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For the best chance of making your visions of success a reality, preparing for your student's future has to start much earlier than graduation. GISD believes that "college and career readiness" begins in elementary school and encompasses a strong academic foundation. Additionally, GISD has identified some key steps students should take to get ready, setting the stage for future success! Creativity Creativity is measured with something called the Torrance Test. Our art teachers value the results of the Torrance Test and utilize this procedure during our art auditions at Walnut Glen Academy. At WGA there is a concerted effort to nurture the creativity of all children in all areas. We continually strive to teach "outside the box". STEAM Walnut Glen students participate in rigorous classroom instruction daily, including STEAM activities that allow students to use Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math skills. These help our students obtain future ready skills. Each grade level was given a different challenge where students had to work together with their team to design a working product. Kindergarten designed a working maze for a marble to go through from start to finish. 1st grade was challenged to use recycled materials to design a parachute that safely carried a gummy bear. 2nd graders use recycled materials to design the Big Bad Wolf, a product that would create a puff of air strong enough to move a large marshmallow. 3rd graders were given the task to build a balloon powered car. 4th graders are building a vehicle powered only by rubber bands. 5th graders have to design and build their very own roller coaster. Winners from each grade level were chosen and will compete in the GISD STEAMposium. Technology in the classrooms and beyond Students at Walnut Glen visit the computer lab several times a week. Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders have iPads available to them throughout the week, and 3rd - 5th have iPads available each day. We also have a Chromebook C.O.W. (cart on wheels), as well as an additional 12 library Chromebooks available to all students. Walnut Glen has two computer labs, as well as computers available to students in the library, and three Chromebooks to a classroom. Technology for all WGA students continues to be an internal part of our school day. Guidance Counselor- Deb Rivera Welcome to our WGA family! I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with our students to help support learning and the achievement of their life-long goals and success. I hold a Master's degree in School Counseling and Educational Administration, and have 20 years teaching experience at the elementary school level. Vision Statement Lead each student to excellence and lifelong learning Our Mission Statement At Walnut Glen Academy, we will provide the students an exceptional education that develops leadership, citizenship, academic and social skills in order to maximize each student's success and prepare them for future career choices and life experiences. Our School Climate and Safety The school counselor facilitates the delivery of guidance, character education and personal safety curriculum. Anti-Bullying Week is recognized in the fall and serves to remind students to "Help Everyone Respect Others" with daily activities addressing bullying issues. "Just Say No" drug education is presented during Red Ribbon Week with daily school wide themes to increase awareness and prevention. The "YOU MATTER" campaign serves to bring student awareness to mental health issues and personal care. Our character education program teaches character traits and promotes The 7 Habits of Happy Kids, founded by Stephen Covey, throughout the year. Student Success The counselor also assists parents with their children's academic and college/career planning by providing test scores and interpretation, student records, information about applications for our magnet programs and the Duke TIP Program; course scheduling for 5th graders; and providing parents and students with upcoming test and campus guidance event information. Parent education is offered through conferences, information on our campus website, parent newsletters available on our district website, and informational brochures sent home during the year about college resources, drug awareness and prevention, bullying topics, and character education. Information regarding the counseling and guidance program are communicated via our Walnut Glen Academy website, the Garland ISD site, and notifications from the counselor in our Thursday parent communication folder. We ask our parents to join us as partners in our school community educating and empowering our students to become our future's great leaders! What can my counselor do for me? Counselors will help you by: providing study skills and academic information helping in teacher/student relationships helping cope with family issues listening to concerns about friends, etc. giving you information about life and decision-making skills referring you to people or places outside of school for help if necessary being your advocate - counselors are here for you! Counselors for each campus are certified by the state of Texas in School Counseling, have a Master's Degree, and previous teaching experience. Each elementary school has a guidance counselor to help ensure that adequate support for helping students to succeed and meet their goals is available. Visit the district website for more information about the GISD Guidance & Counseling programs. No bully zone Our school is a NO BULLY ZONE! Help stop bullying! Whether bullying is physical or verbal, if it's not stopped it can lead to more aggressive antisocial behavior and interfere with a child's success in school and the ability to form and sustain friendships. If you have any questions, or need help with bullying please call the school and set up an appointment with the counselor. Walnut Glen Academy for Excellence offers a wide variety of classes in the fields of art and music. All students will learn through a comprehensive arts and music integrated curriculum that involves higher order thinking skills. We at Walnut Glen Academy and Garland ISD believe that a quality arts education program will enable students to develop self-esteem, self-discipline, self-motivation, and cooperation necessary for success in life. Walnut Glen Academy students are very fortunate to have many opportunities in the fine arts. Kinder through fifth-grades have music class and art class weekly. Students in fourth and fifth grades have the opportunity to participate in our Strings Orchestra. Walnut Glen Academy students also have the opportunity to audition for and participate in the Enriched Art and the Enriched Music programs. GradeWalnut Glen Academy For ExcellPre-KI Kind5144269374480586Note: Data may not be displayed on any public-facing website or service that replicates or resembles a school search or review portal without prior written permission. See our Terms of Service. Walnut Glen Academy for Excellence 3101 Edgewood Garland, TX 75042 Phone: 972-494-8330 Fax: 972-494-8725 Email: A122@garlandisd.net Year opened: 1968 Enrollment: 430 School hours 8:10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Principal Roger Ceballos Ratings & reports For the most current ratings and reports, reports and performance planning, visit our school profile page on the district website. Mission Statement The mission of Walnut Glen Academy for Excellence is to provide an exceptional education for our diverse magnet, artistically and musically talented, and regular education neighborhood students by teaming with parents, teachers, and community members to present both basic and innovative learning opportunities for all. We strive to help students become strong academic and creative thinkers so they can better face future challenges and become successful, responsible members of a world society. We aim to establish an atmosphere in which studentspossessing a wide range of abilities understand that everyone has the potential to improve. Walnut Glen's PTA hosts our Fall Festival each year during the fall season. Parents, teachers, students and some of our WATCH D.O.G.S. come together to provide food, drinks, carnival games, the Turkey Trot, and much much more. Book Fairs Every Fall and Spring WGA holds a week long book fair in our library. There is a wide selection of books, pencils and stickers to choose from. The book fair is a fantastic way to help support our school and it also encourages our students to read more. Multicultural Night Walnut Glen Academy's annual Multicultural Night is always a huge success! Thank you to all of the teachers, parents, and students who volunteer their time to make it such a fantastic night. This exploration is done so through music, dance, art , games, and food. Families who attended were able to try the different types of food from all around the world, including Ethiopia, Mexico, Vietnam, Turkey, and many many more. Spring Creek BBQ Spirit Night Walnut Glen Academy partnered up with Spring Creek BBQ for a fundraising night. It is a night of good eats and fun times. Teachers wear their hand designed aprons while serving dinner rolls to the customers. Spring Creek BBQ Donates a certain percentage of the nights earnings to our school. Fine Arts Festival An entire week dedicated to celebrating the masterpieces created by our young artists during the school year. All week long parents and guests are invited to tour the halls of WGA at your leisure. The halls of WGA will be lined with art pieces from all different grade levels. Parents and guests are encouraged to come and spend some creative time discussing art with your student.