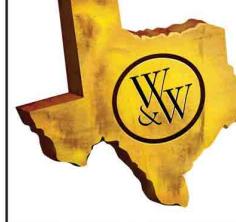


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February 6, 2026

## H-E-B purchases 600 acres just north of Sanger



H-E-B, recently announced, they have purchased 600 acres just north of Sanger. The land connects between Metz Road and W. Lone Oak Road, on the west side of I-35. The project is part of a multi-phase plan to develop the property, but not for a grocery store. The land is located just north of Chisam Road just inside the Cooke County Line.

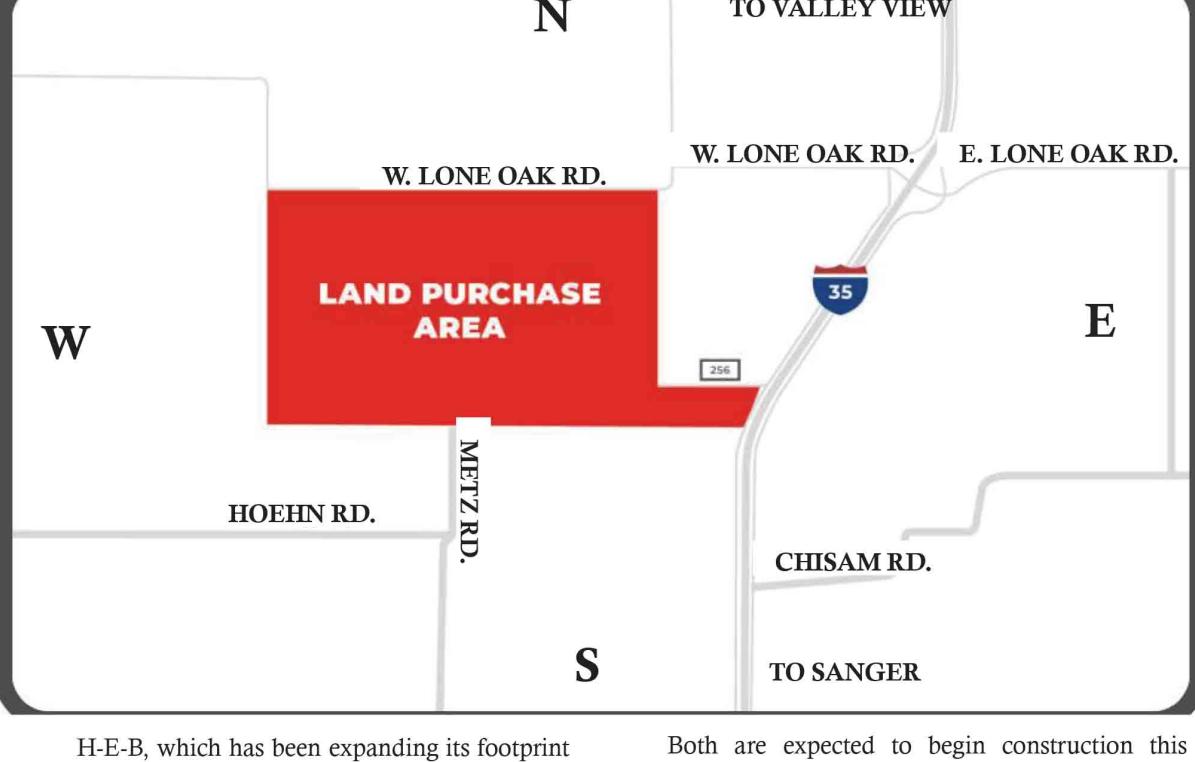
To support its growing business, H-E-B finalized the land purchase in North Texas where the company has plans to build facilities in multiple phases to support its supply chain operations.

The project is still in the early planning stages, and there is not a timeline for construction. Additional details about the project will be released as plans develop. The terms of the land purchase were not disclosed.

Once in operation, the facilities will expand and build upon H-E-B's existing supply chain operations, allowing the company to better serve customers and communities across North and West Texas.

"Buying this property marks the first step in developing a master-planned campus that will strengthen our ability to serve more Texans," said Carson Landsgard, Chief Supply Chain Officer for H-E-B. "This project reinforces our commitment to communities across the state and will generate more local job opportunities in the years ahead."

