



**Santa Fe Independent
School District**

Superintendent Message



Dear SFISD Community:

Feb. 8, 2019

*"Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort."
Franklin D. Roosevelt*

Students in SFISD are working hard and achieving in many areas with the support and leadership of our dedicated staff and community. Our goals for continuous improvement and meaningful engaging academic work across the district is thriving! We have many student achievements, accomplishments, and learning experiences to share and celebrate.

Congratulations to our Santa Fe High School Cheerleaders who recently placed 9th at NCA Nationals in Dallas. Congratulations also to the Santa Fe Junior High Cheer team! They received 2nd place in their division, superior showmanship and the Go Be Great award at NCA Nationals.

Houston Sports Authority invited student athletes from Santa Fe High School to attend our Fan Zone at the second annual Houston Sports Awards this week. Approximately 150 students enjoyed seeing famous former and current Houston athletes, executives, mascots, and cheerleaders enter the venue and be interviewed on the Blue Carpet directly across from the Fan Zone. They also enjoyed photo props, games, and music, and had a great evening. J.J. Watt also honored the students by relinquishing his Humanitarian Award to SFHS.

Congratulations also to SFHS Tribal Belles in their recent MA Houston Classic Dance Competition, earning the following awards for their outstanding performances:

- Dance Officer Judges' Award for Modern
- Best in Class Officer Modern
- Best in Class Officer Jazz
- Best in Class Officer Lyrical
- Choreography Award in Jazz , Modern, and Lyrical
- Technique Award in Jazz, Modern, and Lyrical
- Super Sweepstakes
- **Officer Winner's Circle – 1st Place**

Congratulations to all Fine Arts students and staff for another very successful district musical! Our talented students received a standing ovation upon the conclusion of all four performances! Thank you to our students, staff, parents and community who attended and had the opportunity to experience and share in the joy and excitement of the arts in Santa Fe ISD!

Our Indians are completing district basketball seasons, with Lady Indians finishing with an overall winning season! Our Soccer teams continue to fight hard in our competitive

UIL district. Athletes are also preparing to achieve in upcoming Softball, Baseball, Tennis, Golf, Track and Powerlifting competitions. Our Agriculture staff and students are preparing and looking forward to the upcoming Galveston Fair and Rodeo.

Thank you again to our wonderful SFISD counselors who attend to the academic as well as social and emotional needs of our students daily! Counseling support is an essential component of accomplishing our goals and mission.

We appreciate all the opportunities our teachers and staff afford our students to excel in many areas of education throughout SFISD! Thank you for working together to Prepare all of our students to Achieve and Succeed in so many areas in school and beyond!

“Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence”. (Helen Keller)

Our mission is to Prepare ALL members of the Santa Fe Independent School District learning community to Achieve and Succeed through innovative strategies and collaborative relationships.