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Cypress Family Invited to MLB Spring Training and Immediately Start Teaching



A father and two sons from Cypress Texas were invited to the Oakland Athletics Spring Training camp to demonstrate a new “timing” training for batters and were immediately inserted into the drills for players to perform. The reason the Cox family (lifelong Astros fans) were invited to the A’s camp was because this team’s newly selected vision doctor, had seen their timing training and said, “What you have created, I have dreamed about for 30 years.” “As soon as I got the call from the A’s, I thought of your training.” So, Robin, Preston (Cy Ranch H.S.) and Ethon (Cy Fair H.S.) journeyed to Mesa Arizona to demonstrate a ‘pitching’ machine that mimics the best Cy Young pitchers in Major League Baseball...only better.

Robin had no idea what to expect and was only told that they would be given about two-hours to demonstrate the timing machine’s capabilities. He asked himself, would they drive 1200 miles, give a short demo and then have to turn around and come back? But he had no worries, he just put it all in God’s hands. After all, what an adventure to make with two of your sons.

They arrived the day before the demonstration and since the machine was a prototype, they wanted to make sure it was working properly. After they set up, one of the coaches came by and asked, can I see it? So, they gave him a demonstration. What was the coach’s

reaction? He was instantly amazed and immediately went to get more coaches to come and see the timing machine.

The next day, the buzz around the camp was about the timing machine and when it was time to demonstrate, they had over 20 coaches and sports vision doctors inside the batting cage crowding in on both sides of home plate, all trying to get a better view of the pitches. The common denominator between all the coaches and doctors after seeing a few pitches...they just look at each other and smile...’as they ask, how do they do that?’

Instead of packing to leave, the coaches decided right then to make them part of their practice as they demonstrated their timing training to over 75 players. Why?

Imagine being able to practice every day against the best MLB pitches in the league. Tracking and timing a “Verlander type” slider and next an “Aroldis Chapman type” fastball and then a “Kershaw curve?” and programmed to throw in any combination to any location of the strike zone...but now you can practice against these pitches every day!

As one player told them, “Every College and High school team will want this!” And another chimed in, “Shoot, every Little Leaguers mom will want this.” Will you improve your timing? Well the Oakland A’s seemed to think so because they indicated that they would be interested to put this timing training at every level within their organization. So, what is next step for the Cox’s.

The next step is to place their NextGen machine “Nolan” through a mileage test to verify no significant mechanical issues after 100,000 plus pitches. And barring an exclusive deal with the A’s or another MLB club, they want to help baseball and softball players of every age enjoy the game more...because hitting is fun...and its why we play the game.

What started out as a grand adventure for a father and his sons has now turned into something far more important...helping the underdog. Whether it’s the Little Leaguer sitting at the end of the bench, a prospective select or high school player or a small market MLB team.

Parents or coaches of baseball and softball players interested in improving their timing for hitting...may contact Coach Robin at Robin.Cox@BreakoutHitting.com

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Swenke Elementary

Thank you Volunteers!!

A huge THANK YOU to all the families who stepped up this year and helped in many aspects at our school; in both monetary donations and volunteering hours. We could not do this without you!! Those at our school; staff, administration, and students are so grateful for all the hard work you have put into making our school an amazing place to be.

Thank you Board Members!!

A special thank you goes to the PTO Board members this year, we are so grateful for all you do (most of it behind the scenes). An ENORMOUS thank the outgoing Board members: Jessica Downey, Marina Tatum and Karla Woods for the multitude of contributions they have made during their time on the PTO Board. You will be missed. We appreciate our returning Board members: Bella Anguiano, Shelley Cooper, Amy Matthews, Heather Quist, and Karen Thompson. And last, but not least, we welcome our newest Board Members: Erika Hamrick, Courtney Jasso, and Monica Simmons.

End of Year Wrap-Up

We wrapped up the year with our fun Family Bingo Night. This family event was made possible by many Fairfield businesses that sponsored the event. We appreciate you all! The End of Year Parties and 5th Grade celebrations were a huge success. It was a great way to finish the year off and roll into summer!

Keep an eye out for details about the Ice Cream Social before school starts. We look forward to seeing you all next school year. Thank you again!

