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School Board moves back the start of school, Distance Learning and In-Class will be offered

At the Sanger ISD board meeting on Monday evening, the board approved the start of school to August 24, 2020 and amended the school calendar. It will allow the teaching staff the time needed to adequately prepare for the upcoming school year. The original start date was August 12.

Along with an amended start date, Sanger ISD has added 10 minutes to the length of the school day to achieve the required instructional minutes for the students. The altered starting and ending time for each campus will be made available very soon. Please continue to check your child's campus website for these updates.

Later this week, they will be releasing Sanger ISD's Return to Learning

UIL says school districts still have final say on if students can participate in athletics if they choose virtual learning

It appeared Friday morning that the University Interscholastic League had changed course and implemented a statewide guideline that would allow students to participate in sports and extracurricular activities if they choose virtual learning over in-person learning, if their school district offers both options because of the coronavirus pandemic.

But in reality, nothing has changed since Wednesday, when the UIL told The Dallas Morning News that it is up to each individual school district to decide if their students are eligible to compete in athletics and extracurricular activities if they choose virtual learning.

The UIL told The News on Friday afternoon that school districts

Plan for this year. All the information pertaining to traditional face-to-face learning, along with the online learning will be detailed in this release. "This year as parents, you have a choice of whether you will send your child to our campuses for traditional learning or keeping your child at home and utilizing our online learning

platform. Both educational platforms will consist of high rigor and expectations you have come accustomed to in Sanger ISD. We will need your help as we plan for next year," stated Sanger ISD Superintendent Dr. Tommy Hunter, in a letter to parents.

According to Texas Education Agency (TEA)

guidelines, SISD cannot ask you to commit to your choice of learning platform for your child until two weeks prior to the start of school. However, in order to help the staff prepare, they will be sending out a non-committal survey seeking information which will assist them in the decision-making process as

the start of school draws closer. Parents participation in completing this survey will contribute to academic planning and be greatly appreciated by the district.

Dr. Hunter is asking for parents continued patience and support as they prepare for this upcoming school year. "The guidance we receive from the

Texas Education Agency and Governor Abbott's office changes frequently the closer we get to August. I apologize for any inconvenience our delay of information has created. We will continue to update you as soon as possible with information surrounding the start of school in August."

NEW 2020-2021 School Year - Sanger ISD COVID-19 Amended Calendar - 7/13/2020

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Semester/Nine-Week

August 24 - October 16 (39 days)
October 20 - December 18 (39 days)
January 6 - March 5 (41 days)
March 16 - May 27 (51 days)

Student Days = 460 Minutes

1st 9 Weeks = 17,940
2nd 9 Weeks = 17,940
3rd 9 Weeks = 18,860
4th 9 Weeks = 23,460
Total Minutes = 78,200
Minutes Needed 75,600

Staff Development/Workday

August 3 - 21, 2020
October 19, 2020
January 5, 2021
March 15, 2021
May 28, 2021

Bad Weather/Make Up
(if needed)
April 2, 2021
April 23, 2021

Holidays and Non-School Days

September 7, 2020 - Labor Day
November 23-27, 2020 - Thanksgiving Holiday
December 21, 2020 - January 4, 2021 - Christmas Holiday
January 18, 2021 - MLK Day
February 15 - Student / Staff Holiday
March 8-12, 2021 - Spring Break
May 31, 2021 - Memorial Day

Early Release

November 20, 2020
December 18, 2020
March 5, 2021
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Graduation
May 25, 2021

January 2021

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SD Staff Development
BW Bad Weather/Make Up

() Begin/End of 9 wks
Holidays/Other Non School
Early Release

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Nan Allen Anderson

1940 - 2020

Nan Allen Anderson was born in Greenwood, MS on January 11, 1940, to S.N. and Helen Allen. She grew up in Moorhead, MS, where she started kindergarten with John Aubrey Anderson, whom she married in 1962. Nan accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior when she was nine years old; a decision that set the trajectory for her life. She was devoted to knowing God and making Him known. As a young woman, she was introduced to Bible Study Fellowship where she nurtured a lifelong love for studying God's word and for teaching women. Nan didn't just teach with her words, she taught with her life; a life she lived with kindness, grace and purpose. Her joy was made complete on July 10th and her family and friends are celebrating that she is safe in God's arms, hearing the words, "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Nan is survived by her husband, John Anderson, daughters, Helen Rose and Aubrea (Ron) Hance, grandchildren, John Graylyn Rose and Reagan Aubrea Rose, sister, Betty Allen Aden and many, many, beloved friends.