Additionally, H-E-B recently purchased 122 acres next to its current distribution campus in Temple to support future growth at the site. There are no immediate plans for construction there, and details will be shared as plans develop. The terms of the deal were not disclosed.



H-E-B, which has been expanding its footprint in North Texas, has two supermarkets planned in Denton.

One will be at Hillwood's Landmark development at the northwest corner of Interstate 35W and Robson Ranch Road, at Denton's border with Argyle. The other will be at University Drive and Bonnie Brae Street near Rayzor Ranch.

Both are expected to begin construction this spring.

There is no construction timeline for the supply chain facilities yet, as the project is still in the early stages.

The largest privately held employer in Texas, H-E-B continues to grow its business across all areas of the company, maintaining its push as an economic driver for Texas.

## Gary Bilyeu to run for Sanger Mayor

A proud Denton, Texas, native, Gary Bilyeu has called Sanger home since 1999. It is the community where he met his wife and where they chose to raise their family. Now finishing his eighth term on the Sanger City Council, Gary also serves as Mayor Pro-Tem.



Gary Bilyeu

Bilyeu filed his candidacy paperwork to run for Mayor on Tuesday morning. He's been on the City Council since May of 2010. "If I decided not to run for office again, then I would be very proud of the accomplishments during my eight terms on City Council. Like most cities, we continue to face many challenges. However, we will soon have a void in leadership. This is a critical time for our city. I believe that continuity of knowledge and experience along with proven leadership would serve the city well in meeting those challenges. After much consideration, I decided to run for Mayor," said Bilyeu, in an email Wednesday morning.

"Personally, when I

started in elected position, I hoped to use my service as an example to teach my children the importance of serving others by investing in a town that means so much to our family. With all our kids basically out of the house now and with

our last one down at UT in Austin, Elizabeth and I have entered a new phase. We have three grandchildren. It is time to invest personally in the next generation of our family and spend some extra time together. Additionally,

there are some personal ministry opportunities and initiatives in my business that I would also like to press into more fully. I look forward to focusing more effort toward these areas. It is certainly hard to step away from some-

thing in which I have been so invested, but I think the time is right to make the transition."

Bilyeu's dedication to

public service began long

before his council tenure,

(Continued on pg 7)



### ELECTION INFORMATION

2026

#### Municipal Election Information

The next City of Sanger General Election will be held on May 2, 2026, to elect a Mayor and two Councilmembers for Place 2, and Place 4 for a two-year term.

Polling location - Sanger Community Center – 101 Freese Street, Sanger, Texas 76262

- Last day to register to vote for the Municipal Election is April 2, 2026.
- Last day to Receive Application for Ballot by Mail – Monday, April 20th, 2026
- Last day to Receive FPCA – Monday, April 20th, 2026

For on-going information visit the City's website – Election Information page at <https://www.sangertexas.org/284/Election-Information>

To check to see if you are registered to vote visit - [votedenton.gov](http://votedenton.gov)

#### Primary Election Information

Information regarding the Primary Election on March 3, 2026 can be found by visiting the County's website - [votedenton.gov](http://votedenton.gov)



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### Larry Lynnwood Weger

February 9, 1940 - January 29, 2026

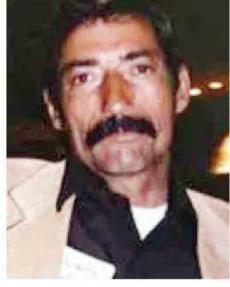
Larry Lynnwood Weger, 85, of Saint Jo, TX, passed away Thursday, January 29, 2026, in Ft Worth, TX. Larry was born February 9, 1940, in Colbert, OK to Orvel and Gladys Naomi (Taber) Weger.

Larry is survived by daughter, Deborah Brier and husband Allen of Sanger TX; son, De- ral Weger and wife, Teresa of Aubrey, TX.; siblings, Johnny Weger, Carolyn Wainscott, David Weger, and Tammy Manley; Grandchildren, Jimmy Holley (Krystle), Jeff Rose (Karen), Jamie Roach (Christopher), Kenneth Weger (Julia), Crystal Pels (Brian), Jason Holley, Kody Weger (Brittany), Tyler Lowery (Savannah); 16 Great grandchildren; 9 Great, great grandchildren.

