



# North East Independent School District

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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

- What:** Northwood Elementary School will hold a dedication ceremony and open house for its new air-conditioned gym.
- Who:** The reception will include five speakers: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Richard A. Middleton, Northwood Principal June Sharrer, City of San Antonio Councilman John Clamp, Board of Trustees Member Randy Bristow and P.E. Teacher Ninfa Salinas. Northwood students and parents will also attend.
- When:** January 28, 2011, 6 p.m.
- Where:** Northwood Elementary School, 519 Pike  
**Media will need to ask accompanying parents for permission to film, photograph or interview students.**
- Why:** Air-conditioned school gyms play an important role in the North East's wellness and equity initiatives. By upgrading older facilities to the standards of newer facilities, students and staff have a more productive activity period and face fewer heat-related health issues. This project was built into the 2007 bond program for all NEISD campuses to have air-conditioned gyms. For Northwood, this required building an entirely new gym for the school. This new gym will help enhance the quality of recreational facilities available to the community.
- Visuals:** Community members will tour the new gym. A slideshow photo presentation will run during the ceremony.

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### About NEISD:

North East ISD has more than 70 schools and magnet programs with a fall 2010 enrollment of more than 66,000 students. NEISD employs more than 8,000 people. It is the second largest public school district in the San Antonio area and the eighth largest in the state. Under the Texas accountability system, 87 percent of NEISD schools are rated Exemplary or Recognized. The district earned Recognized for the third year in a row. More information about NEISD can be found at [www.neisd.net](http://www.neisd.net).