



THE HERD



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Leader of the Herd

(ADRIANNE MORENO AND MARIBEL MUNIZ, STAFF REPORTERS)

Every school year Fox Tech welcomes new faces to our campus.

This year we welcome a new principal. Ms. Kathy Bieser takes over the leadership of our Medical and Law Magnets as well as the new Advanced Learning Academy. Our new principal comes to us from the well-respected International School of the Americas. Our new principal believes that "our campus has the potential to be one of the best campuses in the state." Ms. Bieser plans to honor and learn the wonderful history, traditions, and rituals of our campus. On behalf of the entire Fox Tech family, we welcome Ms. Bieser as the newest member of our "Nerd Herd."



FOX TECH PRINCIPAL
MS. BIESER



If you have noticed that the lights shine a bit dimmer this year, you are not the only one. Fox tech lost one of our sweetest family members, Julian Dixon. Julian passed on August 21, 2016. Julian's dynamic energy and friendliness will be missed. We will always remember his dancing and cheering at all our home games. Everyone that came in contact with Julian loved his sincerity and genuineness.

In Memoriam



Julian Dixon

On the morning of August 30th, the entire student body bid farewell to Julian, as his family and friends led a procession down Buffalo Run. Julian will be missed. **Always a Buffalo!**

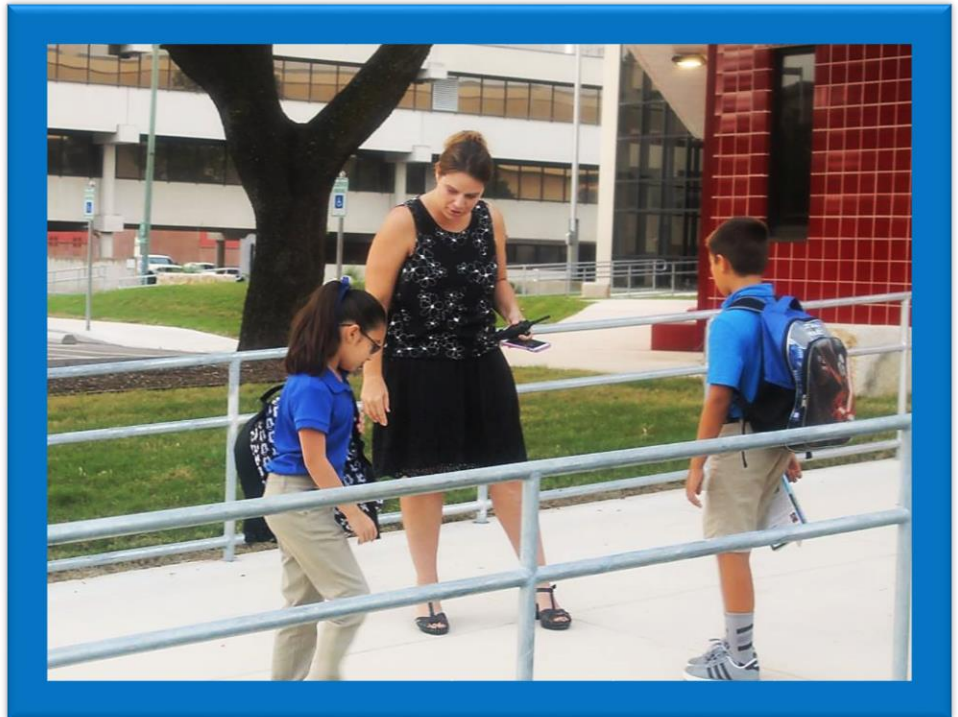


(CHRISTOPHER TREVINO, STAFF REPORTER)

Advanced Learning Academy

(SKYLAR SIGALA, STAFF REPORTER)

Fox Tech welcomes a new school to our campus – The Advanced Learning Academy. ALA serves K-10 grade. 4th-10th grade students are housed on our Fox Tech campus while K-3rd occupy the former Stephen F. Austin Academy. Despite some early logistical bumps, the integration of both schools becomes smoother each day. The biggest change is the presence of those adorable 4th and 5th graders. In fact, our magnet students have been volunteering to escort the new ALA “baby buffaloes” to class each morning. ALA is a completely unique educational experience. ALA vice-principal, Mr. David Nungaray says, “The Advanced Learning Academy is a school dedicated to creative innovation and exploring what is possible in education for all students.” Walking the hallways, it is apparent to see the different use of learning space and instruction. Both schools operate independently, however, there is some overlap, for instance, music, art, athletics, dance, and mariachi. “It’s great to see both ALA & Magnet students competing together in athletics. I hope to see more of that kind of bonding on campus,” shares Coach Martinez. As we all know, Fox Tech is the oldest public school in South Texas. While we treasure our long history and tradition, our future is equally exciting. The Advanced Leadership Academy, and next year’s CAST Academy join the Medical and Law Professions Magnets to form what will become the premiere learning destination in the San Antonio area. SAISD has a goal of becoming a national model for educational excellence. No doubt, the Buffaloes are a big part of that future. **ALA – Welcome to the Herd!**



Hola! We Have a New Spanish Teacher!