Larry is predeceased by his wife Nancy Marcine Weger; his parents Orvel Weger and Gladys Naomi (Taber); daughter, Donna Rose; grandson Kory Weger

Visitation was Wednesday February 4, 2026, at Slay Memorial Funeral Center in Aubrey, TX. Interment followed at Mountain Park Cemetery, North of Boggess, St. Jo, TX. Pallbearers; Jimmy Holley, Jason Holley, Jeff Rose, Kenneth Weger, Kody Weger and Tyler Lowery

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## What should you do with your tax refund?

It's almost time for people to begin receiving their tax refunds. If you get one, what will you do with it?

The answer will depend somewhat on the size of your refund. Last year, the average was \$3,167, according to the Internal Revenue Service's Filing Season Statistics report.

Whatever the size of your refund, you'll want to maximize its benefit. Here are some suggestions:

Contribute to your IRA. If you receive \$3,167, it could go a long way toward funding your IRA for the year, but any amount would help. You have until April 15 to contribute for the 2025 tax year, but if you've already "maxed out" contributions, you could use your refund for 2026, when the annual contribution limit for an IRA is \$7,500, or \$8,600 if you're 50 or older. Beginning early toward fully funding your IRA can help reduce the pressure of coming up with large amounts later.

Build an emergency fund. Your tax refund could help you start or expand an emergency

fund. It's a good idea to keep three to six months' worth of living expenses in such a fund, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account, separate from the funds you use for your daily expenses.

Pay down debts. You may wish you could reduce your debt load. Your tax refund could offer you that chance. But which debts should you tackle first? You could follow the "snowball" method by paying off the smallest of your loans or debts as quickly as possible. Or you could choose the "avalanche" route by making minimum payments on all debts and using extra funds — such as your tax refund — to pay off those with the highest interest rates. Either method could help you save money in the long term.

Contribute to a 529 plan. If you have children or grandchildren and want to support their education, you might consider investing in a 529 education savings plan. Earnings and withdrawals are federally tax free, provided the money is used for qualified education expenses. Your 529 plan may provide state tax benefits, too. (It's possible, though, that 529 withdrawals could affect financial aid packages, depending on who owns the account.) A 529 plan can be used to help pay for college, accredited trade

Prepare for other tax obligations. Your refund can also be set aside in a separate savings account to pay estimated quarterly taxes or personal property or real estate taxes.

It's not often that you receive a financial windfall such as a tax refund — so think carefully about how you can maximize its benefits.

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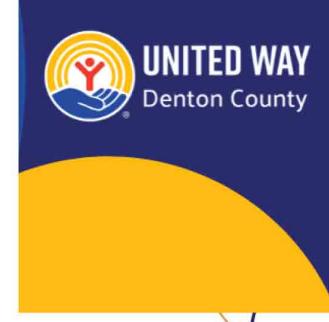
For years, Sanger and the surrounding area have shown a growing commitment to mental health. It's encouraging to see more people talking openly about these topics and seeking help when needed. As mental health providers, our role is to walk alongside our neighbors—offering a listening ear, evidence-based care, and a safe place to land.

If you or someone you know could use support—whether it's for anxiety, family changes, or just needing someone to talk to—there are resources here in Sanger, including New Hope Counseling Services. Reaching out is a sign of strength, and no one has to navigate these challenges alone.

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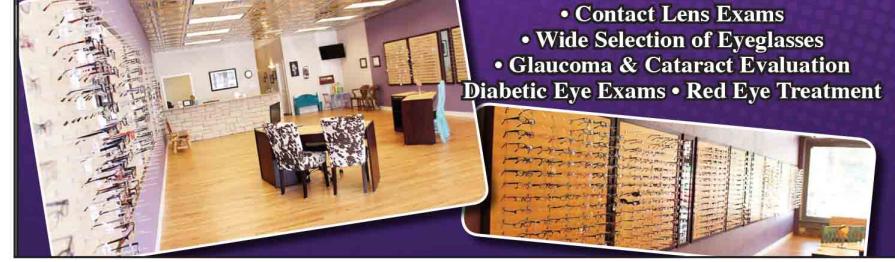
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Thank you for staying informed and connected. We are proud to share what is happening in our community and what is ahead for Sanger.



