



## **Whiteface CISD**

### **School Health Advisory Minutes February 14, 2014**

#### **I. Minutes from November 22, 2013**

#### **II. Items for Information/Health Concerns**

- a. The TTUHSC hearing study has been completed. We had 42 students in grades 7 through 12 participate in the hearing study. The purpose of this study was to compare noise exposure and hearing sensitivity of adolescents that live in rural versus urban areas of West Texas. Adolescents in rural areas may be more likely to be exposed to loud noise associated with farm equipment, gunfire, and heavy machinery. As a result, rural adolescents may also be more likely to show signs of early noise-induced hearing loss.
- b. We collected 22 units of blood at our Whiteface CISD Christmas Blood Drive that was held on December 12, 2013.
- c. We started our Spring Staff Wellness Program on January 27th.
- d. January and February have been busy months for the flu, strep and RSV. We remind students to cover their cough and wash their hands with soap and water. Mrs. Turner has been reminding parents through her weekly parent note and Facebook, to not send your child to school until they have been fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT the use of fever reducing medications.
- e. February is National Children's Dental Month. South Plains Rural Health Dental will be coming out and doing presentations and screenings on PK through 2nd grades in February.
- f. The school nurse will be attending a "Bed Bug" webinar and "Food Allergy" webinar in February.
- g. Our Whiteface CISD Spring Blood Drive will be Wednesday, April 9th. Our seniors that have donated at least three times during their high school career will receive a red cord to wear at graduation.
- h. Calvert Home Health will be in the school nurse's office on Thursday, April 24, 2014 for our spring student immunization clinic. These clinics have made it very convenient on parents and students to receive required and recommended immunizations. For our senior students attending college, they will have to have had a meningitis vaccine within the last 5 years.

#### **III. Next Meeting - April 2014**