A private burial service was held July 14th. A memorial service to celebrate Nan's life will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to:

Woman to Woman Pregnancy Resource Center
P.O. Box 610
Denton, Texas 76202
<https://friendsofdentonprc.org>



Jeffrey Fox

May 11, 1957 - July 5, 2020

Jeffrey Fox, 63, of Denton passed away at his home on July 5, 2020. He was born in Dallas, Texas to Cal Fox and Helen (Cortez) Tippie.

Jeff was a high school graduate of Woodrow Wilson and attended Richland College. He and Connie opened Fox Feed and Ranch, a local feed store servicing the surrounding area, soon after they married while living in Sanger, TX. Jeff enjoyed roping and was honored to be a deacon at Bolivar Baptist Church. Later, they moved to Denton and started Saltwater and Freshwater Fish, Inc., an aquarium fish wholesaler supporting local pet shops as well as Petcos in the state of Texas and beyond. Jeff was an avid hunter, and also enjoyed fishing. People that knew him would agree this his generosity knew no bounds. He would have given you the boots off his feet if you needed them. His warm smile and generous nature always drew people to him. He never missed the opportunity to share the Gospel with anyone that would listen. He was a kind, gentle, thoughtful, and loving family man.

He is survived by his wife, Connie Fox of Denton, son, Clay Fox and Amy Ballesteros of California, daughter, Olivia Fox and Scot Partin of Justin, mother Helen Tippie of Malakoff, sister, Monica Fox of Denton, and brothers, Mark Fox of McKinney and Cotton and Kathy Tolnay of Dallas.

He was preceded in death by his father, as well as his brother, Ricky Fox.

The family had a Celebration of Life Service at Willowood Church of the Nazarene on Thursday, July 9th at 11 am.

The family would also like to thank Heaven at Home for the outstanding care they provided while Jeff was at home. Omar Kabha and Liisa Hodina went above and beyond to provide comfort and care the last two months.



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SANGER ISD SCHOOL BOARD- the new regular meetings will be the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at Denton County Special Education Conference Room, 601 Elm Street in Sanger. Call the Sanger ISD Administration Office at 940-458-7438 for more information.

SANGER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Meets the first Monday of the month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office at 300 Bolivar Street in Downtown Sanger. Call 940-458-7702 for more information.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 268 - SANGER meets the second Thursday of each month at the Sanger Chamber of Commerce, 300 Bolivar Street in Downtown at 6:30 p.m. (Social) and 6:45 p.m. (Meeting). For more information, email: alegion268@yahoo.com or call Tex McDorman at 940-367-1433.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - The Mobile Pantry is held in the parking lot of First Baptist Church, the first Saturday of every month from 11a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and people receive fresh produce and shelf-stable items for free. The pantry will occur every month rain or shine. If you have questions or need more information about volunteering or receiving food, email fridayderyll@gmail.com.

SANGER LIONS CLUB - meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at noon at the Sanger Community Center. For more information, contact Carroll Trego at 940-390-2905.

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Grant Bowles, Pastor

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Birth Announcement

DESMOND DANIEL DOBBS



Natalia and Mathew Dobbs of Dallas, announce the birth of their first child Desmond Daniel Dobbs. Desi was born May 1, 2020 in Dallas, weighing 6 lbs., 13 ounces and 20 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Cindi and J.I. Johnson of Sanger. Paternal grandmother is Jan Wilson of Highland Village and the late Daniel Dobbs. Maternal great grandparents are James and LaWanda Young of Butler, OK and the late Clara Johnson, Corn, OK.

Grant Carter graduates U.S. Merchant Marine Academy



Grant Nelson Carter of Sanger recently graduated from the United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) at Kings Point, NY. Carter earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a commission in the U. S. armed forces. He also earned a Merchant Marine officer license, qualifying him to serve as an officer on any ship in the U.S. flag merchant marine.

