

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE BOULEVARD

October Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 9th

Power Asynchronous Day

October 10th

Student Holiday

October 13th - 14th

Student/Teacher Fall Break

October 31st

Fall Semester Progress Report #2

SPORTS

October 1st

RCBOE XC Meet @
Diamond Lakes

October 2nd

JV Football Playoffs

October 3rd

Varsity Football: Laney vs Josey

October 8th

All-County Meet @ Diamond
Lakes

JV Football Championship

October 11th

LCL HOMECOMING 2025
Varsity Football: Laney vs Butler

October 24th

Varsity Football: Laney vs GHHS



September Recap

Can you believe we are going into our third month of school? September brought a wave of excitement and milestones.

To recap our best September moments:

- JROTC students embodied the spirit of service by feeding the hungry. Our Cadets volunteered at Golden Harvest's Master Table Soup Kitchen.
- Friday, September 26th, our school hosted a Blood Drive in partnership with Sheppard Community Blood Center. We saw a great turn out for this. There were 29 good units of blood collected at the blood drive on Friday. This was the most "successful" drive at Laney since 2014! Did you know, each donation can save up to three lives?
- Students made their voices heard by casting votes for Class King & Queen and Club Kings & Queens. The school spirit was alive and well as students ran for homecoming spots!

Whether serving meals or giving blood, or voting, our Wildcats are proving that real leadership starts with giving back.

We are looking forward to an even better October!

Spotlights



Our **male student athletes** had their tie ceremony.

9TH

Jazzyra Walker

September Student of the Month



Our first **blood drive** of the year had a high participation rate.

10TH

Lauren Walker

September Student of the Month



Laney Pearls had their induction ceremony.

11TH

Ryan Harris

September Student of the Month



JROTC went to Golden Harvest to serve the less fortunate.

12TH

Aniya Jones

September Student of the Month



Principal's Message

We have completed two months of school, and what a great time it has been! I am proud of the commitment, energy, and focus I see from both our students and staff each day. The foundation we are building together will set the tone for continued success throughout the year. As we move forward, let us remember: Excellence is not achieved overnight, it is the result of consistent effort, determination, and belief in our shared vision. Every lesson taught, every challenge overcome, and every step forward brings us closer to our goals.

Let's continue to inspire one another to reach higher, push further, and remain steadfast in our mission to Empower, Engage, and Excel: Every Learner, Every Day.

~ **Dr. Middleton**

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Homecoming Highlights

Homecoming is almost here! This is one of the biggest traditions of the year where students, staff, alumni, and families all come together to celebrate school pride. From Spirit Week dress-up days to the pep rally and the big game, there's always something exciting happening. Below are our winners.

Kings and Queens

Freshman:**Queen:** Tonisha McGowan**King:** Vernon Frails**Sophomore:****Queen:** Sanyria Harden**King:** Kenneth Flournoy**Junior:****Queen:** Camille Scott**King:** Sanquan Harden**Senior:****Queen:** Erika Barnes**King:** Amonte' Jackson**JROTC****Queen:** Jayla Beecham**King:** Ryan Harris**AP:****Miss:** Cadyn Wilson**Mr:** Brice Williams**POA:****Miss:** Jeorgia Green**Mr:** Jaylen Newton**Miss CTAE:**

Zy'Keria Dawson

Miss P.E.A.R.L:

CaMya Moore

Miss Art:

Kemiya Smiley

Miss Math club:

Kaliah Willingham

Automotive:**Miss:** Ja'Karria McGriff**Mr:** Quatavius Walker**Miss Cosmetology:**

Ta'Mya Lewis

Miss DECA:

Charlize Williams

Miss JV Cheer:

Chrisyia Bush

Miss Varsity Cheer:

Ciara Williams

Mr. Football:

Sharif Welch

Miss Tennis:

Kamille Davis

Miss Volleyball

Aamia Bennett

Miss Track and Field:

Camile Stallings

**Congratulations
to everyone!**

Student Feature

Stop the Violence

Dear Staff of Laney High School,

Our community is facing a serious crisis as more young people are being lost to gun violence, drugs, and the struggles that lead to students being expelled. These tragedies are not distant headlines; they affect our friends, classmates, and neighbors. To protect our future and show that our school cares, we need to take action now. A "Stop the violence" Rally would give us the chance to speak out together and shine a light on the dangers our students face every day.

This rally should bring together everyone who could help: alumni, parents, local leaders, and community organizations. When students see graduates, family members, and represented neighbors standing beside them, it sends a powerful message that their lives matter. Guest speakers could share real stories, inspire hope, and connect students to resources with music, art, and student performances.

Beyond raising, the rally can launch new opportunities. We could invite scholarship programs, mentoring groups, and career training organizations to set up tables and talk with students. These programs can give kids a path to success and keep them focused on their goals. By hosting a stop the violence rally, our school would not only speak out against harm, but also help open up doors to brighter futures for every student.

-Sumariee Epps

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Teacher Feature

Mr. Rodriguez – Our One to Watch and Stories of Inspiration

"At Laney we've learned that adversity does not define us, it strengthens us. Like Wildcats before us like myself, my story of overcoming obstacles to graduate, rising above challenges with the determination of greatness made me the person I am today. Every obstacle we face becomes proof of our resilience, shaping us into champions who never quit. Laney pride is built on perseverance, and our legacy is overcoming adversity together."

To read more about Mr. Rodriguez story visit
<https://www.augustachronicle.com/story/news/education/2012/05/19/laney-high-star-athlete-overcomes-odds-graduate/14496849007/>

- Coach Rodriguez

Ms. Davis – Our Teacher of the Month for September

"I want to thank everyone for voting me Teacher of the Month. I will continue to ensure that my students feel seen and valued in my classroom every day. This award makes me feel appreciated, and for that, I am truly grateful."

- Ms. Davis

Mrs. Seabrook – Our Classified Staff of the Month for September

"Make every effort to change things you do not like.
If you cannot make a change, change the way.
You have been thinking. You might find a new solution"

- Mrs. Seabrook

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