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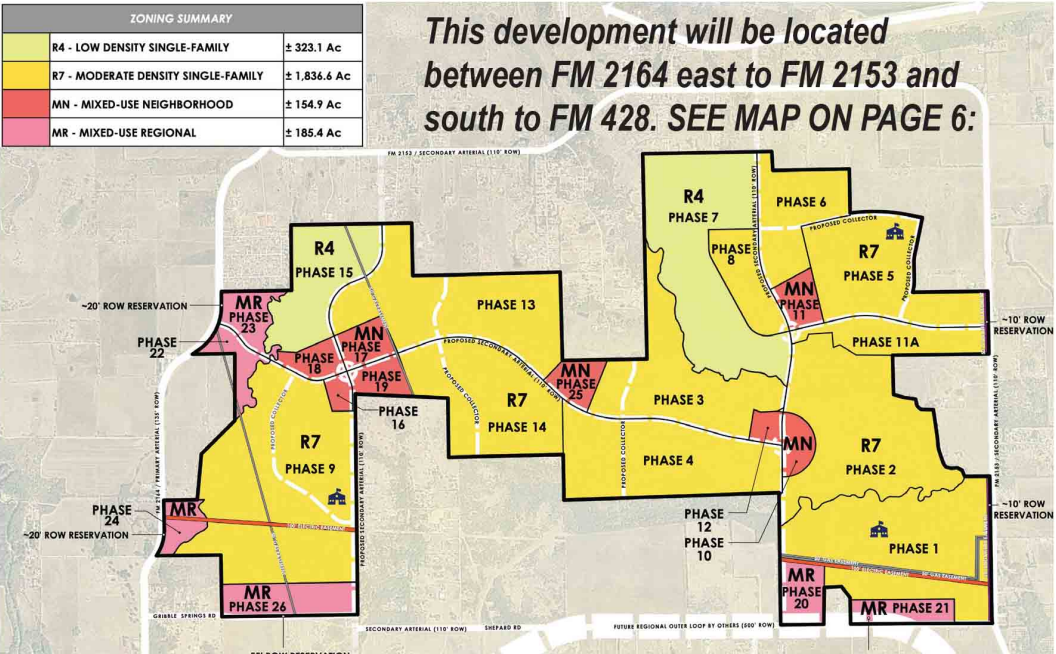
Craver Ranch development approved, includes more than 9,000 residential units

A mixed-use development that will include more than 9,000 residential units and around 1.2 million in commercial space, Craver Ranch, is coming to Denton/Sanger.

Denton Council members approved several requests related to the development during the Dec. 2 meeting. A rezoning request and comprehensive plan amendment for the proposed land use were approved by a 5-2 vote with council members Brian Beck and Suzi Rumohr opposed. A related request to update the mobility plan for the development was approved by a 6-1 vote with Beck voting against.

Additionally, council members approved the creation of the Craver Ranch Municipal Management District, an operating agreement for the municipal management district and a development agreement with Old Prosper Partners, the project's developer, by a 5-2 vote with Beck and Rumohr against.

The municipal management



Most of the phases of the development will be in the middle to latter stages of the project, when it will affect Sanger ISD.

district is a political subdivision created by the 89th Legislature, which council supported the creation of with a resolution in March. The district will be able to levy assessments to residents within Craver Ranch to help pay for infrastructure improvements.

What you need to know

Craver Ranch, which was annexed by the city in 2008 and 2009, is located in far north Denton north of Shepard Road between FM 2164 and FM 2153. The proposed site sits on a property totaling 2,870 acres, about 2,500 of which will be developed. It is located east of Sanger near the Lake Ray Roberts dam.

According to town documents, development at Craver Ranch will include:

- 7,091 single-family residential units
- 1,084 townhomes or other zero-lot line housing units
- 1,015 multifamily units
- Around 1.24 million square feet of commercial space
- 380.5 acres of parkland
- 13.5 miles of public trails and 18.5 miles of shared-use paths
- 2 tracts of land for future fire stations
- 3 tracts of land for two future Denton ISD schools and one Sanger ISD school

“It’s that product mix that you all are looking for in order to encourage people to stay within that community and not move out of Denton,” said Alexa Knight, a representative of the developer.

The project will require at least 20 years to build out, which translates to about 400 new homes per year, Knight added. At build-out, the estimated value of the development is \$5.1 billion, per city documents.



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The proposed development location is near two proposed alignments for the regional outer loop project overseen by the Texas Department of Transportation. No alignment has been selected, but one would run through the proposed development while the other would pass just south. TxDOT officials are expected to complete the study for the area in fall 2026.