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U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao gave the commencement address and told the graduates they "Join a long line of Academy graduates who have served their country with great distinction."

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the Class of 2020 midshipmen returned to USMMA for three weeks in June to prepare for and take their US Coast Guard license exam, four days of tests which midshipmen must pass in order to graduate. This year, the graduation ceremony was held at the War Memorial Monument where the names of the cadets and graduates who died during WWII are remembered. Superintendent RADM Jack Buono stated, "Just as the War Memorial holds 210 names, you are 210 strong... You each carry the name of one of the 210 listed on the War Memorial. By pausing ... and rendering a salute in honor of their sacrifices, you honor them and their memory."

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For more information about the Academy, visit <https://www.usmma.edu/>.

David Logan headed to college



2020 Sanger High School graduate David Logan is headed to college. He is one of four SHS seniors selected to attend Green Oaks Prep School where he'll learn how to support himself and live on his own. SHS is overjoyed with this news. "He's brought our campus so much joy and spirit and we can't wait to see what he'll bring to Green Oaks," said SHS principal Jennie Flaa.

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Weekly Police Report

SANGER DEPARTMENT CALLS

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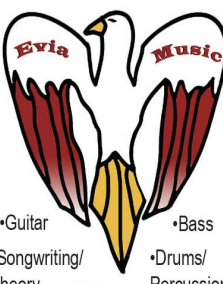
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- 100 BLK WILLOW – CALLER WANTING INFORMATION ABOUT SEX OFFENDER LOCATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS
- 1000 BLK PRIMROSE – SPOKE TO SON AT LOCATION AND EVERYTHING APPEARED TO BE 10-4. HAD HIM GO CHECK ON HIS MOTHER AND FATHER AND HE TOLD ME THEY WERE FINE
- 1000 BLK FM 455 E – ASSISTED DCSO WITH VEHICLE VS LONGHORN ACCIDENT
- 2000 BLK BENJAMIN – MEDICAL CALL
- FM 2164 @ FM 2153 – RESPONDED TO MEDICAL CALL THEN PICKED UP A TIRE JACK IN ORDER TO ASSIST DEPUTY WITH FLAT TIRE
- PEACH @ 5TH – RESPONDED TO CRIMINAL TRESPASS. MALE SUBJECT WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY OFFICER AND TRANSPORTED TO DENTON COUNTY JAIL
- 11000 BLK MARION – LOCATED SOURCE OF NOISE AND ADVISED TENANT TO KEEP IT DOWN
- 900 BLK 7TH ST – COLLECTED A VOLUNTARY STATEMENT FOR A STOLEN MISSING PHONE
- 4000 BLK HIGH PLAINS – NO OFFENSE - VEHICLE WAS REPOSSESSED
- 400 BLK CHAPMAN – FEMALE WALKED OUT WITH OVER 400 DOLLARS WORTH OF LOTTERY TICKETS. LIGHTHOUSE PD LATER FOUND SUBJECT AND WAS ARRESTED

