

INSIGHTS

April, 2007

AP Course Audit

Dr. Telenia Wright
Asst. Superintendent

Currently HS teachers of AP classes are submitting syllabi to College Board for review. All schools wishing to label a course "AP" in the 2007-08 school year must complete and return to College Board an AP Course Audit form along with a course syllabus.

The AP Course Audit was created to provide teachers and administrators with clear guidelines on curricular and resource requirements that must be in place for AP courses and to help colleges and universities better interpret secondary school courses marked "AP" on students' transcripts.

For teachers, the audit provides a clear definition of elements required in a college-level course, support materials for developing or refining a college course syllabus, validation of curriculum through external review and a means for AP teachers to receive updates and new materials.

In November 2007 the College Board will publish on the Web a ledger for colleges, universities and the public that lists the

courses authorized to use the "AP" designation at each school. Colleges will be informed of subsequently authorized courses via periodic updates to the ledger.

See collegeboard.com.

Argyle High School
Principal
Mr. Jeff Butts

It is hard to believe that we are coming upon the last six weeks of the 2006-2007 school year. I appreciate the effort that parents and students have given to make this year such a success. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the Argyle High School faculty who has challenged our students to be the best they can be. Our students have responded with the great Eagle Pride that previous student bodies of years past have exemplified. We know that we must finish out this last six weeks with the same vigor that we have had all year long.

Our ninth, tenth, and eleventh graders will be taking the TAKS test beginning on April 17th and ending on April 20th. The test will begin at 8:10am. We encourage our students to get a good night's

sleep, as well as eat a good breakfast the morning of the tests. It is crucial that all students who are taking the test to be in attendance. Our seniors will be required to attend school on those days as well, beginning at 9:00am. We will be taking attendance for those days, so any senior that does not show up for classes will be counted absent. We are expecting great things from our students on these upcoming tests. I am very proud of the way our students have responded to the great effort given by our faculty in preparing for the TAKS test.

We are also preparing to schedule classes for 2007-2008. We had our open house for the high school on Thursday March 29th. The purpose of the open house was to allow parents to explore the opportunities their students will have in the selection of classes for next year. Our high school counselor, Ms. Bigbee, will be busy in the upcoming weeks by going into classes in order to assist our next year's student

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body in choosing classes for next year. She will also be explaining to our students the process of getting signed up for pre-AP classes, AP classes, as

well as dual credit classes. She will be visiting with our next year's freshman as well to insure their smooth transition from middle school to high school. If you were unable to come to our open house and would like to visit with our counselor before your student signs up for classes please give her a call at the high school at (940) 262-7777.

I have spoken with this year's seniors about making sure they take care of business between now and graduation. We are in the process of contacting parents to inform them if your student needs to tie up some loose ends in order to be able to graduate. Please encourage your senior student to stop by Ms. Bigbee's office if they are having trouble getting their outside courses completed in order to graduate. At the same time I spoke to them about their grades, I also spoke to them about making good choices. I would hate for them to do something that would keep them from walking across the stage at graduation. Seniors traditionally have attempted to come up with a senior prank in previous years. I have asked our senior class to be very careful not to pull a prank that ruins their chance to participate in graduation night. I would appreciate it if our parents would encourage their senior students to make good choices in order for them to be able to participate in the joyous occasion of graduation. I am very proud of the leadership that our senior class has shown this year. They have led us into

what is ending up being a very enjoyable and successful year for the Argyle Eagles.

I appreciate the support that our parents, our Superintendent, and School Board have given us here at Argyle High School. Without this magnificent support, we would not have had the tremendous year that we have enjoyed so far. If there is anything that we can do for you, please give us a call and make an appointment to stop by and let us help you.



From the desk of...

*Chris Daniel,
Middle School Principal*

All middle school students will be taking the upcoming TAKS tests in April ([see schedule](#)). During this important time, please make sure that your child is well rested and eats a healthy breakfast. As we have done in the past, students who do not pass either the Math or Reading section of the TAKS will be enrolled in remedial classes during the next school year. Please remind your students the importance of these tests.