Mia Hines, a senior planner with the City of Denton, said the master-planned community proposal is similar to other proposals approved in communities with frontage on the outer loop, such as Celina.

“Around this outer loop, we’re seeing a lot of master-planned types of communities,” Hines said.

One resident who lives near Craver Ranch, Olivia Lilley, said approving the development will impact which outer loop alignment is chosen by TxDOT.

“If you were to pass these items tonight with this developer, it would affect the outer loop alignment,” Lilley said. “Now, it’ll go through our homes and our land.”

Additionally, the approved

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OBITUARIES...

Michael Reuben Nowlin

September 29, 1993 - December 1, 2025

Michael Reuben Nowlin, 32, of Sanger, Texas, passed away at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas on December 1, 2025. He was born on September 29, 1993, to Michael Nowlin and Wendy Giles.

Michael graduated proudly from Sanger High School in 2013. Michael was well known and loved by many. Michael grew up with his dad by his side teaching him many trades in life. They were best friends. Michael had a passion for riding motorcycles and working on cars.

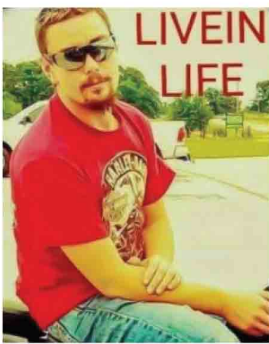
He proceeded in death after his one true love, Kimberlee Sebastian, in 2018

Those surviving to cherish his memory are dad Michael Nowlin and wife Crystal Nowlin of Forestburg, Tx. Mother Wendy Shuker and husband Derrik Shuker of Saint Jo, Texas. Two brothers Cody Morgan of Forestburg, Tx and Aiden Michael Giles of Houston. Aunt Dawn Nowlin of Grand Prairie, Tx. He had many loving cousins.

Services for Michael will be posted on his FaceBook page at a later date.

Friends and loved ones are invited to share memories or offer condolences to the family in the online book at www.cokerfuneralhome.com

We love you son...Fly high...till we meet again!



John Patrick Rowell

March 19, 1945 - November 25, 2025

John Patrick "Jack" Rowell was born on March 19, 1945 in Wichita Falls, Texas to Joseph William Sr & Patricia Rowell and went to be with his Lord and Savior on November 25, 2025 at the age of 80 years.

Jack worked hard and played hard his entire life. He was an avid hunter hunting all over Texas and Colorado. He was also an avid water skier, snow skier and scuba diver. He was an excellent mechanic. He worked for Lee Jarmon ford in Carrollton for many years. He also had short stints with Ford dealerships in Los Angeles, Ca and Miami, Fl while vacationing with lifelong friend Larry Osborne. He then opened his own business "121 Auto Sales" in Lewisville, Tx with his former wife Pamela Rowell. He went on from there to buying, updating and reselling real estate properties. His enjoyment in life was working and staying busy.

He is survived by his brothers, Bill Rowell and wife Mary, of Denton, Tx., and Jim Rowell and wife Cheryl, of Sanger, Tx., sons, Jody Rowell and wife Kristy of Ladonia, Tx., Jack Rowell Jr. of Waco, Tx. and Daughter, Denise Dawson of Waco, Tx. and former wife Janice Lowe of Waco. Grandchildren, Micheal Rowell, Kimberly Scoggins, Courtney Dawson, John Wesley Dawson, Amanda Kehler, Lauren Estep Black. Also twelve great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents Joseph William Sr. and Patricia Rowell, and former wives Barbara Rowell Slupski, Pamela Knudson, and best friend and partner Karen Spurlock.

Mulkey-Bowles-Montgomery Funeral Home is handling arrangements with any services pending.

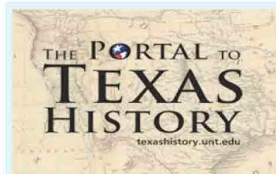


wife Courtney, and Michael McWhorter and wife Sarah, Payton McWhorter and fiancé Maxson Boyd, and Max McWhorter, Kayla Askey and Krista Askey Corbitt and husband Blaine. Also, Jessi Maner and husband Travis, as well as Lauren Wilson and husband, Landon. She is also survived by sixteen great-grandchildren. Also, three sisters: Jessie Arvizu and husband, Alfred, Rachel Hope, Sandy Bowles and husband, D. L., all of Sanger, and sister-in-law Peggy Odom Thomas, as well as many beloved nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, brothers Harvey Wendell Thomas and brother James Wylie Thomas. Also, sister Wanda Reed.

A Celebration of Life for Rae was held on Saturday, December 20, 2025, at the First Baptist Church, 708 S. 5th Street in Sanger, with Bro. Ed Grabner officiating the services.