- 700 BLK 5TH ST – WARNING GIVEN FOR SPEED ON 5TH ST
- 4000 BLK BRIDLE PATH – LOCATED SUBJECTS, THEY WERE TOWING THEIR BROKE DOWN VEHICLE FROM THE FIELD. ISSUED WARNING ABOUT TRESPASSING ON PROPERTY
- 100 BLK PINTAIL – MOTHER INTOXICATED AND WILL BE STAYING INSIDE THE HOUSE
- 2ND AT CHAPMAN – ISSUED CITATION FOR DWLI
- 400 BLK HUGHES – NO REPORTED ASSAULT. GAVE THE MALE SUBJECT A COURTESY TRANSPORT TO LOVES
- 200 BLK 3RD – ASSISTED OFFICER WITH COLLECTING INFORMATION REGARDING A BURGLARY
- 2000 FM 455 – ASSISTED OFFICER WITH A CRASH REPORT
- 100 BLK DIANE DR – I DROVE THE AREA AND DID NOT LOCATE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS IN THE AREA
- 200 BLK RAILROAD AVE – PROPERTY OWNER FLAGGED DOWN TO DISCUSS OFFICER BEING OUT AT THE RESIDENCE THE NIGHT PRIOR IN REGARDS TO NEW TENANTS CHILDREN RIDING BIKES IN YARDS AND ON EASEMENTS. NO RECORD OF CONTACT FROM SAPD IN REGARDS
- I35 @ 480 – I MADE CONTACT WITH THE STRANDED MOTORIST WHO HAD NO SPARE OR A JACK. I PROVIDED THEM WITH A COURTESY ESCORT TO THE SANGER INN WHERE THEY WILL SPEND THE NIGHT. I PROVIDED THEM WITH THE INFORMATION TO CONTACT AFFORD IT TIRE IN THE MORNING TO GET A NEW TIRE AND GET BACK ON THE ROAD
- CHAPMAN AT TEJAS – DRIVER OBSERVED CROSSING DOUBLE LINE MULTIPLE TIMES. INITIATED TRAFFIC STOP. DL AND INSURANCE CONFIRMED. DRIVER STATED SHE HAS SOMETHING IN HER EYE. WARNING ISSUED FOR DISREGARD OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE
- 1000 BLK CHAPMAN – WARRANT INVESTIGATION FOLLOW UP WITH EMPLOYER OF SUBJECT. EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN TERMINATED DUE TO NO SHOW. THEY HAVE SINCE FOUND OUT SHE STAYING AT THE COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT IN DENTON, WE CONTACTED THE FRONT DESK AND CONFIRMED THAT SHE

IS STAYING THERE. NOTIFIED CITY OF DENTON WARRANTS DIVISION OF THE WARRANT

- 700 BLK STEMMONS – COMPLAINANT WANTED THINGS FROM HER REPOED VEHICLE. MET WITH OWNER WHO STATED HE ASKED HER TO MAKE AN APPT. OWER AGREED TO GET HER THE BASE OF HER CARSEAT FROM THE VEHICLE BUT REQUIRED APPT FOR REMAINDER OF ITEMS WHICH SHE MADE
- 2000 BLK STEMMONS – COMPLAINANT HAD WALLET STOLEN FROM VEHICLE BETWEEN 6/14 AT 1600 AND 6/18. DEBIT CARD HAS BEEN USED TWICE IN GAINESVILLE AT TWO LOCATIONS. VEHICLE WAS MOST LIKELY LEFT UNLOCKED AND THERE IS NO VISIBLE BROKEN ENTRY
- 600 BLK STEMMONS – ASSISTED OFFICER WITH A PUBLIC INTOX ARREST
- 200 BLK COLONIAL HEIGHTS – ASSISTED OFFICERS WITH HIT AND RUN. LOCATED DRIVER AND HE WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL AND JAIL
- 100 BLK SOUTHSIDE – COMPLETING A STATEMENT FOR VIOLATION OF PROTECTIVE ORDER
- I35 @ 478 – ASSISTED OFFICER ON A CRASH
- 4000 BRIDAL PATH – REMOVED A PORT A POTTY FROM THE ROAD WAY
- 9000 BLK GREGORY – ASSISTED DSCO
- WILLOW AT JONES – SPEEDING CITATION
- FM 455 AT ACKER – SPEEDING CITATION
- MANDARIN AT RINGNECK – ONLINE COMPLAINT ABOUT CAMPER PARKED IN ROADWAY. VEHICLE IS A RV AND NOT A CAMPER TRAILER. NO CONTACT WAS MADE
- 1000 BLK PORTER PLACE – COMP WANTED TO SPEAK WITH OFFICERS REGARDING AN EVICTION. I ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT PREVIOUS TENANTS AND NO ANSWER
- METZ @ BELZ – ASSISTED FD WITH REMOVING TREES FROM ROADWAY
- 300 BLK DEER RUN – VERBAL ARGUMENT BETWEEN MOTHER AND DAUGHTER. ALL ADULT CHILDREN LIVING IN THE HOUSE WITH MOTHER AND STEP FATHER. NO OFFENSE OCCURRED

- 1000 BLK CHAPMAN – SUBJECT WAS TRANSPORTED BY EMS
- 5000 BLK CORONA DR – ASSISTED OFFICER WITH INDIVIDUAL WHO DROVE THROUGH HIS YARD
- 10000 BLK MARION – MALE SUBJECT CRIMINALLY TRESPASSED FROM LOCATION



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SISD Letter from Superintendent Dr. Tommy Hunter

Dear Sanger ISD Families,

In an effort to allow our teaching staff the time needed to adequately prepare for the upcoming school year, our school board unanimously adopted an amended school calendar at last night’s school board meeting. The new calendar for Sanger ISD’s 2020-2021 school year has a student start date of August 24, 2020.