### Now Available | January City Council Recap

The Mayor's recap of the City Council activities for the month of January is now available. This update highlights key actions, discussions, and decisions made by City Council as we started the new year.

We encourage residents to take a few minutes to watch the recap and stay informed about what your City Council has been working on and what it means for our community.

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# FEBRUARY 2026

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## MORE FEBRUARY EVENTS!

Denton County Traveling Museum presents Quakertown. Special guest: Mrs. Alma Clark, wife of Rev. Willie Clark who was a former resident of Quakertown. Friday, February 6 @ 2:30 PM

MOVIE TIME AT THE LIBRARY! Enjoy popcorn and candy while we watch! THURSDAY, FEB. 26 6:00 PM NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

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## Election

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with past leadership roles including: President of the Sanger Area Chamber of Commerce, Chair of the Planning & Zoning Committee, and member of the Board of Adjustments.

Gary earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of North Texas before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. Over a distinguished 29-year military career, he rose through the ranks as an Infantry Officer, guided by a deep sense

of duty, honor, and service to others.

That same deep-rooted sense of service continues to guide Gary's work today. He is passionate about giving back, whether supporting his community, empowering local educators and students, or championing the well-being of fellow Veterans, a cause especially close to his heart. Gary believes true fulfillment comes from lifting others up and making a lasting difference wherever and whenever possible.

Professionally, Gary is a Financial Advisor and

the owner of KFA Financial, a financial services firm located in downtown Sanger. He currently serves on the board of directors for Cowtown War-

riors (a nonprofit veterans organization) and recently finished his term as president of the Sanger Education Foundation.

## City and School Board Election Update:

As of Wednesday, February 4th morning, the seats for city council Place 2 and Place 4 remain empty for the May 2, 2026 local election.

City Councilman Gary Bilyeu has filed to run for Mayor.

Open places on the council are Place 2 - Gary Bilyeu (This place will be vacated since he is running for Mayor) and Place 4 - Allen Chick. Bilyeu has been on the council since 2010 and Chick's first term started in 2014.

On Wednesday, Chick said he planned on picking up an election packet this week, but didn't confirm if he would be seeking another term on the city council.

Mayor Thomas Muir announced in early January he will not seek another term. He's been Mayor since May of 2010.

Sanger ISD has three places up on the ballot. They are held by: Place 7 - Bruce Elsey, Place 6 - Mitch Hammonds and Place 1 - Jarrod Roberts.

As of February 4, Roberts and Drew Hall, have turned in their packets for Place 1 and Hammonds has filed for Place 6. Elsey confirmed Wednesday, he will be picking up a packet and file this week for Place 6.

The last day to file is Friday, February 13 at the close of business. Applications are available at City Hall and Sanger ISD Administration buildings.

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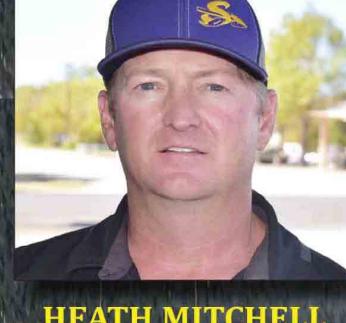
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### SEF GALA INFO:

The Sanger Education Foundation is excited to announce its Annual Gala, taking place Friday, March 20, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Monroe Pearson Event Center, located at 421 E. Oak Street in Denton.

This year's Gala has relocated to the Monroe Pearson Event Center to accommodate the growing number of supporters who wish to attend this unforgettable evening celebrating education, community, and opportunity. Sponsorships, reserved tables, and tickets are now on sale, and the Foundation encourages guests to secure their spot early for what promises to be a memorable night.

Attendees will enjoy a delicious, specially prepared catered meal, the Foundation's Signature Dessert Frenzy, a traditional Candy Station, and an evening filled with excitement through an extensive Silent Auction and an energetic Live Auction. In addition, guests can participate in interactive activities designed to celebrate the Foundation's mission and the lasting impact made possible through community support.

Adding to the excitement, the Sanger Education Foundation is thrilled to highlight the return of its Golden Ticket Raffle. One lucky winner will receive their dream vacation, with a choice of resort destinations from more than 30 locations (see raffle ticket for details). Only 100 Golden Ticket Raffle tickets will be sold, making this an exclusive opportunity. Tickets are \$100 each and historically sell out quickly. Early purchase is strongly encouraged.

