAY 2027

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May 7: Bad Weather Day
May 14: Bad Weather Day
May 15: LTHS Graduation
TBD: SHS Graduation
May 20: Last Day of School
May 21: Staff Development

JUNE 2027

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School Start/Dismissal Times

	Breakfast	First Bell	Tardy Bell	Last Bell
Chisholm Trail Elementary	7:10	7:30	7:40	3:55
Butterfield Elementary	7:10	7:30	7:40	3:55
Clear Creek Elementary	7:10	7:30	7:40	3:55
Linda Tutt High School	7:10	7:30	7:40	3:55
Sanger Middle School	7:30	7:45	7:55	4:10
Sanger High School	7:30	7:45	7:55	4:10

Legend

- New Teacher Tribe Academy
- Teacher Workday
- Staff Development
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Holidays
- Bad Weather Make Up Days

Nine-Week Grading Periods

1st Nine-Weeks	Aug. 3 - Oct. 8	43 Days
2nd Nine-Weeks	Oct. 12 - Dec. 17	36 Days
3rd Nine-Weeks	Jan. 5 - Mar. 4	34 Days
4th Nine-Weeks	Mar. 15 - May 20	40 Days

Student Days: 153

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