In honor of Rae's tenure in education, please make memorial donations to the Sanger Education Foundation, <https://SangerEducationFoundation.org>.

Arrangements were with Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. Please share a memory or offer condolences to the McWhorter Family at www.cokerfuneralhome.com.



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Bunny Thomas McWhorter

May 7, 1937 - December 5, 2025

Buena Rae (Bunny) Thomas McWhorter of the Gribble Springs community east of Sanger died on December 5, 2025, in Decatur, Texas. She was born on May 7, 1937, in the Gribble Springs community to James Wylie (Buster) Thomas and Buena Browning Thomas. Rae's (Bunny's) pleasures were Bible study, being with her immediate and extended families and being outdoors. She and her husband spent many enjoyable hours working in their gardens and yard.

She graduated from Sanger High School in 1955 and North Texas State University (now UNT) in 1958. She married Joe W. McWhorter on September 24, 1960. He preceded her in death May 28, 2015. Rae (Bunny) was a public-school teacher. She taught at Calhoun (previously Congress) Jr. High (now middle school) in Denton from 1972-1992. Fond memories of her colleagues, students and teaching experiences brought her moments of joy for the remainder of her life. Rae was a consecrated follower of Christ and regularly met with a Bible study group but was not affiliated with any religious system.

She is survived by her children: Joe Darrell McWhorter and wife Carol of Woodville, TX, Rebecca Rae (Becky) Askey and husband Phillip of Decatur, TX, and Timothy Brent McWhorter and wife Lori of North Richland Hills, TX. Her grandchildren are Jacob McWhorter and wife Hannah, Ross McWhorter and



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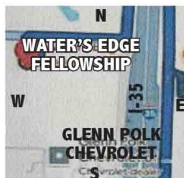
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Mary Lou Graves

December 27, 1945 - December 24, 2025

Mary Lou Graves, a cherished soul born on December 27, 1945, in Olive, TX, departed this world on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2025, in Denton, TX. She lived a life full of warmth, compassion, and independence, leaving behind a legacy that will be lovingly remembered by all who knew her.

Mary Lou dedicated many years of her professional life to the plastic industry, culminating her career at the Anderson Company in Sanger, TX, where she earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues. Her determination and resilience were evident not only in her work but also in her everyday life; she proudly supported herself from the time she graduated from Denton High School until her retirement.

Education played a pivotal role in shaping Mary Lou's life. She attended Denton Schools from the age of 13, where she was inspired by teachers who encouraged her to strive for success. Her firm convictions and independent spirit were hallmarks of her personality, often accompanied by a touch of stubbornness when it came to accepting help from others. Mary Lou found great solace in her faith, seeking comfort in her Bible and the teachings it contained.

Mary Lou's passions extended beyond her work and faith; she embraced life with a joy that was palpable. She delighted in creating sweet gifts of fudge with pecans during the holiday season, a labor of love she found pleasure in after gathering pecans from the trees in her area. Her heart was large and welcoming, especially towards animals. Known for adopting up to six dogs at a time, her compassionate nature extended to all living beings around her.

A proud supporter of veterans, Mary Lou exhibited a deep sense of patriotism that was reflected in her habit of voting in every election. Her commitment to ensuring that children had a joyous Christmas, filled with gifts and treats, showcased her generous spirit and her love for nurturing the younger generation.

In her humble lifestyle, Mary Lou thrived, choosing to live in an RV with her beloved pets, which included her Yorkie and cherished cockatiel bird. She was an avid gardener, taking great pride in tending to her beautiful roses and irises, especially her beloved Kennedy rose. In her downtime, Mary Lou enjoyed watching "Walker, Texas Ranger," and frequently gathered VHS



and DVDs from local thrift stores as a testament to her simple yet fulfilling lifestyle. She also collected angel figurines, gifting them to those she felt needed a guardian angel in their lives.

Mary Lou is survived by her brother, Ernie Graves, and her beloved pet Yorkie, Sandy. She will be deeply missed by her neighbors on Westway and at the RV Ranch on 380, as well as the friends she cultivated at Christian Faith Fellowship Church in Ponder, TX.

Those who left too soon include her mother, Lonnie Bob Graves; father, Marshall E Graves; and brother, Walter Graves. Together in spirit, they embrace Mary Lou with warmth and love as she begins her next journey.

A graveside service to celebrate Mary Lou's life will take place on January 5, 2026, at Roselawn Memorial Park in Denton, TX. As we gather to pay our respects and share cherished memories, we will honor a woman whose life was a testament to joy, resilience, and the profound impact one person can have on others. Mary Lou will forever remain in our hearts and memories, a guiding spirit to all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Domingo Luna Rico

August 4, 1954 - December 16, 2025

Domingo Luna Rico, 71, of Valley View, passed away on December 16, 2025, in Fort Worth, Texas. He was born in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, on August 4, 1954, the son of Isidro Rico Garcia and Maria Piedad Luna Santamaria.

