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# THE CANYON CREEK CHRONICLE

A Newsletter for the Canyon Creek Community

The Canyon Creek Chronicle is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Canyon Creek residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

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## The Benefits of Hosting Span Borders

Traveling the world and experiencing new cultures is something many dream of but few are able to do. Hosting an Ayusa exchange student provides the opportunity to experience the world while bringing other benefits to their family and local community.

For schools, opening their doors to an exchange student provides their students the opportunity to experience new cultures and expand their understanding of the global society. Not only will students be able to expand their circle of friends, they will be able to reference different perspectives of world events. The new perspectives that both local and exchange students gain through the exchange experience are invaluable for the everexpanding global community.

Ayusa exchange students are eager to learn and participate in school and community programs. They take their role as ambassadors for their country seriously. Ayusa students are not simply bystanders to their program year; they are active participants looking to make a difference in their host school and community.

Aysua exchange students are strong academic performers, well-rounded, and open-minded. Prospective students go through an extensive interview process in their home countries and are evaluated for maturity, strength of goals, leadership skills, and academic background. Ayusa honors all school enrollment standards, academic requirements and student placement criteria specified in school or district policies.

Host families also reap the benefits of opening their home by sharing their America. When they share with their exchange student, they are also able to see America with fresh eyes through the student. Families often learn new things about the U.S. and have different perspectives after hosting. The experiences and memories that are shared during the program last a lifetime and span international borders.

For more information about hosting a high school foreign exchange student, please contact your local representative Vicki Odom at 832.455.7881 or vodom@ayusa.org or Ayusa at 1.888.552.9872 or by visiting the

website at www.ayusa.org.



#### **ABOUT AYUSA**

Ayusa is a non-profit educational organization that promotes global learning and leadership through foreign exchange and leadership program programs for high school students from around the world. Ayusa offers unique, richly personal cross-cultural experiences for students, volunteer host families, schools, and local communities.

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Grisham Middle School	
Westwood High School512-46-	4-4000
UTILITIES	
Pedernales Electric512-21	9-2602
Texas Gas Service	
Custom Service1-800-700	0-2443
Emergencies512-37	0-8609
Call Before You Dig512-472	2-2822
AT&T	
New Service1-800-46-	4-7928
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# Keep the Fun in Summer

At Neighbors, we know that sun and fun can turn into sunburn and injury if you're not careful. Slipping by the pool, overshooting the slide, canoeing without sunscreen, or an unexpected wasp sting can sour any good day. Luckily, Neighbors is there to treat you 24/7 with little to no wait time. Our Board Certified physicians will get you back to enjoying summer fun.

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# TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

### FOUR-LINED PLANT BUGS



Four-lined plant bugs are brightly colored. Nymphs (immatures) are red while older nymphs start to have wing pads with yellow and black stripes. Adults have fully developed wings that are yellow and black striped. Adults look similar to, and may be mistaken for, striped cucumber beetles.

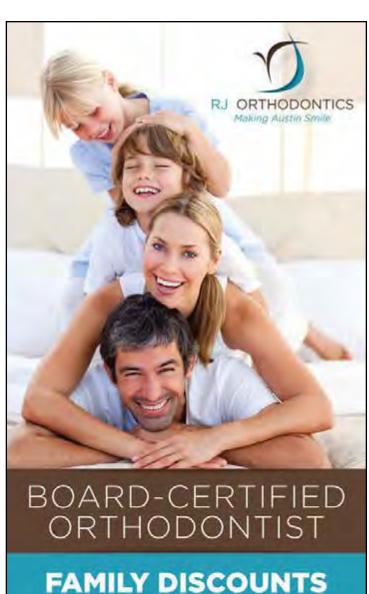
These insects have piercing-sucking mouthparts which they use to suck out plant juices. The plant bugs suck out chlorophyll and leave a "window" between the upper and lower epidermis of the leaf. Damage appears as white, dark or translucent spots of foliage and is sometimes mistaken for fungal damage. Feeding may also cause curling and browning. Fortunately, damage is mostly cosmetic, but if you are trying to eat the foliage of the damaged plant it may become a problem.

The insects feed on a wide variety of hosts, including fruits and vegetables, annuals and perennials and woody plants. When disturbed, the insects are fairly good at hiding. They either crawl to the underside of the leaves or drop to the ground to hide among foliage.

If you feel the need to manage these insects, try insecticidal soap. If that doesn't work, you can try azadirachtin (neem- concentrate, not oil; it's getting too hot to use oil formulations) or pyrethrins. If that doesn't work then try a residual contact product.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com.

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#### Asthma can be controlled, not cured

Medications and lifestyle changes help manage asthma, but they will not actually cure it

"You still have airway inflammation that needs to be treated," said Dr. Nicola Hanania, associate professor of medicine at BCM.