"This is truly the event you will not want to miss," said Don Long, President of the Sanger Education Foundation. "The Annual Gala is not only a celebration, but a reflection of what our community can accomplish together in support of education."

To reserve a sponsorship, table, ticket, or Golden Ticket Raffle entry, contact the Sanger Education Foundation at [vfoster@sangereducationfoundation.org](mailto:vfoster@sangereducationfoundation.org) or call 940-600-8890 or 940-777-0210.

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# SPORTS

## Lady Indians beat Lake Dallas, need help for playoffs

The Lady Indians varsity basketball beat Lake Dallas on Tuesday night 39-21. Sanger is 16-14 overall and 5-7 in district.

The young Lady Indians are not mathematically eliminated from the playoffs, but the path forward is narrow—Sanger will need to win out and get help from other results to force potential tiebreaker scenarios.

Sanger: 11, 8, 8, 12; 39

Lake Dallas: 2, 6, 9, 4; 21

Sanger scorers: Vivianne Lynch 9, Nevaeh Sutherland 3, Molly Schmucker 7, Callie Miller 2, Laurisa Miskell 2, Madison Biediger 3, Amarie White 3, Sarah Dee 10.

SHS played Frisco Panther Creek last Friday. They fell 68-30, but were led by several strong individual efforts. Vivianne Lynch paced Sanger with 9 points, 2 assists, and 3 steals, setting the tone on both ends of the floor. Sarah Dee followed with a well-rounded night of 7 points, 7 rebounds, 2 assists, and a steal, while Nevaeh Sutherland added 5 points and 3 rebounds. Jasmine Pace chipped in 3 points as well.

Sanger played a weather make-up game this past Saturday. The Lady Indians' playoff hopes took a significant hit

Saturday afternoon as they fell to Aubrey Chaparrals, 19-38.

The loss completes a season split between the two programs, but Aubrey now holds the edge in the district standings at 7-4, while Sanger dropped to 4-7 at the time.

Sanger Stat Leaders vs. Aubrey:

Scoring • Sarah Dee - 5 points • Molly Schmucker - 5 points • Callie Miller - 3 points • Vivianne Lynch - 3 points

Rebounding •

Sarah Dee - 8 rebounds (3 offensive, 5 defensive)