**Middle School
TAKS Tests**

Tuesday, April 17:

6-8th grade Math

Wednesday, April 18:

6-8th grade Reading

Thursday, April 19:

8th grade Science

Friday, April 20:

8th grade Social

Studies

Congratulations to our UIL One Act Play students! Under the direction of Ms. Kimberly Hubbard, our students placed first at the UIL district meet in early March. We not only won first, but Courtney Klapp and Owen Graham picked up Best Actress and Actor, respectively. Great job to the entire cast!

Cheerleading tryouts were held before Spring Break and twenty-four girls made the squad, along with our new mascot. Thank you to Mrs. Thompson for organizing the practices and tryouts.

At the Bridgeport Middle School TMSCA meet in February, Nick Streltke placed 1st in the following events: Number Sense (364), Calculator (328), Mathematics (243). Nick will represent our school at the state TMSCA meet on March 31. Great job Nick! Thanks to Mrs. Gayla Burnett, high school math teacher, for sponsoring this event for the middle school.

**From: Robin McWhorter,
Elementary Principal**

Last month at Hilltop Elementary ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) and COGAT (Cognitive Abilities Test) results were received. These

results were sent home in your child's red folder or binder. If for some reason you did not receive them, please call the school, and we will get you a copy. In addition, if you need help interpreting your child's results please call the school to set an appointment.

To further understand the intelligence ability score, you may visit www.riverpub.com/products/groupe/cogat6/input.jsp. On this page input the number, letter combination found under the words, "Ability Profile" next to the COGAT results. The next page provides a wealth of information related to your child's profile, characteristics of that specific profile, instructional suggestions and additional information. By reading this data you gain a broader understanding of your child's learning style and his or her strengths and weaknesses. If you need assistance navigating this web site or locating the ability profile let me know. You can reach me at rmcwhorter@argyleisd.com or 940-464-0564 ext. 105.

[ChooseToCare](#)

If you know about something that could harm you or some one you know, report it to your school officials now. But, if reporting what

you know, in person, is not an option – provide your information online. ChooseToCare.com is safe, secure, and confidential. And, you can remain anonymous.

No Web access? Call toll free: 877-277-3812

Dear Argyle Athletic Parent,

Argyle I.S.D. athletic program requires every athlete to complete an annual physical. All athletes for 2007-2008 must return a completed physical and Argyle ISD athletic packet to the athletic trainer, Mr. McClure, prior to your first day of practice in August. If you do not have the new 2007-2008 athletic packet that includes the new physical forms, then see Mr. McClure at the high school field house. If you have any questions please contact Mr. McClure at 940-465-0366.

The Argyle I.S.D. athletic physicals for the school year 2007-2008 will be conducted May 10, 2007 at Argyle High School. The physicals will start at 6:00 PM for all 2007-2008 9th-12th grade athletes. I'm asking everyone who gets a physical to consider a \$10.00

donation to the Student Trainer Scholarship program. I'm setting up a scholarship program for students who have excelled in the sports medicine program. The funds will be used to send students to educational seminars and college scholarships.

Please acknowledge the following concerning the physicals:

- 1) When: Thursday, May 10th at 6:00 PM.
- 2) Where: Start in the main competition gym.
- 3) Cost: \$10.00 donation per physical.
- 4) Who: All male and female 2007-2008 9th-12th athletes.
- 5) Be sure to completely fill out the Argyle ISD athletic packet (Medical History, UIL Steroids Statement, UIL

Dear Argyle Athletic Parent Continued...

- Rules Acknowledgement, and Emergency Information Card).
- 6) Return the completed Argyle ISD athletic packet to Mr. McClure by Monday, May 7th. If you fail to return it by May 7th, all paperwork must be completed before you can get your

physical on May 10th.

- 7) When you show up for your physical, Mr. McClure will return your packet to you. If it is not filled out, then your parents will have to be present to complete the paperwork before you will be allowed to get your physical. It is very critical that you get this completed before you show up on May 10th at 6:00.