Swenke Elementary PTO

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18 Superior Ratings

Submitted by Kellen Kocurek, Band Booster President

Congratulations to the Bridgeland High School Wind Symphony, Symphon-ic Winds, and Symphonic Band! All three bands received Division I (Superior) ratings from all judges at UIL Concert and Sight-reading.

Each group prepared and performed three pieces for the judges in the Concert portion of the UIL contest. All three bands received Division One (Superior) Ratings for all three judges.

Then they competed in Sight-reading, where they have approximately 10 minutes to look over a piece that they have never seen or performed. The director provides instructions, but the students cannot play any notes. Then they perform for the judges. Again, all three bands received Division One (Superior) ratings from all three judges. That's three bands, 18 judges' ratings, and 18 highest scores. This competition culminated a very successful year for BHS.

In Marching season, the band was the class champion at the Bands of America Houston Regional, was Grand Champion and class champion at the Battle at the Berry, received a Division One (Superior) rating at UIL, and advanced to Area competition finishing 12th.

The color guard finished 3rd at the TCGC State Championships this spring after winning numerous competitions along the way.

In their first year, the Indoor Percussion finished 10th at the TCGC State Percussion Championships after starting the season setting a state record for the highest score ever in their class in their debut performance.

Bridgeland is in its second year after opening for the 2017-18 school year. The school consists of juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. There are no seniors at this time.

Band directors are Shawn McAnear (Wind Symphony and Director of Bands), Brent Marquart (Symphonic Winds), and Chris Nguyen (Concert Band).



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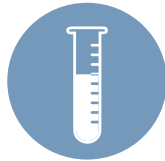
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Amazing Bridgeland HS Video Goes Viral!

For over two weeks, the audio/video students at Bridgeland High School (9 kids total) worked with the whole school on a video assignment to make a lip dub mash-up. They got permission from Weezer to use their cover of "Take On Me" and clubs/teams re-enacted over 25 iconic scenes from 80s movies while lip syncing the song.

The kids did all the work, from the planning, to filming, directing, editing, and then distribution. The clubs/teams did their own costuming and props. The parade scene was a blast to film because the kids were so into it.

Since Bridgeland is a new school they didn't have prom or homecoming, but they did have this: a coming together of kids who love movies and wanted to be a part of something bigger than themselves. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zlj17fcuvPs&t=7s>



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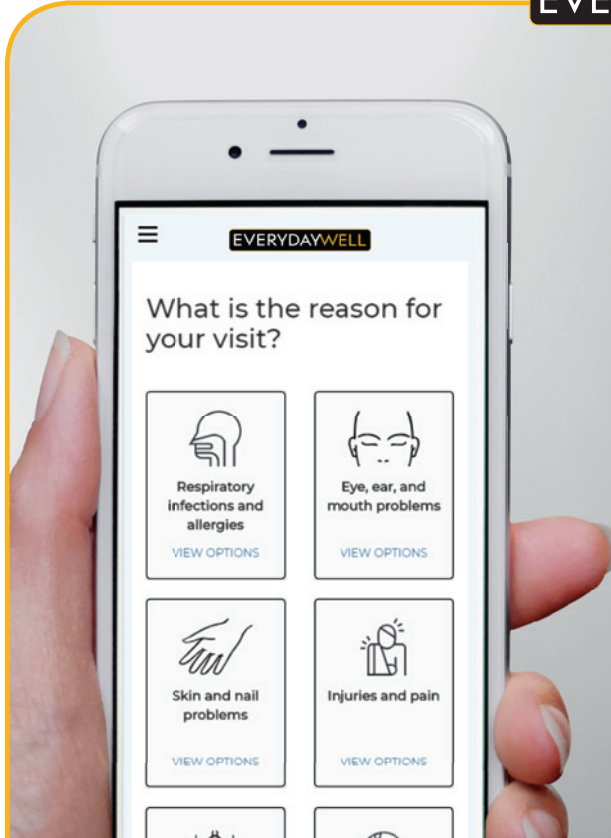
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Mom and Dad



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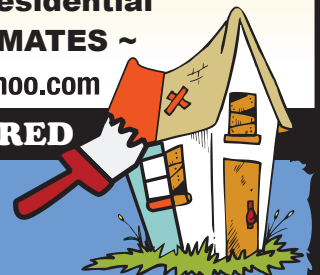
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