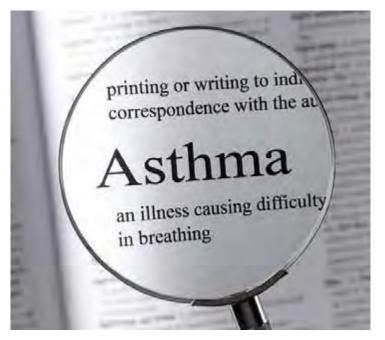
Asthma has a higher prevalence in the inner city population. Treatment incorporates anti-inflammatory medications and lifestyle changes.

Hanania stresses controlling indoor allergens such as dust mites and mold, as well as controlling exposure to second hand smoke.

Although asthma symptoms may not be as apparent when medication and lifestyle changes are incorporated, asthma is not actually cured. If medication or lifestyle changes are stopped, signs of poor control, such as exacerbations and an increased use of an inhaler, will appear and can lead to emergency room visits, hospitalizations and sometimes even death.

Hanania suggests proper education about asthma and having an action plan and knowing when to get help or when to go to the emergency room.

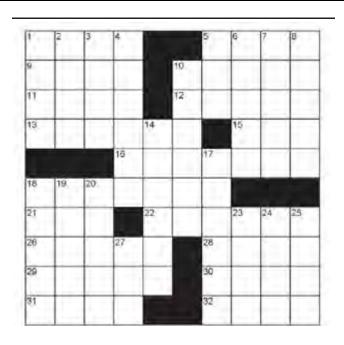
It is possible for adults to develop asthma even though it was not present previously.





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#### **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Among
- 5. Cubby
- 9. Santa call (2 wds.)
- 10. British princess
- 11. Absent
- 12. Praise
- 13. Her former last name
- 15. Ball holder
- 16. Surpasses
- 18. Bar enforcer
- 21. Trail
- 22. Humorous
- 26. Bets
- 28. Information
- 29. Vista
- 30. Paradise
- 31. Animal group
- 32. Lady

#### DOWN

- 1. Hit
- 2. State
- 3. Tai
- 4. Saucy Girl
- 5. Tyrannosaurus
- 6. Speak
- 7. Eyed
- 8. Tiny insects
- 10. Wears mesh mask to fight
- 14. Tax
- 17. Worn
- 18. Cheeky
- 19. Small measurement 1/16 of a pound
- 20. Whoop
- 23. Cipher
- 24. Object
- 25. Walking stick
- 27. The \_\_ (final word)

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# The Value of Sleep for Children and Teens

- Shelley Coleman M.A., L.P.C.-S.

As important as food and water, sleep is vital to your well-being. And, if you are a parent, research shows that your children are not getting the sleep they need. According to the National Sleep Foundation, children (ages 6-13) require 9-11 hours of sleep per night and adolescents (ages 13-18) require 9-10 hours per night. A recent study from the Centers for Disease Control found that 31% of teens get 8 hours or less of sleep per night and most school age children are getting 8.5 hours.

For growing brains and bodies, not getting enough sleep can have consequences on school and relationships. Teens and children can have difficulty concentrating when sleep deprived. And, according to the Sleep Disorder's Center, approximately 1,550 people are killed annually in crashes related to drowsy driving. Often, these crashes are caused by young people under the age of 25.

On the contrary, quality sleep has been linked to improved attention, better mental health, and lower risk of obesity. In recognizing the importance of quality sleep, parents can help children establish healthy sleep habits at an early age. If healthy sleep hygiene is established in adolescents, those habits can carry into adulthood.

Healthy sleep habits for teens and children include:

• a set bedtime and wake time that does not vary by more than 2

hours on the weekend

- a relaxing bedtime routine such as reading for teens or story time for children
- no "exciting" activities at bedtime such as jumping or wrestling for children or computer games for teens
- · daily exercise
- · healthy diet
- no caffeine after 4 PM

If you think your teen or child may have a sleep issue, there are common symptoms you may notice. For adolescents, parents may have difficulty waking them in the morning or observe that their teen is irritable in the early afternoon. Children may require excessive "help" falling asleep, wake many times during the night, or cause their parents to lose sleep. While these symptoms are usually easily addressed by improving sleep habits, more severe symptoms should be addressed with the help of a pediatrician or behavior specialist.

As parents, the value that we place on sleep is a big influence on our children's attitude toward sleep. Fortunately, there are a lot of practical steps we can take to help our children get the sleep they need. There are too many benefits of good sleep for our teens and children to miss out on them.



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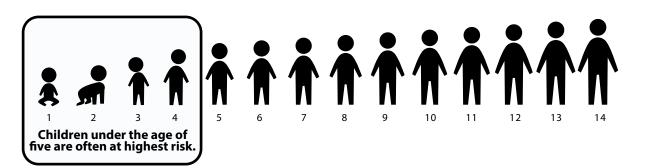






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