Superintendent's Blog

This post has been designed to answer questions that the community may have regarding school related issues. If you have a question about school operations; policy, budget, future plans or anything similar that you would like to see answered in a public forum, you may mail, email or call me with your question. If you would prefer to remain anonymous, please make that request.

Although there is no such thing as a bad question, certain questions may not be addressed, specifically questions that deal with individual students or individual personnel. It would be unethical to discuss these topics in a public forum. These are also considered to be confidential topics according to state law.

Gossip and hearsay are damaging to our school. It is my hope that this "blog" will address some of the rumors that are typical in every community and that it will set the facts straight. We don't claim to be perfect but we do make every effort to be open and honest regarding our school business. My hope is that this "blog" can prevent us from getting sidetracked so we can stay focused on our mission of educating our students.

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Farwell ISD parents and community,

This school year Farwell ISD will implement arming faculty and staff in school. I want to assure everyone that this decision was made with a great deal of thought, time and preparation to ensure we are providing the safest environment for our students. The Farwell ISD school board implemented even more requirements for being armed in school than the State law requires.

As a parent and employee of the school district, I know how great our school is and believe that we have a wonderful and safe environment for all of our students. In today's environment we feel adding this extra safety measure is the next logical step to ensure everyone's well-being.

While we will have armed staff at our school there seems to be a misunderstanding that people not employed by our school will be able to have their guns in our school or at school functions. This is not true. Only approved Farwell ISD school employees are permitted to have a gun at school or school functions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at my office.