When the packet has been returned to Mr. McClure, you will be officially signed up for the physicals. If you do not return the packet completely filled out then you will not be guaranteed a physical May 10th.

All athletes for 2007-2008 must return a completed physical and Argyle ISD athletic packet to Mr. McClure prior to your first day of practice in your sport in August. Argyle ISD is very fortunate to have several healthcare professionals and physicians to donate their time to assist us with our athletic physicals. The medical professionals volunteering their time for this event will not honor the physicals at their site for the same donation. If you go to their offices for physicals you will be expected to pay for the services rendered. If you have any questions please contact Mr. McClure at 940-465-0366.

YAM 2007 Youth Art Month

March was Youth Art Month. The Argyle Independent School District Art Teachers hung an art exhibit at Argyle High School. The following elementary students' artworks were on display:

Cooper Ammons
Blair Bowman
Lillian Carter
Graciela Contreras
Kelly Crawford
Hayley Little
McKenzie Mix
Kailee Schimmel
Diego Terrazas
Makenna White

You can see many of our students' artworks in our Artsonia Gallery on the internet. <http://www.artsonia.com/school/s/school.asp?id=3413>

Parents, remember you can now add to your child's online portfolio with your digital camera. The easy to follow directions can be found at <http://www.artsonia.com/family/>

Argyle Band News

Just a reminder to visit argyleband.org to see photos and to keep updated on the latest news. If you have photos of any of the bands' activities, please send them to our webmaster, Jerry Kline at

JKline@efw.com. We will be trying to keep this site updated as well as 'Charms'. We are still building, so be patient with us!

The Argyle Band will be hosting 3 days of music festivals as a fundraiser this year. The Band Booster Club will be contacting parents to work these festivals, so please volunteer to help out. The dates are April 13, May 5, and May 12.

BEGINNER BAND

If you haven't done so, log on to 'Charms' and fill in your information. We have sent home instructions with your student, but if you have problems, please email Mrs.

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Johnson. Your password is your student's ID number.

We took pictures for the yearbook just recently and they turned out great! We will put them on the band website for a 'sneak' preview!

Parents should begin hearing lots of new music as students will be receiving their solos and ensembles for the Solo and Ensemble Festival (April 19). Contest music for the Band Festival (May 11, 9:30 am), Percussion Concert (May 10), Spring Concert (May 15) and our band field trip to Hurricane Harbor for the Beach Within Reach award ceremony and fun in the sun (May 12)! Please

add these dates to your calendar. More information will be sent home as arrangements are finalized.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS

This semester holds many activities for the middle school bands. Take time to add these events to your calendar.

The White and Red Bands will be performing for the UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest to be held here at Argyle on April 3. Please plan to attend during your child's band. Students have been given a detailed itinerary and it has been posted on Charms.

April 19 will be the middle school Solo and Ensemble Festival here at Argyle beginning at 4:00 pm. Students will perform individually and in small groups on literature written specifically for their instruments.

Middle school students will participate in a Band Festival in mid-April, the Percussion Concert is May 10 and the Spring Concert is scheduled for May 15. All middle school students will have the opportunity to travel to Hurricane Harbor on May 12 for fun in the sun and the awards ceremony for the beginner festival.

Now is the time to begin planning for Summer Band Camps! A list of recommended

camps will be sent home and placed on Charms.

Parents and students should be visiting www.charmsmusic.com to update their information and to visit the band calendar.

HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Congratulations go out to all high school band students who participated in the UIL Solo & Ensemble Contest. We brought back 83 First Division Medals and had 15 Solos qualify for State Solo & Ensemble and 9 Ensembles (which was all the ones we took to contest) qualify for State Solo & Ensemble Contest. That is a total student count of 58 students qualifying for State! We will travel to San Marcos on May 25 for this contest.

UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest is coming up here at Argyle on April 3rd and 5th. Thanks in advance to parents and students who have volunteered to work the contest. Please make arrangements to come by and hear your child perform. Detailed itineraries have been sent home and are on Charms. There will be a meeting for volunteers on Monday night, April 2nd, at 6:00 pm in the band hall. You will get the schedule and job descriptions at this meeting. This is UIL, so there are certain rules that have to be followed. Please make plans to attend.