Domingo married Ana Maria Gaytan in Valley View, Texas, on November 19, 1981. The couple settled in Valley View and raised three children there. For four decades, Domingo served as the Dock Supervisor at Martindale Feed Mill.

He is preceded in death by his father, Isidro.

Those surviving to cherish Domingo's memory are his wife, Ana Maria Rico of Valley View; his mother, Maria Piedad of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico; one daughter, Ofelia Rico Torres of Gainesville; two sons, Domingo Rico Jr. of Mission and Cesar Rico of Aubrey; five sisters, Ma. Guadalupe Rico Luna of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, Carmela Ruiz of Ringling, Oklahoma, Agustina Patlan of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, Ma. Elena Cervantes of Valley View, and Piedad Rico Luna of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico; seven brothers, Jose Juan Rico of Valley View, Josafat Rico of Ringling, Oklahoma, Ramiro Rico of Plant



City, Florida, Paulino Rico of Valley View, Jesus Rico of Valley View, Miguel Rico of Joshua, and Eduardo Rico of Ringling, Oklahoma; eight grandchildren, Samantha Alexis Torres, Xavier Aron Torres, Isaiah Rico, Isaac Rico, Ilias Rico, Aiden Rico, Sophie Rico, and Tyler Rico; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

A visitation for Domingo was held 6:00 – 8:30 PM on Friday, December 19th, 2025, at Coker Funeral Home in Sanger, Texas.

A funeral mass was held 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 20th, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 825 N. Weaver Street, Gainesville, Texas. Father John Pacheco officiated.

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Join the trend with these New Year resolutions



With the new year around the corner, many people are setting goals for 2026. After months of rising prices on everything from milk to mortgages, money-related resolutions are prominent.

One out of four Americans (27%) plan to make 2026 the year of their financial comeback, according to 2025 research from Edward Jones and Morning Consult. Others will continue with previous goals (21%), start from scratch (20%) or catch up on missed goals (14%).

Here are their top three financial goals and what to consider if you

make one or more of these yours.

Boost your income: Get creative with your time and interests. Consider side hustles such as delivery driving, pet sitting or tutoring. Perhaps you can sell things online that you no longer need. And if you traditionally get a refund on your tax return, consider adjusting your withholdings so less is taken from your paychecks.

To indirectly increase your income, cut your expenses. Every dollar saved effectively increases the “income” side of your budget. The biggest categories Americans plan to cut are restaurants and subscriptions.

Build up savings: Whether you’re planning for a vacation or creating an emergency fund, having accessible cash means you’re less likely to rely

on credit cards. And credit cards can incur interest charges if you don’t pay the full amount due every month.

To save for something specific, calculate how much you’ll need and by when. Then break it down into monthly targets to help make your goal tangible and achievable.

For an emergency fund, build toward three to six months of living expenses. And remember: an emergency fund is for true emergencies – think medical bills, major auto or furnace repairs, not a TV on sale.

Pay off debt: Every payment brings you closer to a life of financial freedom. Start by listing all your debts and their interest rates. Then choose one of these payoff strategies.

The Avalanche Method: You’ll pay off the debt

with the highest interest rate first. With that paid, you’ll move on to the next highest. This reduces the amount of interest you pay over time, which generally means a lower total cost and often a shorter payoff period.

The Snowball Method: You’ll pay off the card with the lowest balance first, then move to the next smallest balance. This may offer quicker gratification as the number of creditors can dwindle faster.

The Consolidation Method: You may be able to bundle and refinance high interest credit card debts to a 0% bank card for 12 months or longer.

With any of these methods, don’t ignore your other debts. You’ll still need to pay the minimum balances due on mortgages, auto loans and other credit cards to keep interest rates and late payment fees from accruing and your credit score from dropping.

Ready to join the trend? Across the country, millions of people are committing to improving their financial situation, and ultimately their financial future. By joining this trend, you’re not just setting goals—you’re shaping a life of freedom and possibility.

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This system also provides an opportunity for you to share your feedback. If you choose to provide your cell phone number, you'll receive a text with a link to evaluate your interaction with the officer. You can also access the survey using the QR code on the citation or warning.

I know being stopped isn't anyone's favorite moment, especially if a ticket is involved. However, regardless of the reason for the interaction, our expectation is that every officer treats you with professionalism and respect. This feedback is your chance to let us know how we're doing. The survey includes a 1–5 rating scale and space for written comments, and we truly value your input.