Along with an amended start date, Sanger ISD has added 10 minutes to the length of our school day to achieve the required instructional minutes for our students. The altered starting and ending time for each campus will be made available very soon. Please continue to check your child’s campus website for these updates.

Later this week, we will be releasing Sanger ISD’s Return to Learning Plan for this year. All the information pertaining to traditional face-to-face learning, along with our online learning will be detailed in this release. This year as parents, you have a choice of whether you will send your child to our campuses for traditional learning or keeping your child at home and utilizing our online learning platform. Both educational platforms will consist of high rigor and expectations you have come accustomed to in Sanger ISD. We will need your help as we plan for next year.

According to Texas Education Agency (TEA) guidelines, we as a district cannot ask you to commit to your choice of learning platform for your child until two weeks prior to the start of school. However, in order to help our staff prepare, we will be sending out a noncommittal survey seeking information which will assist us in our decision-making process as the start of school draws closer. Your participation in completing this survey will contribute to our academic planning and be greatly appreciated.

Lastly, I ask for your continued patience and support as we prepare for this upcoming school year. The guidance we receive from the Texas Education Agency and Governor Abbott’s office changes frequently the closer we get to August. I apologize for any inconvenience our delay of information has created. We will continue to update you as soon as possible with information surrounding the start of school in August.


Stay safe and enjoy the rest of your summer vacation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Hunter


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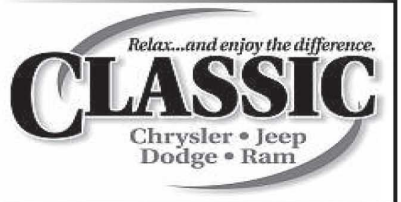

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Protect Yourself Against Financial Scammers

It's unfortunate, but true: During this period of economic uncertainty, one of the busiest "industries" has been financial scamming. But it goes on even during normal times, too, so you'll want to know what to look for, and how to defend yourself.

For starters, just how widespread is financial fraud? Consider this: In 2019, more than 3.2 million fraud cases were reported to the Federal Trade Commission, with identity theft being the most common type of fraud, accounting for about one-fifth of the overall cases. And fraudulent new accounts (mortgages, student loans, car loans and credit cards) amounted to about \$3.4 billion in 2018, according to a study by Javelin Strategy & Research.

To help yourself from being victimized, consider the following suggestions. They are certainly not an exhaustive list, but they should prove useful.

Watch out for unsecure websites. Make sure a website is secure before entering any payment

or personal information. Look for sites that start with HTTPS, rather than those with just HTTP, which are not secure and can be hacked. But even a site with HTTPS can still be used by scammers, so, if you don't recognize the name of the company or group that's requesting your information, do some research to make sure it's legitimate.

Review your credit reports. As mentioned above, the fraudulent opening of new accounts is a big source of financial scams. To be sure nobody has opened new accounts under your name, try to review your credit reports at least once a year. You can get them for free at AnnualCreditReport.com.

Follow up on fraud. If you've already been victimized by having new accounts opened in your name, contact one of the three major credit reporting agencies (Experian, Equifax or TransUnion) and place a 90-day fraud alert on your credit file. You might also want to file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission, print it out and file it with your local law enforcement agency. And it's also a good idea to contact the fraud department of the financial companies where the thief has opened a fraudulent account in your name.

Be alert for suspicious links. "Phishers" have gotten quite good at sending out messages that look

like they're from reputable businesses. But if you examine these messages carefully, you can usually determine if there's something off about them. For example, no legitimate business will tell you, via this type of message, that you have to "correct your account" by providing additional information. And if you do hit the link provided, and it takes you to a third-party site, you can be pretty sure it's bogus.