The Spring Trip is only a few short weeks away! Students should have signed up for

rooms, signed up for buses, and made their final payments. We will discuss the trip further at the informational meeting on Wednesday, April 18, at 7:00 pm in the auditorium.

Plans are being made for the Band Banquet, to be held on May 18th. Students will be required to attend, and parents may purchase tickets if they wish to attend. More information about tickets will go out soon. In order to put together the DVD for the Band Banquet, we would appreciate any photos or video of high school band activities. Just send them on a disc to Mrs. Johnson.

In order to plan ahead, all high school students will be required to attend and perform at the graduation ceremony on

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May 22. This will be their final grade for the year.

Now is the time to begin planning for Summer Band Camps. A recommended list of camps will be sent home and placed on Charms.

Dates to make sure are on your calendar:

April 5: UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest
April 26-29: Spring Trip South Coast Music Festival
May 10: Percussion Concert
May 15: Spring Concert
May 18: Band Banquet
May 22: Graduation

May 25: Depart for SSEC
(State Solo & Ensemble)

Students and parents should be
visiting www.charmsmusic.com
to print off handouts and keep
updated on information. The
Summer Marching schedule for
2007-08 is currently posted.

Athletics Summer Camps

June

4th-7th Baseball camp
11th-14th Softball Camp
18th-22nd Lady Eagle BB
 Camp
25th-28th Boys' BB Camp

July

Football Camp 23rd-26th
a.m. only

Six Week Velocity Program

Workouts are Mon-Thurs
each morning
[Starts June 4th](#)

Substitutes Needed

**Argyle ISD is in
need of
substitutes. If
you are
interested in**

**applying, please
contact:
Tami Barthel at
940-464-7241,
ext. 4**



REUSE A SHOE

In honor of Earth Day 2007, the
Argyle Girl Scout Troop 418
and the Sixth Grade Science
Classes are collecting old, worn
athletic shoes to recycle. This
program is sponsored by Nike
and all shoes will be taken to
Luke's Locker, a participating
shoe store, in Fort Worth. Nike
takes these shoes and grinds the
rubber. That material is then
used to create sport surfaces
such as soccer and football
fields, basketball and tennis
courts, and tracks. Since 1993,
Nike has recycled more than 15
million pairs of shoes. That's
actually 30 million shoes that
are not taking up space in our
landfills.

YES:
We accept any non-metal
containing athletic shoe.
Please remove shoe laces.
NO:

No cleats, no sandals, no boots,
no metal

Athletic shoes may be brought
to The Elementary School
starting the week of April 16
until April 20. There will be
recycle bins set up in the
commons area. You can also
drop them off at the "Bird
Cage" at the High School
entrance. Remember to remove
the shoe laces first. Thank you
for helping Troop 418 and the
6th grade science classes. If you
have any questions please email
Mrs. Hayden. Thank you!
4th Grade Junior Girl Scouts

Sixth Grade Science Classes

Barbara Hayden
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If you would like more
information visit
www.nikereuseashoe.com



**CONGRATULATIONS
2007 - 2008
ARGYLE MIDDLE
SCHOOL
CHEERLEADERS &
MASCOT**

**7TH GRADE SQUAD
ERIKA ABERNATHY
ELANEE CRENSHAW
HANNAH DAVID**

**MACKENZIE FERRIS
MORGAN GUMBERT
SYDNEY HARVEY
LINDSEY JOHNSON
KARA PEAK
NAKOTA RAINES
LIZZY RODEN
SHELBY SMITH
MORGAN THOMPSON**

**8TH GRADE SQUAD
LOGAN CHISHOLM
MADI CVAR
TYLER DODD
ELLIE DUNSON
DARBY HARGROVES
JESSIE JOHNSON
MACI MOORE
EMMA POURZAN
EMILY TALBOT
TATE WATSON
SHELBY WILSON
RACHEL ZEMBRASKI**