(SABRINA PEREZ AND NOEMI RODRIGUEZ, STAFF REPORTERS)



Fox Tech would like to welcome our new Spanish teacher, Ms. Katelyn Eppert! She is from Iowa, recently graduating from the University of Northern Iowa. Ms. Eppert is excited about moving to the Alamo City. Ms. Eppert enjoys “the friendly atmosphere and the kindness that her students have shown her.” Tech students already feel that she is a great addition to the faculty “Ms. Eppert is a very nice teacher and she helps you when you need help” shared Kaitlyn Ramos. She will sponsor the Spanish club, which holds meetings twice a month. If you are interested, feel free to come by and sign up. On behalf of the Buffaloes, we wish Ms. Eppert - “Bienvenida a Fox Tech!”

LADY BUFFALOES SPIKE UP VICTORIES!

(CECILIA GONZALEZ, STAFF REPORTER)



Fox Tech volleyball ladies never give up and never back down. “I’m proud that my girls have good attitudes and play with heart. I expect them to do well and play aggressive,” declares Coach Janice Cuccia. The Junior Varsity squad has been exciting to watch with plenty of offensive standouts this year. Meanwhile, with four games under their belt, the varsity team is cranking up their fierce game play. Besides team wins, many players have set personal goals, senior Desiree Bernal is aiming for 15 assists for her final year. “What makes my group of girls so special is their great chemistry and passion for the game,” says Varsity Coach Graves. Lastly, Fox Tech welcomes Coach Harvey, who is now the new freshmen coach. This is her first year coaching volleyball. “Since last year, I was the girls’ head basketball coach, getting the opportunity to work with a whole

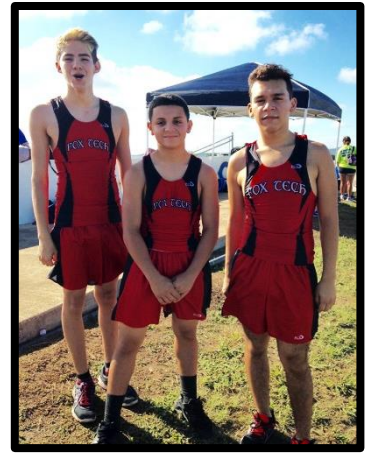
new group of athletes was something that was extremely exciting to me,” shares Coach Harvey. Bringing in a new coach must be good luck because our freshmen are still undefeated this season. District play began on Friday, September 9th in Jourdanton. Go Lady Buffs!



CROSS COUNTRY STATE OF MIND

(KENDRA TURPIN, STAFF REPORTER)

On August 27, 2016, on a clear crisp cool morning, our Fox Tech Cross Country teams competed against a field of over 30 regional schools for their first meet of the season. Comfort, Texas set a majestic background, as our Buffaloes ran up and down the rolling green hills of the Texas Hill Country. Our runners showed up ready and primed for athletic competition. Sierra Gonzales, who competed at last year's state meet, leads this seasons mean and lean squad. Sierra secured a seventh place finish for the day. Coach Gant says "there is no easy road to success," a philosophy which our cross country speedsters



keep in mind as they endure their grueling practices. "We are a family that motivates and supports each other," boasts senior runner Richard Vargas. Cross Country demonstrates a rare commitment and discipline. We salute these athletes for working hard and representing Fox Tech. Nothing stops a Stamping Herd!



Buffaloes on the Hill

(KRISTIAN CHAPA, STAFF REPORTER)

This summer, a herd of law magnet seniors boarded a flight destined for our nation's capital as part of the Close Up Foundation Summer Leadership Program. The seniors were accompanied by Fox Tech's law coordinator, Jennifer Casanova. While in D.C the seniors visited many historical monuments and memorials, including the Lincoln Memorial. The students had the opportunity to sit inside the Supreme Court's courtroom. The group also met up with our U.S. Congressman and SAISD graduate Joaquin Castro who shared advice about pursuing their dreams.



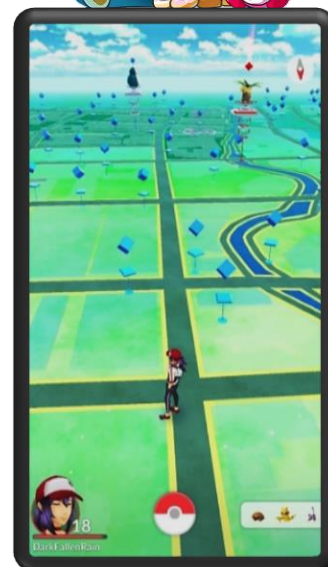
"Having the opportunity to stay in Washington D.C. for a week was truly a life-time experience. What I learned and experienced face-to-face was absolutely amazing," shared Constanica Tijerina. In addition, all students had the opportunity to attend workshops and participate in debates with other students from all over the country. Buffaloes USA!