Over the past year, 328 people have taken the time to complete a review, and our officers have earned an average rating of 4.3 out of 5. Considering that some ratings reflect frustration with receiving a ticket rather than the interaction itself, that score speaks volumes about the dedication of our team.

Thank you for helping us stay accountable and for partnering with us to keep Sanger safe. Please continue to drive safely, and if we happen to catch you in a momentary lapse, we hope you'll take a moment to let us know how we're living up to our mission.

Tyson Cheek
Chief of Police
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🌟🎄 Christmas on the Square & Holiday Parade 2025 🎄🌟

That's a wrap, Sanger! Grinchmas (Christmas) on the Square and the Holiday Parade are officially in the books, and what an incredible celebration it was. From twinkling lights and festive floats to smiling faces and holiday cheer, our community truly showed up.

📷 The photo album is now live!
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Thank you to everyone who came out and helped make this event so special. This is what the holidays in Sanger are all about. 💙🌟

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Sanger Police Department hires three new officers....

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Craver Ranch

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mobility plan amendment will allow a proposed east-west connector arterial to run around an existing floodplain as opposed to through it, according to city documents.

What they're saying

During the meeting, several residents voiced their opposition, citing increases in traffic, inadequate infrastructure in the area and impacts to the area's environment, such as displacing wildlife.

Some council members also expressed concern about the cost of extending infrastructure and city services, and the compatibility with the city's comprehensive plan.

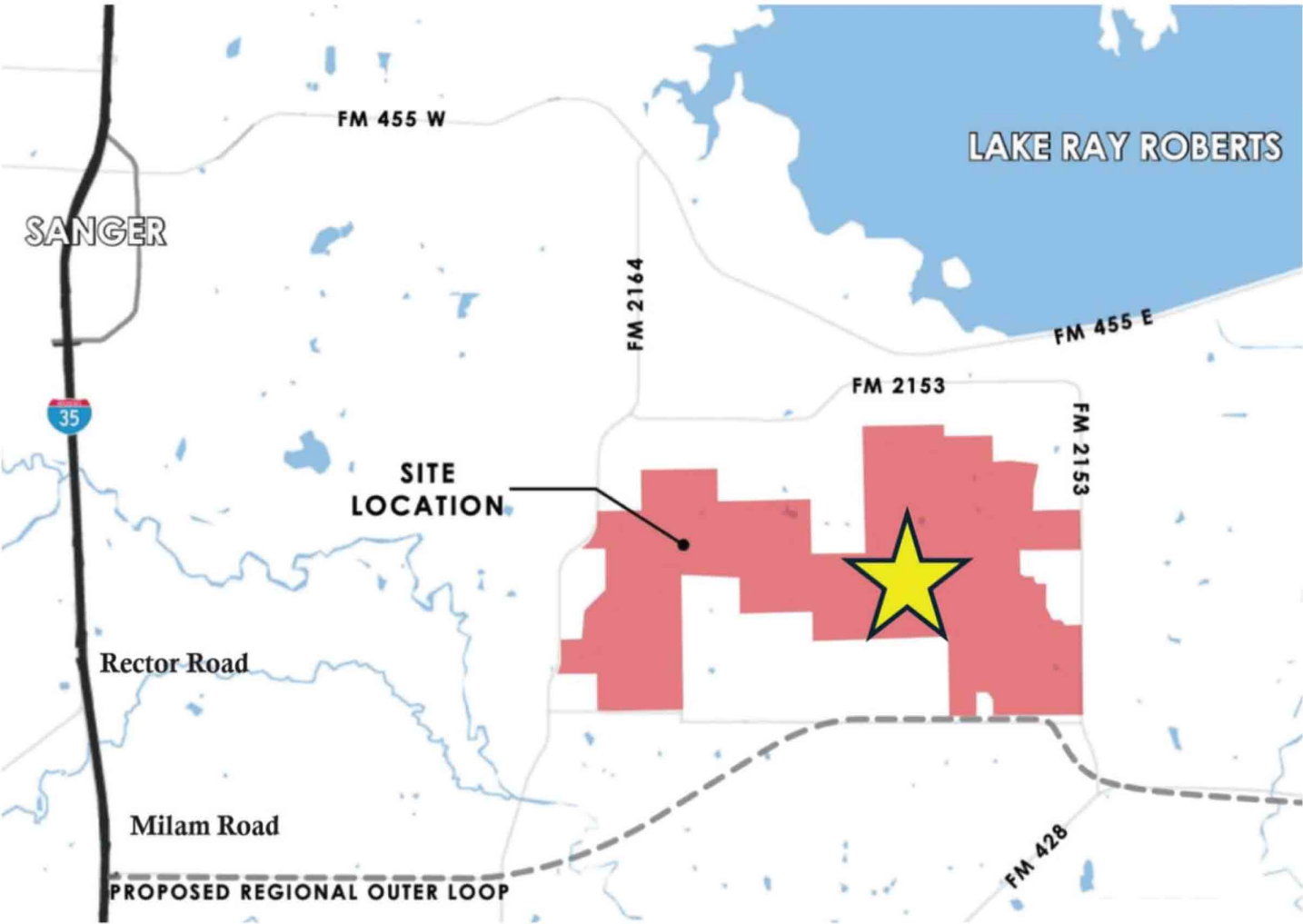
"We have to make the right decision not to do leapfrog [development]," Beck said. "It costs extra to the city. This will not pay for itself."