**MASCOT
COLLEEN O'CONNOR**



**UIL Academic
News**

**State TMSCA
Math/Science Meet
San Antonio
Class AAA
3-17-07**

Sweepstakes

1st Argyle 3465
2nd Spring Hill 3337
3rd Bridgeport 2847
4th Bridge City 2671
5th Silsbee 2500
6th Hirschi 2375
7th Cuero 2086

Science

1st team Argyle 766
2nd team Cuero 756
3rd team Spring Hill 480
6th team Hirschi 228
2nd senior Justin Johnson 236
5th senior Chris Wilkerson 190
7th senior Heath Delka 182
9th senior Aaron Andersson 158
21st senior Jeremy Bukaty 50
2nd junior David Graf 92
9th junior Erik Katzen 40
13th junior Kirstie Wade 30
1st sophomore Tyler Kass 116
3rd sophomore Thomas Quintana 62
17th sophomore Riley Lynch 6
9th freshman Jake Sizelove 22

Biology

2nd senior Justin Johnson 58
4th junior David Graf 26
1st sophomore Tyler Kass 50
2nd sophomore Thomas Quintana 40

Chemistry

1st senior Justin Johnson 90
1st junior David Graf 50
1st sophomore Tyler Kass 54

6th sophomore Thomas Quintana 22

Physics

5th senior Chris Wilkerson 94
6th senior Justin Johnson 88
6th senior Aaron Andersson 88
4th junior Kirstie Wade 18
6th junior David Graf 16
1st sophomore Tyler Kass 12

Mathematics

1st team Spring Hill 778
2nd team Argyle 736
3rd team Bridgeport 652
4th team Hirschi 560
2nd senior Justin Johnson 254
11th senior Chris Wilkerson 132
12th senior Heath Delka 126
20th senior Jeremy Bukaty 100
3rd junior Erik Katzen 188
11th junior David Graf 120
14th junior Phillip Fullingim 108
16th junior Kirstie Wade 92
1st sophomore Thomas Quintana 162
8th junior Aaron Kline 86
21st junior Riley Lynch 44
6th freshman Jake Sizelove 68

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Number Sense

1st team Bridgeport 924
2nd team Spring Hill 878
3rd team Silsbee 799
4th team Argyle 785
5th team Bridge City 772
6th team Hirschi 621
5th senior Justin Johnson 230
5th junior Kirstie Wade 163
11th junior Erik Katzen 121

16th junior Phillip Fullingim
94
1st sophomore Thomas
Quintana 271
8th sophomore Aaron Kline
96
7th freshman Jake Sizelove
78

Calculator Applications

1st team Silsbee 1008
2nd team Bridge City 946
3rd team Bridgeport 940
4th team Spring Hill 929
5th team Argyle 885
7th team Hirschi 769
5th senior Justin Johnson
246
9th senior Chris Wilkerson
227
23rd senior Heath Delka 148
9th junior Erik Katzen 192
3rd sophomore Tyler Kass
220
12th sophomore Thomas
Quintana 174

Top Gun (Best all around)

2nd senior Justin Johnson 50
(\$1,000.00)
8th senior Chris Wilkerson
23
12th senior Heath Delka 13
4th junior Erik Katzen 32
11th junior David Graf 19
1st sophomore Thomas
Quintana 46.5
6th sophomore Tyler Kass
28
14th sophomore Aaron Kline
16
6th freshman Jake Sizelove
26

Flower Mound Math/Science Meet 3-3-07

Sweepstakes

1st Argyle 2964
2nd Bridgeport 2760

Science

1st team Argyle 689
2nd team Bridgeport 156
1st senior Justin Johnson 226
2nd senior Heath Delka 210
3rd senior Hilary Krebsbach
94
5th senior Jeremy Bukaty 52
2nd junior Edgar Mesta 36
1st sophomore Thomas
Quintana 90
3rd sophomore Riley Lynch
18
1st freshman Jake Sizelove
42
2nd freshman Sam Forrer 36
5th freshman Justin Bruton
18