Pokémon Go

(DOLORES TORRES AND CLARISSA HARO, STAFF REPORTERS)



Pokémon GO has taken over the app world, easily becoming the most downloaded game in mobile history. Unfortunately, with this popularity has come issues of injury and unlawfulness. Lures, one of the game's main methods for catching a Pokémon, have been used to draw players to desolate areas in order to rob them at gunpoint. So occupied, some players have placed themselves into danger, for instance, walking off a cliff, or crashing their cars. Some players have been arrested for breaking into businesses or trespassing.



Who knew those little Pokémon could cause so much trouble? So, Buffaloes beware, please be careful playing Pokémon Go.

Spaced Out in December

(JONATHAN MORALEZ, STAFF REPORTER)

The Air Jordan 11's "Space Jam" will be released on December 17, 2016. In case you have been away in another universe, "Space Jam", released in 1996, is a live-action animated movie that featured NBA legend Michael Jordan & Bugs Bunny. The shoes will



go on sale for \$220, a \$50 difference from the last time they were in stores. The number on the back heel is now "45" representing Jordan's return from retirement jersey number. The original shoe featured "23" on the heel which, as many know, was Jordan's original jersey number. No doubt, the shoes will be in high demand, as well as the anticipation for the next "Space Jam" motion picture.



Blonde

(BRIAN ROEL, STAFF REPORTER)

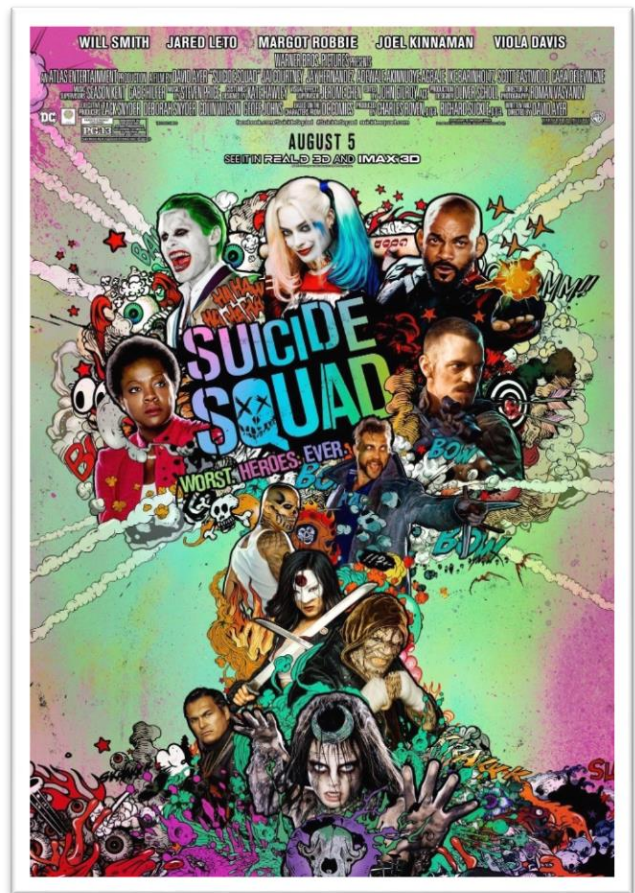
The moment many Frank Ocean fans have awaited is finally here. Frank Ocean finally released his new album titled *Blonde*. The album was released on August 20th 2016. After its release, the album quickly hit #1 on the charts. "As enigmatic as its author, *Blonde* is a daring set of ambient post R&B that slips into your bloodstream" - iTunes. Fans are enjoying the artist's second album which features 17 tracks. Some favorites of the album are "NIKES" and "Good Guy." Ocean collaborates with many music legends on the new album, Pharrell, Beyoncé, and Kanye West to name just a few. I already have the album on my phone. Go "*Blonde*" now, it's worth the buy!