Other council members cited potential benefits, such as building more homes to meet the area's population growth.

"I am of the opinion that when there is more housing available, it drives down the price of housing for everybody," council member Brandon Chase McGee said. "By virtue of the next 20 years of this project, if it is completed and built out, it will provide more housing options for people who are coming here, allowing many of us to stay in our homes."

What's next?

Hines said the proposal for



This development will be located between FM 2164 east to FM 2153 and south to FM 428.

the project shows 26 phases. It is expected to be built out over at least 20 years, Knight added.

Development of the site will likely begin in around three years, Knight said.



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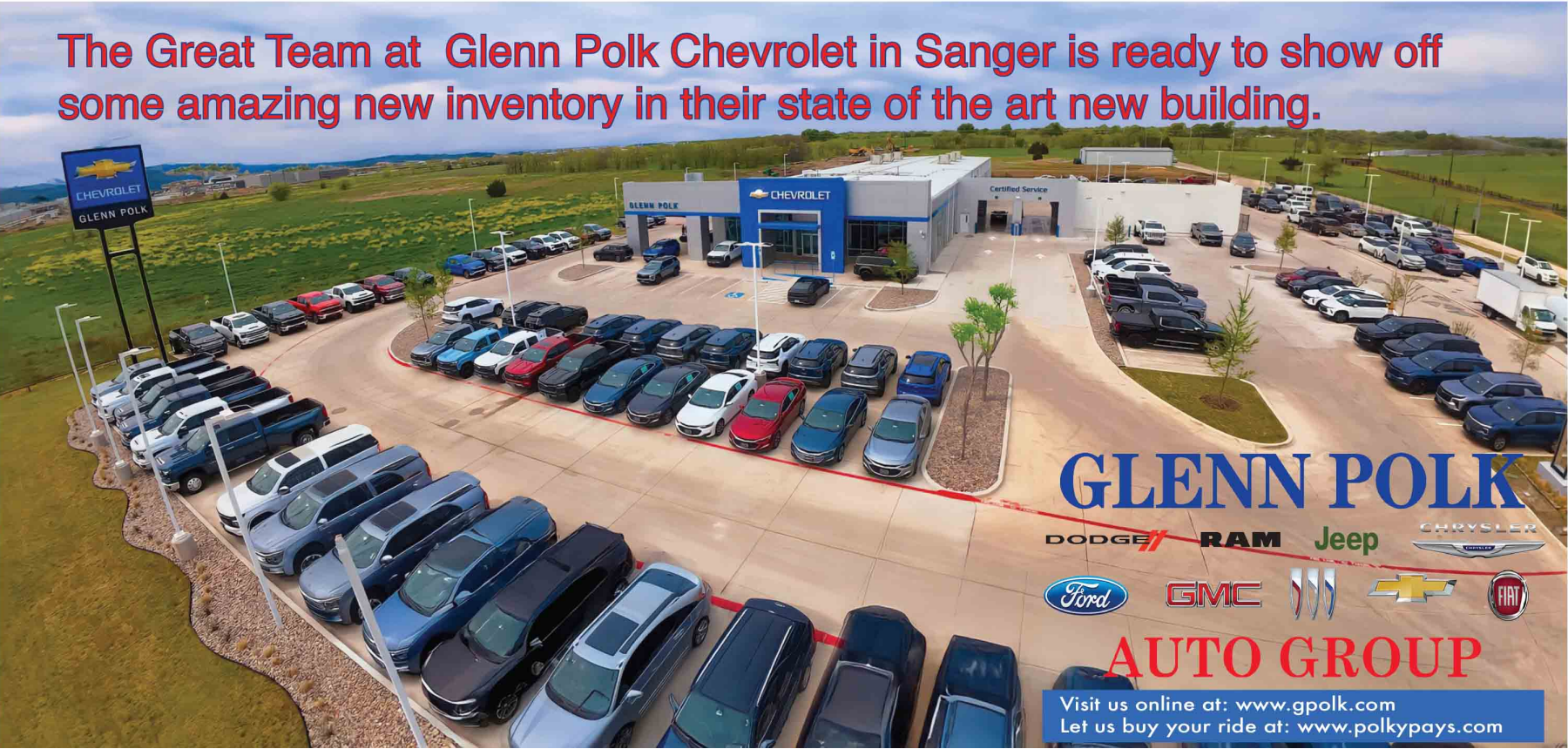