Biology

1st Heath Delka 64
2nd Justin Johnson 48

Chemistry

1st Heath Delka 76
2nd Justin Johnson 74

Physics

1st Justin Johnson 104
2nd Heath Delka 70

Mathematics

1st team Argyle 944

2nd team Bridgeport 867
1st senior Justin Johnson 308
4th senior Jeremy Bukaty
170
5th senior Heath Delka 132
2nd junior David Graf 164
3rd junior Phillip Fullingim
110
1st sophomore Thomas
Quintana 208
8th sophomore Riley Lynch
64
2nd freshman Jake Sizelove
92
6th freshman Justin Bruton
26
7th freshman Sam Forrer 20

Calculator Applications

1st team Bredgeport 978
2nd team Argyle 671
1st senior Justin Johnson 272
4th senior Heath Delka 129
6th junior Phillip Fullingim
45
7th sophomore Thomas
Quintana 141

Number Sense

1st team Bridgeport 759
2nd team Argyle 660

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3rd senior Justin Johnson 208
5th senior Heath Delka 34
2nd junior Phillip Fullingim
121
1st sophomore Thomas
Quintana 255
4th freshman Jake Sizelove 76
5th freshman Sam Forrer 66



Nurse's Corner **By Jan Haney**

We have been experiencing an increase in the cases of Chicken Pox (Varicella) in our schools and the general population. Since we have had a few cases in the Argyle schools in the last weeks I am sharing the following information with you. A vaccine for Chicken Pox (Varicella) does not seem to be holding for lifetime immunity. The first article is from the Dallas County Department of Health Epidemiologist. The second is an article that explains the differences in Chicken Pox (Varicella) in a vaccinated person and an unvaccinated person. This is for your information and to make you aware of the possibility that your child can have the disease even if they have been vaccinated. If your child has symptoms, please consult your physician and notify us so we can alert others who may be exposed and report to the State Health Department.

Effects of chickenpox vaccine fade over time March 15, 2007 07:02:14 AM PST

Merck's chickenpox vaccine Varivax not only loses its

effectiveness after a while, but it has also changed the profile of the disease in the population, U.S. researchers reported on Wednesday.

The study confirmed what doctors widely knew -- that the vaccine's protection does not last long.

And with fewer natural cases of the disease going around, unvaccinated children or children in whom the first dose of the vaccine fails to work have been catching the highly contagious disease later in life, when the risk of severe complications is greater, they said.

If you're unvaccinated and you get it later in life, there's a 20-times greater risk of dying compared to a child, and a 10 to 15 times greater chance of getting hospitalized said Jane Seward of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, who worked on the study.

The findings, reported fully for the first time in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, have already had an impact. They helped prompt the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices to recommend a booster shot between the ages of 4 and 6. The panel also said in its June 2006 report that children, adolescents and adults should be given boosters as well.

No one knows how long the effects of a second shot will

last, said the research team, led by Sandra Chaves of the CDC.

The United States has been vaccinating against chickenpox, also known as varicella, since 1995. But tests have shown that the vaccine is not very effective in 15 to 20 percent of children who only receive one dose.

A second dose will certainly provide extra protection, but it is not clear how much. Instead of 80 to 85 percent efficacy, we're hoping instead to see 90 to 95 percent for the second dose, said Seward, acting deputy director of the CDC's division of viral diseases.

The Chaves team used vaccination and illness data from Antelope Valley, California, northeast of Los Angeles, to track Varivax's effectiveness.

The shots cut the number of cases by 85 percent between 1995 and 2004. In 1995 just 1 percent of the 2,794 reported cases were among children who had been vaccinated. In 2004, there were far fewer cases -- 420 -- but 60 percent were in vaccinated children.

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While 73 percent of the youngsters who became ill in 1995 were under age 7, the rate dropped to 30 percent by 2004 because the children who got chickenpox tended to get it at an older age.

And when vaccinated children were infected, they tended to be

sicker, probably because they were older.