SUICIDE SQUAD

(ATHENA McCLOUD, STAFF REPORTER)

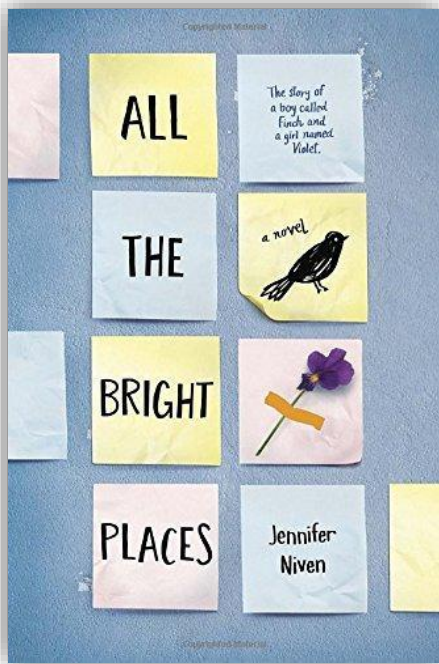
Suicide Squad is a breathtaking movie complete with many action sequences that keeps the audience on the edge of their seats. Will Smith leads a young pack of amazing actors in this re-creation of the comic book series. Fans of Harley Quinn loved how the actress, Margot Robbie, portrayed the infamous comic book character. "She was amazing in her portrayal of my favorite insane character," says Briana Banuelos. Then you have Killer Croc, a villain who has the features and appetite of a crocodile. Makeup artists did an amazing job on recreating the reptile-like skin. I was left wondering how uncomfortable the make-up must have been for actor Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje. Many comic purists were critical of Harley Quinn's new-twist costume absent of the comic's signature colors. However, Harley Quinn still rocked the cinema screen. Jared Leto captures



the character's insanity quite well, "he didn't really look like the typical Joker." commented Clea Blaylock. His appearance was unlike any Joker we have ever seen in comics or film. Jared Leto created a hip-gothic super-villain that exhibited evil and tattoos. Suicide Squad is simply incredible and fun. So grab a large popcorn, soft drink, and your favorite candy and enjoy this modern-comic book adaptation turned summer blockbuster.

All The Bright Places

(CLEA BLAYLOCK, STAFF REPORTER)



“All the Bright Places” by Jennifer Niven, is a compelling story of two high school seniors brought together by fate. The story follows Theodore Finch, an outcast who struggles for a reason to stay alive each day. When he saves Violet Markey, who is depressed over the loss of her sister, from the town’s bell tower ledge, he immediately “falls” for her. Theodore swoons for Violet as they march toward graduation day. The two find each other working on a school project and unexpectedly help each other to discover the wonders of life. The author reminds us of the old adage, that “dark clouds” have “silver linings.” I

highly recommend, “All the Bright Places” for the heartfelt characters and a valuable lesson. Reading is power!

IN-N-OUT Burger

(YULISSA CARDENAS, STAFF REPORTER)

In-N-Out Burger originates from California, this fast food restaurant has become a big success in San Antonio. In-N-Out differs from other burger chains by featuring a simple menu, and the freshest ingredients.



There are currently two locations serving the Alamo City. Manager Ivett Ousterhout “loves the great quality of the burgers and all the smiling associates she works with.” Fox Tech senior Yulissa Cardenas enjoys working at the popular burger stand. She says “its very clean, and well organized, a great first job.” So whose burger reigns supreme? Newcomer In and Out or long-time favorite Whataburger? Well, there is only one way to know for sure. Head for In-N-Out and try their signature burger. While you are there, give a shout-out to Yulissa!

Don't You Hate Acne?

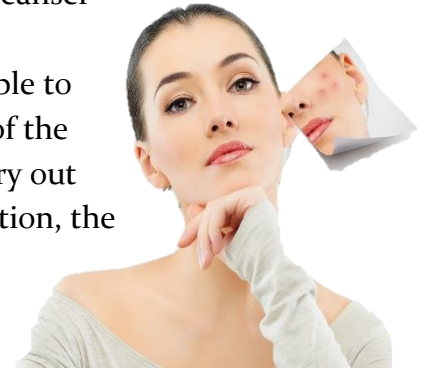
(KENNEDY MARTINEZ, STAFF REPORTER)



Acne is an occurrence of inflamed or infected sebaceous glands in the skin, a condition characterized by red pimples on the face, common among many teenagers. Having acne is stressful. So let me tell you about this amazing facial cleanser especially if you struggle with acne.

Cetaphil is a gentle skin cleanser. If you haven't been able to find that go-to skin care product – this is our recommendation. It's one of the best cleansers on the market, and it is very affordable! Cetaphil will not dry out the skin. The cleanser is rich in moisture and helps soften the skin. In addition, the cleanser has a very "fresh" clean scent.

Cetaphil Gentle Skin Cleaner will leave your face feeling clean, non-greasy, or dry. The product also acts as a texturizer and moisturizer. Cetaphil is designed to work for all skin types. It's a great way to care for your face and combat acne. For the price and quality, it's a staple in our beauty "tool box." Buffaloes looking good!



VOLLEYBALL HOME GAMES

9/20 BROOKS ACADEMY

9/23 NATALIA

9/27 KARNES CITY



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