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Zoe Stephenson - Alto Saxophone
Micah Guajardo - French Horn
Axle Morgan - Trombone
Jocelyn Garcia - Trombone

Two of our students are advancing to the Area round of auditions in January to fight for a chance to make the ATSSB All State band which is the best of the best 100 students from across the state!

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- 1 Reed Sebastian 12th QB
- 4 Joel Rodriguez 12th WR
- 15 Wyatt Pennington 11th H
- 76 Camden Turbeville 12th OL
- 67 Zane Garcia 12th OL
- 44 JJ Mikas 12th DL
- 6 Luke Hendricks 11th DB
- 0 Max Taylor 11th LB

2ND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT

- 3 Levi Hendricks 11th DB/WR
- 75 Johnny Valdez 12th OL
- 66 Jayson Lemayan 12th OL
- 56 Connor Tillison 12th DL
- 7 Jaise Jackson 12th DB
- 11 Kale Barr 11th LB
- 32 Creedon Boerner 11th LB
- 50 Josh Lindsey 11th DE

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- 14 Bola Ogunwuyi RB
- 20 Chris Ramirez DB
- 12 Jonas Autry DB



Sanger Football

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DISTRICT 5-4A 1ST TEAM

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SPORTS

Lady Indians start district 1-1

The Sanger Lady Indians varsity basketball team fell to district foe Van Alstyne, 46-39, recently. They are 11-8 overall and 1-1 in district.

It was a tale of two halves in a hard-fought district matchup against the Van Alstyne Lady Panthers.

Sanger trailed 31-9 at halftime, but the Lady Indians came out of the locker room with a completely different energy. Locked-in defense and improved execution sparked a big second-half push, as Sanger outscored Van Alstyne 30-15 after the break and cut the deficit to single digits late in the 4th quarter.

Despite the rally and momentum swing, the comeback came up just short.

Sanger: 7, 4, 16, 12: 39
VA: 23, 8, 9, 6: 46

Sanger:

Vivianne Lynch 3
Nevaeh Sutherland 2
Jasmine Pace 2
Laurisa Miskell 2

Madison Biediger 2
Bailey Newton 12
Alissa Spillman 4
Sarah Dee 12

2025-26 SHS VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL ROSTER:

#1	Addy Garza	5' 5"	fr
#2	Vivianne Lynch	5' 6"	jr
#3	Nevaeh Sutherland	5' 6"	jr
#5	Molly Schmucker	5' 9"	jr
#10	Callie Miller	5' 8"	jr
#11	Jasmine Pace	5' 10"	jr
#12	Laurisa Miskell	5' 10"	fr
#22	Bailey Newton	5' 7"	sr
#23	Alissa Spillman	5' 2"	fr
#33	Am'arie White	5' 8"	sr
#44	Sarah Dee	5' 7"	jr

Head Coach: Derek Hilliard

Head Assistant / A.D. : Tracy Sykes

Assistant Coaches: Brianna Whitley, Jeremy Harvey

Managers: Farah Hughey, Lexi Reyes, Brianna Alvarado

Filmer: Annabelle Doubet

SHS varsity basketball starts district January 2

The Indians varsity basketball team starts district on Friday, January 2 at Aubrey High School with a 3:30 p.m. tipoff over the holiday break.

SHS coach Bubba Stastny and the Indians are off to another good non-district start at 10-4. They play in the NCTC Tournament in Gainesville Dec. 29-31.

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	Sr.	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"

Head Coach: Bubba Stastny

Asst: Erik McNairy and Tate Chupp

SHS remains in Class 4A Division II



The UIL recently released all Texas High School enrollment cutoffs and Sanger High School (880) will remain in Class 4A Division II, with one of the larger enrollments in this division in the state. The cutoff to move up to 4A D1 is 896 students. The new UIL district announcement is expected February 2-3. Sanger Sports Corner has an early prediction for the Indians.