Children between the ages of 8 and 12 years who had been vaccinated 5 years or more previously were two times as likely to have moderate-to-severe breakthrough disease as were those who had been vaccinated less than 5 years previously, the researchers wrote.

Last May another vaccine made by Merck to act as a booster for adults, Zostavax, was approved.

The chickenpox virus remains in the body for life and can be reactivated as shingles, a rash that can cause pain that persists for years.

Chickenpox is often considered a harmless childhood disease, but before vaccination, 100 children died each year from complications of chickenpox in the United States alone.

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Sources for the following information: American Academy of Pediatrics. In: Pickering LK, ed. *Red Book: 2003 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases*. 26th ed. Elk Grove

Village, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics; 2003. Texas Department of Health, Vaccine-Preventable Disease Surveillance Guidelines, April 10, 2002. Stock No. 6-106. Vazquez, M, LaRussa, PS, Gershon, AA, Niccolai, LM, Muehlenbein, CE, Steinberg, SP, and Shapiro, ED. Effectiveness Over Time

Varicella in Texas

Varicella is a highly contagious disease. Although chickenpox is not usually a serious illness, it sometimes leads to severe complications such as pneumonia, encephalitis, or bacterial infection.

Complications are more severe in immunocompromised individuals. Prior to vaccine licensure in 1995, approximately 50 children and 50 adults in the United States died from complications of chickenpox each year and almost everyone became infected. In 2000, a school and child care requirement for varicella vaccine was implemented in Texas. Reported varicella cases dropped from 20,484 in 1998 to 5,465 in 2003. The varicella vaccine is 95% effective in preventing moderate or severe disease. It is only 70 – 85% effective in preventing mild disease. In a recent study by Vazquez, et. al, varicella vaccine effectiveness significantly decreased after one year, but remained fairly steady in subsequent years. As vaccine coverage increases and the incidence of wild-type varicella decreases, a higher proportion of varicella cases will occur in

vaccinated individuals as breakthrough disease (> 42 days after vaccination). The current estimate for breakthrough cases is 25%. Although breakthrough varicella cases may occur, the disease is often milder with a shorter duration and the risk of complications from varicella is minimal. This typically means fewer days missed from work and/or school.

The following bullets summarize the differences between varicella in unvaccinated individuals and varicella in vaccinated individuals (breakthrough cases).

- Generally, varicella disease in vaccinated individuals is much milder with a shorter duration of illness.
- The rash may be maculopapular with few or no vesicles, and may resemble insect bites in some individuals.
- The same precautions should be taken with individuals with breakthrough varicella as those with wild-type varicella.

Individuals with breakthrough varicella need to be excluded

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- from school or child care centers.
- Precautions should be taken to prevent exposure to immunocompromised individuals or pregnant women.
- In school settings where varicella has been reported,

there should be an increased level of awareness for cases of breakthrough varicella, which may not be rapidly identified if symptoms are mild.

- Varicella is a reportable condition in Texas. Therefore, all cases of varicella should be reported to the health department.

Comparison of Varicella in Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Individuals

Typical Varicella Presentation (Unvaccinated individuals)	Varicella in Vaccinated Individuals More than 42 Days after Vaccination (Breakthrough Disease)
Typically consists of 250 to 500 lesions and other systemic symptoms	Milder with fewer than 50 skin lesions
Mild fever	Lower rate of fever
Longer rash duration : 5-7 days	Shorter rash duration: 3 days or less
Generalized, pruritic, vesicular rash	Maculopapular with few or no vesicles (may resemble insect bites)
Patients are most infectious from 1 to 2 days before to shortly after onset of the rash, but may persist until crusting of the lesions.	These individuals are still considered infectious; although their infectivity may be less
Individuals should be excluded from school or child care centers for at least five days or until the lesions become dry	Individuals should be excluded from school or child care centers until the lesions become dry, fade, or no more appear (at least three days)

June 18-21
For All Girls going into the 2nd through
9th Grade (2007-2008)

Argyle Lady Eagle Basketball Camp 2007

6th-9th Grade: 8:30 – 11:30 AM
2nd-5th Grade: 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Camp Coaches: Steve Schmidt, Head Girls Basketball Coach at Argyle HS
Assistants: Jennifer Roemisch, Darren Wilson, Kathi Olson, Mandi Pels, and Wes Haynes
Special Assistance by former Lady Eagle Basketball Players

Our camp will be geared toward giving the young female basketball player an opportunity to learn and practice the basic fundamental and mental skills involved in the game. Emphasis will be placed on what the athlete can do on her own to improve her chances for success in the game.