• Laurisa Miskell

- 3 rebounds •

Ady Garza,

Alissa Spillman,

Vivianne Lynch,

Jasmine Pace - 2

rebounds each

Defense •

Steals (Team: 8

total): Laurisa

Miskell, Alissa

Spillman, Sar-

ah Dee, Molly

Schmucker, Viv-

#1 Addy Garza

#2 Vivianne Lynch

#3 Nevaeh Sutherland

#5 Molly Schmucker

#10 Callie Miller

#11 Jasmine Pace

#12 Laurisa Miskell

#22 Bailey Newton

#23 Alissa Spillman

#33 Amarie White

#44 Sarah Dee

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5' 6" jr

5' 6" jr

5' 9" jr

5' 8" jr

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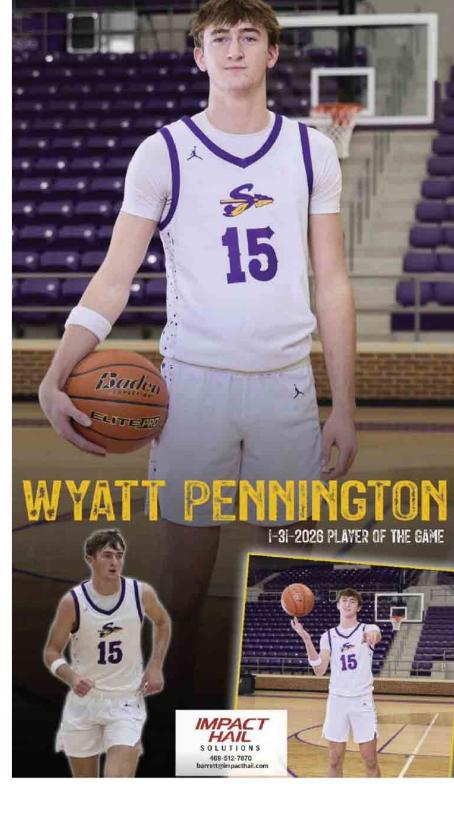
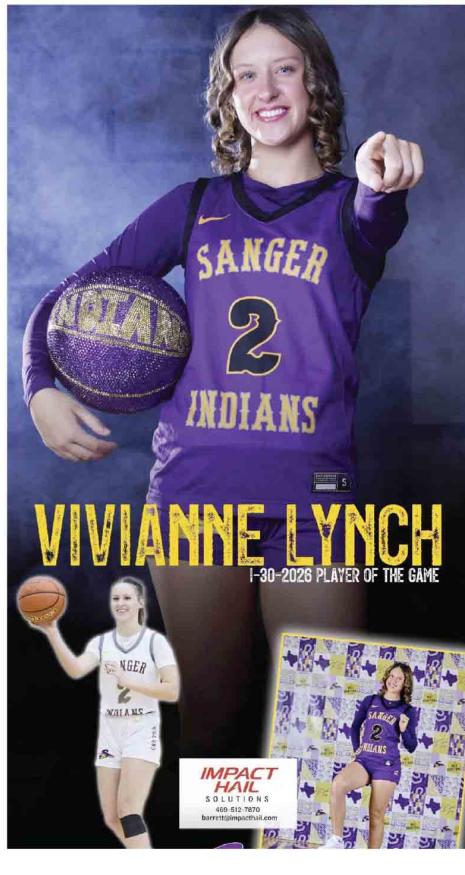
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## Indians varsity basketball beats Lake Dallas

Sanger's varsity basketball team beat Lake Dallas 52-25 on Tuesday night. The Indians are 14-13 overall and 2-8 in district. District 9-4A is very competitive and Sanger is a relatively young squad. Both their district victories have come against Lake Dallas and the Indians have four games remaining against Gainesville, Prosper Richland, Celina and Van Alstyne. See schedule below:

Sanger was led by Baylor Beard with 18 points, followed by: Alex Dee 10, Wyatt Pennington 9, Tyler Grimes 8, Logan Swafford 4, and JT Alambar 3.

The Indians fell in a hard-fought district battle to Aubrey Saturday afternoon 49-58. This one was closer than the final score shows — the boys competed for four quarters and never backed down.

### Breakout Night – Wyatt Pennington

Wyatt turned in a monster performance, posting a double-double with 11 points and 18 rebounds, along with 3 blocks, 1 steal, and the exclamation point of the night — a breakaway dunk

that brought the bench and crowd to their feet.

Stat Leaders • Alexander Dee: 12 points, 2 assists • Logan Swofford: 10 points, 10 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 block • Tyler Grimes: 7 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists • Jacob Alambar: 6 points, 3 rebounds, 1 assist • Baylor Beard: 3 points, 1 rebound, 2 assists • Ethan Grant: 1 point, 1 rebound, 1 steal

The Indians made the road trip to Panther Creek last Friday night and ran into a tough, high-energy opponent losing 41-100.

Alex led all Indians with a team-high 15 points and 5 rebounds, continuing to be a steady offensive presence. Tyler chipped in 12 points, adding 2 rebounds and an assist, while Logan battled inside all night, pulling down a team-high 8 rebounds to go with 4 points and an assist.

On the defensive end, Wyatt made his impact felt around the rim with 3 blocks, along with 4 rebounds, and Baylor filled up the stat sheet with 4 rebounds, 3 assists, and 2 steals, showing

his all-around effort. Noel added 4 points and 2 rebounds as the Indians continued to compete through all four quarters.

