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Dear Antler Fans,

Isn't it remarkable how quickly time flies? We have completed our 5th marking period of the school year and are quickly approaching the end of our 2017-18 school year. However, as quickly as our days pass and students begin the countdown to graduation and summer, we know there is much to celebrate but many accomplishments yet to make. Our last marking period brings lots of activity, celebrations, and opportunities to show knowledge gained over the year. Here are few highlights of the last marking period:

1. Our Girls Basketball team had an amazing play-off run to the state tournament. While they fell short in the state semi-final game, they represented TFND until the end. What a joy to watch those athletes all season!
2. Boys basketball and boys soccer both made appearances in the UIL play-offs. As their seasons ended, work for success next school year quickly began.
3. Job well done to our AFJROTC program! After a lengthy and detailed routine inspection, our own TX—20063 Unit earned "Exceeds Standards" from the Air Force. Congratulations cadets on all of your hard work under the direction of Colonel Woods and Chief Brunz.
4. Our spring sports are poised for post-season success: tennis, golf, track, and baseball have all been busy in action the last few weeks. We have a tennis doubles group advancing to regionals, several Tivy track athletes advancing to area, and a golf regional representative. We look forward to baseball play-offs in the next few weeks.
5. Tivy Fine Arts department has been busy racking up awards as well. Students have competed as groups and individually to bring home Sweepstakes awards in band, orchestra, and choir. Our Golden Girl Dance Team earned high marks in several competitions this spring. Art students represented well in VASE competition. Color guard improved each week to capture 1st in their last competition of the spring.
6. Our UIL academic team advanced several individuals and teams to regionals. Students will be using brain power to compete in calculator, math, ready writing, news writing, science, spelling, feature writing, and editorial writing. Thank you to students and teachers for your hard work.
7. Tivy Mock Trial advanced to state competition in early March. While they finished just outside of the top ten in the state, they continued a long tradition of Tivy excellence in Mock Trial.
8. Teachers focused on KISD Instructional Standard #5 Utilize Time Efficiently. Demonstrated by: bell to bell instruction, transitions, routines, and a sense of urgency. We don't waste a minute with our students!

We have completed the English 1 and 2 STAAR tests last week. Students were prepared well for success and we look forward to the results. The second week in May will start our AP exams along with STAAR Algebra, Biology, and US History tests. We have big goals and will continue to prepare for success.

The next paragraph was included in the Principal's Message in February; yet, it still holds the sentiment of our goal on campus every day.

“We continue to be proud of the accomplishments of our students both in the classroom, on fields, in theaters and auditoriums. Tivy High School continues to focus on providing educational opportunities in every aspect of our activities. Teachers and staff work hard to maximize our time with your students in an effort to prepare them for success. Tivy staff and students continue to raise the bar in service to one another, care and concern for the world around them, and willingness to improve each day. “

We closed out our 5th marking period with a successful Career Day. Students were exposed to careers, experiences, and possibilities to prepare them for their future. The day included an assembly to remind them of our October Unity day and our pledge to build up and support one another. We will continue to live that message because it’s part of what makes us Antlers who believe and live the TFND spirit.

Thank you for all you do to support the students and staff of Tivy High School.

Sincerely,

Shelby Balser

Proud Principal

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