First Name: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Last Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____

Age: _____ School Grade _____ (2007-2008) Phone Numbers: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Physician: _____

Phone: _____ Physician's Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Pertinent Medical Information: _____

T-Shirt Size (circle one): Youth M Youth L _____

Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

_____, _____ and _____, the parents and/or legal guardians of _____, for and in consideration of the granting of the request of the undersigned to allow the child to participate in the Lady Eagle Basketball Camp, for himself and/or herself, for said child, and for his, her and/or their assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, and legal representatives, have this day released, acquit, and forever discharge the Argyle Independent School District, its predecessors, successors, assigns, Board members, legal representatives, agents, servants, employees, volunteers, coaches in both their individual and official capacity, and all persons, natural or corporate, of and from any and all claims, demands, damages or causes of action of any kind whatsoever, at common law, statutory or otherwise, which the undersigned have or might have, known or unknown, now existing or that might arise hereafter, directly or indirectly attributable to said child's participation in the basketball camp, or in any way connected thereto, it being intended to release all claims of any kind which any of us, individually, collectively, or as next friend of the said child, might have against those hereby released, whether asserted heretofore or not, and including but not limited to any claim for negligence.

THE UNDERSIGNED DOES HEREBY AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE ARGYLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, COACHES IN BOTH THEIR INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITY, AND ANY OTHER PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION BOUND TO DEFEND OR PAY JUDGMENTS AGAINST IT AND/OR THEM, OR ANY OF THEM, FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS OR CAUSES OF ACTION, INCLUDING CLAIMS FOR CONTRIBUTION OR INDEMNITY, AND THE REASONABLE AND NECESSARY COSTS, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES INCURRED IN DEFENSE OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, WHICH ANY OTHER PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION HAS OR MAY HAVE ARISING OUT OF/OR RESULTING FROM CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE BASKETBALL CAMP, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED THERETO.

The undersigned parents warrant that they are the legal guardians of the child and that no other legal guardian has been appointed.

The undersigned warrant(s) that he/she has read this agreement and fully understand it to be a release of all claims, known or unknown, present or future, that he/she has or may have against the party or parties released, arising out of or in any way connected with the matters described herein.

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that _____ may participate in the basketball camp.

Parent/Guardian

Date

Printed Name

June 18-21

6th – 9th Grade: 8:30 – 11:30 AM

2nd – 5th Grade: 1 – 4:00 PM

- ✓ Campers must wear clean basketball shoes while on the Argyle High School Gymnasium court
- ✓ Eat smart before coming to camp (You will need plenty of energy for these 3 hour sessions!)
- ✓ Water fountains will be available, but you may want to bring your own water bottle or sports drink
- ✓ All campers will receive a t-shirt and certificate
- ✓ There will be plenty of games and contests
- ✓ PLEASE be on time each day
- ✓ Cost is \$50 per child
- ✓ DEADLINE to ensure t-shirts will be ready: FRIDAY, MAY 25.

✓ **No refunds after May 31**

- ✓ Registration (backside of this sheet) and payment should be mailed to:

Steve Schmidt
Argyle High School
800 Eagle Drive
Argyle, TX 76226

- ✓ Checks should be made to: Steve Schmidt, Lady Eagle Basketball Camp
- ✓ Late entries will be accepted, but there will be an extra \$10 charge added to the total, and no guarantee of a camp t-shirt
- Contact Steve Schmidt, if you have any questions:
Office: 940.262.7777 Ext. 2287 Cell: 940.465.4803

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