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## 2025-26 SHS VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL ROSTER:

#	Player	Grade	Position	Height
0	Tyler Grimes	Jr.	SG	6'0"
1	Baylor Beard	Jr.	PG	5'10"
2	Alex Dee	Jr.	SG	5'11"
3	JT Alambar	Sr.	W	6'1"
4	Ethan Exner	Sr.	G	5'10"
5	Joel Rodriguez	Sr.	G	6'0"
15	Wyatt Pennington	Jr.	P	6'4"
12	Kane Kirkland	Sr.	G	5'6"
20	Nash Brockett	So.	G	5'10"
21	Dezmond Sampson	Jr.	P	6'2"
22	Ethan Grant	Fr.	SF	6'3"
23	Noel Hernandez	Fr.	SG	6'1"
24	Logan Swofford	Jr.	P	6'6"

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Friday	2/6/2026	Boys Basketball vs Gainesville*	Gainesville	7:30 PM	House of Carts	HRE & DHCI	Church of Christ
Tuesday	2/10/2026	Girls Basketball vs Prosper Richland*	SHS	6:15 PM	Afford it	Beaver Builders	Church of Christ
Tuesday	2/10/2026	Boys Basketball vs Prosper Richland*	SHS	7:30 PM	House of Carts	HRE & DHCI	Church of Christ
Friday	2/13/2026	Boys Basketball vs Celina*	Celina HS	7:30 PM	House of Carts	HRE & DHCI	Church of Christ
Tuesday	2/17/2026	Boys Basketball vs Van Alstyne*	SHS	7:30 PM	House of Carts	HRE & DHCI	Church of Christ

## SHS GIRLS BASKETBALL MONTHLY SCHEDULE:

Date	Opponent	Location	JV Gold	JV Purple	Varsity
Feb. 6	Gainesville	Gainesville	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb. 10	Prosper Richland	SHS	7:30	5:00	6:15
Feb. 16-17	Bi-District	TBD			

## SHS BOYS BASKETBALL MONTHLY SCHEDULE:

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TEAMS/TIMES
*FRI	Feb. 6	GAINESVILLE	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*TUE	Feb. 10	RICHLAND PROSPER	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*FRI	Feb. 13	CELINA	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*TUE	Feb. 17	VAN ALSTYNE	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
SAT	Feb. 21	DISTRICT CERT		



## New UIL district realignment announced

On Monday, the University Interscholastic League (UIL), the governing body for public high school sports and activities in Texas, released its updated district realignments for the next two school years: 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

Sanger High School will compete in District 6 (Class 4A D2) for football over the next two seasons. Their district opponents will include Gainesville, Krum, Lake Worth, Ponder, and Van Alstyne. "We are excited about the district and the opportunity to play against many good teams," said SHS head football coach Chad Rodgers.

Dropping out of Sanger's football district are Bonham, Caddo Mills, and Farmersville. Joining the district for the next two seasons are Ponder and Lake Worth. Due to the changes, Coach Rodgers needed to arrange an additional non-district game, which is why there will be a neutral site contest against Canyon in Week 5.

For basketball and volleyball, SHS will participate in District 9 (Class 4A) under the new alignment. District 9 includes Aubrey, Gainesville, Krum, Lake Dallas, Ponder, Sanger, and Van Alstyne. The teams that have been eliminated from the previous alignment are Celina, Frisco Panther Creek, and Prosper Richland, while Krum and Ponder will be new additions to the district for the next two years.



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District 2 Big Spring Fort Stockton Monahans Pecos Seminole Snyder	District 4 Bridgeport Brock Burkburnett Graham Iowa Park Mineral Wells	District 6 Gainesville Krum Lake Worth Ponder Sanger Van Alstyne	District 8 Carthage Center Gilmer Longview Spring Hill Pittsburg Texarkana Pleasant Grove	District 10 Hamshire-Fannett Hardin-Jefferson Jasper Shepherd Silsbee	District 12 H Worthing H Yates	District 14 Bellville Freeport Brazosport Hitchcock Katy Harmony La Grange La Marque	District 16 Austin Achieve Austin Eastside Giddings Lago Vista Manor New Tech Wimberley

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Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4				
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The UIL is expected to announce district alignments for spring sports in the near future.



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2026-2027 & 2027-2028		
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5A-DIVISION II	1305 - 1829	119
4A-DIVISION I	896 - 1304	103
4A-DIVISION II	550 - 895	102
3A-DIVISION I	367 - 549	102
3A-DIVISION II	246 - 366.9	102
2A-DIVISION I	175.6 - 245.9	103
2A-DIVISION II	105 - 175.5	102
1A-DIVISION I	57.6 - 104.9	79
1A-DIVISION II	57.5 & BELOW	80

CONFERENCE CUTOFFS		
	ENROLLMENT	# OF SCHOOLS
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