Resist "act now" offers. If you get an offer, via phone or online, urging you to "act immediately" on an investment opportunity, discontinue the communication. No reputable financial advisor will ever try to force you to take such swift action, and if an investment is legitimate, it will be available tomorrow, next week and next year.

Use your shredder. You probably have the option to "go paperless" with all your banks and financial services providers, but, if you still do receive paper documents, be sure to shred them when they're no longer needed.

You save and invest for years to help achieve your long-term goals. Don't let any of your efforts be undone by financial fraudsters.

Allen Chick is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones in Sanger. He can be reached at 940-458-7866.

SHS students qualify for state bass tournament



Sanger High School students Ezra Walden and Peyton Punches placed 4th overall for the season at the North Texas Division Angler of the Year competition. There were over 200 teams in their division. They also advanced to the state championship this month on



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supersede the UIL eligibility requirements in this matter. The UIL said that a district can still implement its own requirements and can rule that students are ineligible for extracurricular activities, including athletics, if they choose virtual learning.

Sanger ISD Superintendent Dr. Tommy Hunter confirmed this week that all students can participate in UIL, regardless of learning platform - face to face or online.

SISD athletes can do distance learning this year. Athletes will be encouraged to do their classes at school, but will be allowed to do sports this year, if they come to the athletic period and practices, according to SHS head football coach Rocky Smart, in an email Wednesday.

Of course, it still remains to be seen if high school sports can be played this fall. The UIL has not announced its plans yet.

In an appearance with WFAA last week, Gov. Greg Abbott said he thinks the UIL might be waiting until the school year gets a bit closer before revealing any plans.

"I'm sure that you have noticed and perhaps reported that as these

teams have returned to practice, there have been outbreaks of COVID among teammates," he said. "And obviously it would be challenging to put a season together if that is happening. Let us get a bit closer to the season beginning and I know the UIL will be basing rules upon what is in the best interest for the health and safety of the players, of the students, of the par-



ents."

Here is an update on the UIL's website: "Students participating in remote learning offered by their school district, whether synchronous or asynchronous (as defined by TEA), may participate in UIL activities if they meet all other UIL eligibility requirements. Students must be enrolled in remote learning options through the school the student will represent. Schools may develop local policies with additional requirements for participation."

That last sentence gives individual school districts the power to make their own decisions.

The UIL said that the eligibility rule that it post-

ed Friday morning is not a new rule. The UIL said it posted the update because it "wanted to highlight it on the COVID-19 page because we were getting a lot of questions about virtual learning and eligibility."

In providing clarification Friday afternoon, the UIL referenced back to requirements for "online courses" that were already on the UIL website.

Here is a question and answer within that section: May an online course be counted for eligibility purposes as it relates to the full time student rule?

"Yes, based on the understanding that any online or virtual class, taken via the TxVSN or other district and state approved provider, is handled through the local independent school district in which the student is enrolled, the following information would apply:

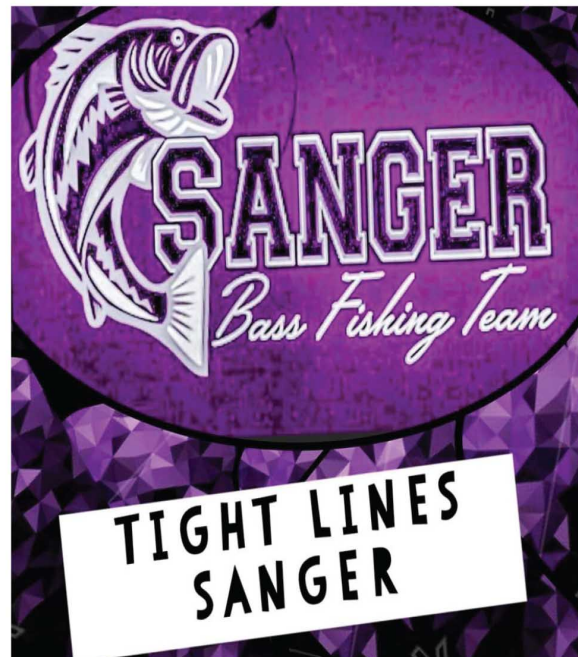
Online courses would count toward determining the full time student status of a participant. Each online course taken through the district would count equivalent to the amount of time spent each day at school for a student taking that course or a similar course as part of their regular school day."