SSC's Prediction

4A Division II – District 5

- Gainesville
- Sanger
- Van Alstyne
- Krum
- Farmersville
- Ponder
- Bonham

CONFERENCE CUTOFFS

	ENROLLMENT	#OF SCHOOLS
CONFERENCE 6A	2,215 & ABOVE	251
CONFERENCE 5A	1,305 - 2,214	250
CONFERENCE 4A	550 - 1304	224
CONFERENCE 3A	246 - 549	232
CONFERENCE 2A	105 - 245	225
CONFERENCE 1A	104.9 & BELOW	223

FOOTBALL CONFERENCE CUTOFFS

FOOTBALL CONFERENCE & DIVISION	ENROLLMENT	#OF SCHOOLS
5A-DIVISION I	1830 - 2214	127
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

UIL football divisions for 2026-27 and 2027-28

School	Enrollment	Football Division	Cutoff
Braswell	2,783	Class 6A	2,215 or more
Guyer	2,588	Class 6A	2,215 or more
Ryan	2,142	5A Division I	1,830-2,214
Denton High	2,049	5A Division I	1,830-2,214
Argyle	1,736	5A Division II	1,305-1,829
Aubrey	1,258.5	4A Division I	896-1,304
Lake Dallas	1,230	4A Division I	896-1,304
Sanger	880	4A Division II	550-895
Krum	795	4A Division II	550-895
Ponder	560	4A Division II	550-895
Pilot Point	531	3A Division I	367-549

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Friday	1/2/2026	Girls Basketball vs Aubrey*	Aubrey	6:15 PM	Afford it	Beaver Builders	Church of Christ
Friday	1/2/2026	Boys Basketball vs Aubrey*	Aubrey	7:30 PM	House of Carts	HRE & DHCI	Church of Christ
Tuesday	1/6/2026	Girls Basketball vs Panther Creek*	SHS	6:15 PM	Afford it	Beaver Builders	All Seasons
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SHS GIRLS BASKETBALL MONTHLY SCHEDULE:

Date	Opponent	Location	JV Gold	JV Purple	Varsity
Dec. 30	Venus	SHS	DNP	1:00	2:15
Jan. 2	Aubrey	Aubrey	3:30	1:00	2:15
Jan. 6	Panther Creek	SHS	DNP	5:00	6:15
Jan. 9	Lake Dallas	Lake Di	5:00	6:15	7:30
Jan. 13	Gainesville (TEACHER NIGHT)	SHS	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan. 16	Prosper Richland	Prospe	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan. 20	Celina	SHS	DNP	5:00	6:15
Jan. 23	Van Alstyne	Van Als	DNP	5:00	6:15
Jan. 27	Aubrey (SENIOR NIGHT)	SHS	7:30	5:00	6:15
Jan. 30	Panther Creek	Panthe	DNP	5:00	6:15

SHS BOYS BASKETBALL MONTHLY SCHEDULE:


DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TEAMS/TIMES
MON-WED	DEC. 29-31	FIRST STATE BANK CLASSIC	NCTC	
*FRI	Jan. 2	AUBREY	AWAY	JV-1,9B-2:15,V-3:30
*TUE	Jan. 6	PANTHER CREEK	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*FRI	Jan. 9	LAKE DALLAS	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*TUE Teacher	Jan. 13	GAINESVILLE	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*FRI	Jan. 16	RICHLAND PROSPER	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*TUE	Jan. 20	CELINA	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*FRI	Jan. 23	VAN ALSTYNE	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*TUE- Sr. Night	Jan. 27	AUBREY	HOME	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30
*FRI	Jan. 30	PANTHER CREEK	AWAY	JV-5,9B-6:15,V-7:30



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2026 STUDENT CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2025						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

JANUARY 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	(6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

MARCH 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

APRIL 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

MAY 2026						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Bad Weather Makeup
May 8 / May 15

First / Last Day
Aug. 4 / May 21

Campus	Doors Open	First Bell	Last Bell
Instruction Hours	Breakfast		
Chisholm Trail Elementary	7:10	7:40	3:55
Butterfield Elementary	7:10	7:40	3:55
Clear Creek Elementary	7:10	7:40	3:55
Linda Tutt High School	7:10	7:40	3:55
Sanger Middle School	7:30	7:55	4:10
Sanger High School	7:30	7:55	4:10

** Important Dates **	
Meet the Teacher	July 31
Parent/Teacher Conference	Oct. 10
LTHS Graduation	TBD
SHS Graduation	TBD

Holidays	
Labor Day	Sept. 1
Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 24 - 28
Christmas Break	Dec. 22 - Jan. 5
MLK Day	Jan. 19
Spring Break	Mar. 9 - 13

{Grading Periods}			
1st Nine Weeks	Aug. 4 - Oct. 9	43 Days	
2nd Nine Weeks	Oct. 13 - Dec. 18	36 Days	
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