

West Rusk CCISD

School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)

November 3, 2021

9:30 West Rusk Board Room

Members present: Megan Wriggle (School Nurse), Lawrence Coleman (Superintendent), Steve Alexander (Food Service Director), Nick Harrison (Athletic Director), Amanda Kirkendoll (Intermediate Counselor), Kevin Roy (WR Chief of Police), Kathy Hlavaty (Community), Gwen Gilliam (Director of Student Services) and Linsey Moore (High School Counselor) On Zoom: Holly Curry (High School Parent), and Patrick Dooley (Rusk County OEM)

Minutes

Review the April 27, 2021 Minutes, the 2020 - 2021 Report to Board, and West Rusk Wellness Plan. Each was approved by the attending group.

West Rusk Health: Megan Wriggle - There have been no reported COVID cases at West Rusk in the past three weeks. So far, no flu cases have been reported to the nurses' office. 45 members of the WR staff received the flu vaccine. West Rusk vaccination report to the state was 100% reported. We have 11 students whose parents requested an exemption from vaccinations. Vision and hearing screening have been completed and will be reported in January. Scoliosis screening will start the week before Thanksgiving and be reported in the spring. The nursing staff has continued responding to students directly instead of students visiting nurses office. This started during COVID and continues because it is safer than students traveling from classroom to nurses office and back to classroom.

West Rusk Athletics / Physical Education: Nick Harrison - Volleyball girls entered post season playoffs with a defeat to White Oak (ranked #1 in Texas). The High school football team is undefeated and the District Champions. Weight room activities are specific to the sport activities. AED pads have been ordered and are backordered. Megan said she might be able to help.

West Rusk Counseling Services: Moore and Kirkendoll - 51 of the 60 seniors attended the FAFSA (& TASFA) night at West Rusk. 61 students have applied to Texas Colleges. All Juniors and Seniors have met individually with the counselor concerning their plans after graduation. Five juniors have taken the PSAT. The ACT was recently offered. Counselors have also been meeting with students that have had traumatic experiences such as loss of family members. The backpack program has resources to expand. If counselors know of other students that would benefit from the program they should contact Amanda Kirkendoll.

West Rusk Food Service: Steve Alexander - The cafeteria is having increasing difficulty in getting products such as paper goods and some food items. All West Rusk students are eligible for a Food Card. Rusk County Health Department inspections have been changed from county to the FDA guidelines.

Superintendent: Lawrence Coleman - Due to November 2nd elections, West Rusk will lose \$55,000 due to the repeal of the Rusk County School Tax. FEMA can reimburse funeral expenses if COVID is listed on the death certificate. Mrs. Hlavaty has forms if needed.

Community: Kathy Hlavaty - Cassidy Walker is a specialist in Child Trauma Counseling in Marshall working for Dr. Nissley. She is available to work with students in our area that have difficulty coping with COVID and its effect on families.