Then comes the key part of that section, as it reads: "It is important to remember that school districts may voluntarily

impose stricter standards than those cited in this document."

The UIL said that the only thing that was new in last week's update was this: "For the 2020-2021 school year, UIL eligibility requirements for the first six weeks of school have been modified to allow a student to be eligible for the first six weeks if they accumulated at least two and a half credits since the start of the 2019-2020 school year. Schools may impose additional requirements."

Last week area football coaches had expressed concerns about letting districts decide eligibility for sports if virtual learning was a student's primary choice. Their biggest worry was an uptick in transfers due to different rules in different districts.



Sign up for SHS Bass Fishing Team

Did you know that Sanger High School has a competitive bass fishing team?! Our 1st tournament will be in September 2020, so we are already making preparations for the 2020/2021 team. If you are interested in joining, please contact Shauna Falcinelli at shauna.falcinelli@sangerisd.net for more information.

Champions Camp Update - Physicals, Parent Meetings announced
(7-12 male athletes & football players)

In this announcement SHS Head Football Coach Rocky Smart provided information on the camp, parent meetings later in the summer, and Physical information. "Thank you for your patience and support this summer as the UIL has adjusted the guidelines for summer workouts several times due to the circumstances we are dealing with related to COVID-19. We are excited that on July 13th we were allowed to start doing competition related sport skills in camp with group and team activities. Athletes will need to wear a mask to camp. They will take it off during workouts, but the UIL requests that they wear one when they come to workout, and put it back on when they leave at the end of our workout."

Monday to Thursday Daily Overview: Subject to Change

7-8 AM—45 minutes of Football Skills for 7-12th grade on the football/practice field areas (if you do not play football you will not report until 7:58AM)
8-8:45 AM & 8:45-9:30 AM 7-9th grade & 10-12th grade will do agility and weights separately. If you do not play basketball or baseball you can leave at 9:30 AM
9:45-10:30 AM 45 minutes of basketball skills for 7-9th grade at the Indian Gym on the Middle School Campus on Mondays and Thursdays.
9:45-10:30 AM 45 Minutes of baseball skills at the High School Baseball Field on Tuesday and Wednesday unless we are off that day
10:30-11:30 AM—45 minutes of Basketball Skills for 10-12th grade Monday to Thursday. Location TBA

Specific Information for each camp week:

July 13th Camp Week 4: Monday July 13th to Thursday July 16th
July 20th Camp Week 5: Monday July 20th to Thursday July 23rd
July 27th Camp Week 6: Monday July 27th to Thursday July 30th

UIL Pre-Participation Physicals:

Incoming 7th grade athletes: All 7th graders must have a physical to participate in sports during the 2020-2021 school year. Your doctor will need to fill out page 2 and the parent/guardian will fill out page 1. Here is a link to the paperwork needed: https://www.uil-texas.org/files/athletics/forms/PrePhysFormRvdsd4_24_20.pdf

Incoming 8th to 12th grade athletes: The UIL is allowing the 2019-2020 physical to be used during the 2020-2021 school year as long as the student athlete did not have an injury, etc during the past year.

Football Parent Meeting Information:

Monday July 27th High School Parent Football Meeting and Equipment Fitting at 6:00 PM
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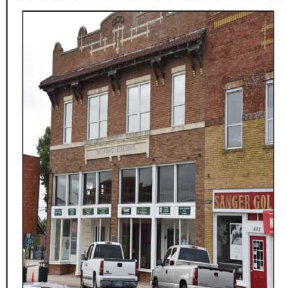
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Polka-dotted leaves

On my morning stroll, I noticed that many of the neighborhood trees have polka-dotted leaves. What is that? Why is it happening? When should we freak out? Thus, I decided to write about things to worry about and things to not worry about (probably).

Every year, the joy of gardening includes disease or insects attacking your tree. As I mentioned in an earlier column (you are collecting them all, right?) everything was just perfect for oak leaf blister to show up in all the live oaks. This caused deformity of the leaves, but otherwise not a big deal.

With all the rain we have received, we have several fungi having a big time splashing around on leaves. These fungal pathogens manifest as spots on leaves, a powdery look, or even odd shaped blotches. If you have a healthy tree, these diseases aren't anything to worry about too much. If you did get a very severe case, there are fungicides available to use. One way to keep your tree healthier is to avoid watering the leaves of trees. Watch where those sprinklers hit, the spores of the fungus literally bounce around with water. Best practice also recommends to remove fallen leaves and branches so there is not a safe harbor for overwintering. Be careful with fertilization, lush growth is more appealing to both disease and insects.

If every year you seem to have the same spots, a preventative fungicide in the spring might be helpful. However as I've mentioned, if conditions hit just right, you probably can't prevent it nor should you fret over it.

It's not unusual to have insect damage on trees. They've gotta make a living, too. Most of the time, they come do a little snacking (maybe not even noticeable) and either they move on or get eaten by something else. Make sure you aren't killing the beneficial insects that are there to eat the bad guys. Also, keep in mind that butterflies and moths come from leaf-chewing caterpillars. Caterpillars cause damage, but aren't they so pretty when they grow up?

I know you are thinking, but what CAN I worry about? Here are a few things.

Look at your trees and the way the trunk goes into the ground. If it looks like a telephone pole going straight into the ground, that's a problem. Trees need the root flares exposed.

If you have mulch (proud of ya for having mulch) around your trees, make sure it is NOT touching the trunk of the tree. It may be fashionable to create these monstrous volcanoes of mulch around the tree but it is absolutely devastating for the tree. Don't do it.

What's your lawn look like? If you have lush vibrant green St Augustine or even Bermuda grass, you may be over watering the trees. Or watering them too shallow and frequently. Our native post oaks are the fussiest trees around. Nothing makes them happy, really. They don't live well with disturbance around the roots or overwatering. If you have post oaks in your landscape and they are thriving as is your lawn.... don't change a thing. It's

working, it doesn't make sense but don't fix what ain't broke.

If you can reach any limbs of your tree, look at the very newest growth. The new growth will be on a little branch that may look a different color or be less woody. That little branch of new growth is how much your tree has grown this season. If you see several inches, you've got a robust tree. If it is stubby or less than two inches, you may have a stressed tree. This is not a hard and fast rule, trees grow at different speeds. But, it can be an indicator



of health and vigor.

Speaking of reaching limbs, I venture a guess that most trees are not pruned correctly. Trees don't need to be pruned, so you can take that off your annual to-do list. Young trees can be pruned in order to establish a good structure. If limbs are crossing or broken or dead, they need to be removed. What I see though, are mature trees with no limbs except at the top. We call it lion's tail. This particular style of tree trimming is especially bad for Bradford pears. They already have a bad branching structure with narrow crotch angles which are weak. Surely you have noticed that when we get wind or hail, somebody's gonna get a split pear tree. Part of the tree splits off and what do we do? We cut it off and leave the rest of the tree in even worse condition. Maybe we even limb it up more to "take the weight off" or some nonsense.

On my neighborhood walk, there are several pear trees that I do not walk under or near. Seriously, getting killed by a falling tree branch cannot be the way I go. But, if I do, you have my permission to make all the dark humor jokes you

want about it, I'll be sad to miss out on them. Anyway, we have created these trees that are top heavy so often when we get a lot of rain or wind, they can topple over.

I understand that you want to remove a few branches because your kid is getting taller and complaining about it when they mow. (I don't think that's a kid's chore anymore.

Lucky generation.) So, take some branches off. Start at the bottom and remove one or two. But do not remove every horizontal branch on your tree. You want to create a triangular looking tree but with just a little more trunk showing. You do not want to have a long, scrawny trunk with a poof of branches at the top. Unless it's a palm tree. That's how palm trees should look. Not oak trees.

Also trees have a life span. Some have shorter ones than others (looking at your Bradford pear). Sometimes there is nothing to be done other than make the tree comfortable and start looking for a replacement. When you get this opportunity, select trees



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that like our area, how about some natives?

But, some insects and diseases are very, very bad and fatal. Typically, these insects or disease are host specific. Think: oak wilt, emerald ash borer, rose rosette virus...and we need to be on the lookout for them. Worry level panic.

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