

## COMING UP

**THURSDAY, JUNE 15**

Live at the Lake-G Top Band  
6-8 p.m. Priddy Pavilion

**SATURDAY, JUNE 17**

Cyanotype workshop  
2-4 p.m. WFMA

**MONDAY, JUNE 19**

Emancipation Day Holiday  
Campus closed

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

July 4 Holiday  
Campus closed

**Third Annual Firecracker Mile**

7 a.m. Downtown Wichita Falls

**THURSDAY, JULY 6**

Cut Paper workshop  
5:30-7:30 p.m. WFMA

**SATURDAY, JULY 8**

Cut Paper workshop  
2-4 p.m. WFMA

## AROUND CAMPUS

### WFMA: Live at the Lake

Live at the Lake will host the G Top Band from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at the Priddy Pavilion at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas. The Gypsy Kit food truck will be on hand. Bring your chairs or blankets and drinks (limited to beer and wine). Recommended donation of \$10 at door. Call the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

### WFMA: Cyanotype workshop

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host a cyanotype workshop from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, June 17. Cyanotype is a photographic process that creates a cyan blue silhouette when an object is placed on a reactive surface and exposed to ultraviolet light. Materials are provided. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

### Third Annual Firecracker Mile

The Third Annual Firecracker Mile, hosted by MSU Texas Cross Country and Track, will be Tuesday, July 4, in downtown Wichita Falls. Registration is \$35 for the All-Comers and Mustangs Mile. Registration for children ages 5 to 12 is \$20. Registration for the kids' half-mile (under 5 years old) is \$10. **All runners must register no later than June 29 to be eligible for awards and guaranteed a shirt size.** Registration includes a participant award and T-shirt. Awards will be presented to the top male and female from each age group and for the top three overall finishers. Age groups include 12-17, 17-20, 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s and 70-plus. Packet pickup is from 3-5 p.m. Monday, July 3, at Endurance House or the morning of the race from 6-6:30 a.m. For more information contact Women's Cross Country and Track coach Kelsey Bruce at [kelsey.bruce@msutexas.edu](mailto:kelsey.bruce@msutexas.edu).

### Schedule of Events

7 a.m. All-Comers Mile  
7:20 a.m. Mustangs Mile (Sub 6:00)  
7:35 a.m. Kids Half-Mile  
7:50 a.m. Post-Race Party at the Duck Coffee Company (717 7th St.)  
9:00 a.m. Fourth of July Parade begins

### WFMA: Cut paper workshop

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host two cut paper workshops this summer. Participants will make collages inspired by works in the "A Survey of Artists from Erin Cluley Gallery" exhibition. The workshop is free and all supplies provided. Workshops will be from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, July 6, and 2-4 p.m. Saturday, July 8. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

## CAMPUS NEWS

### MSU Texas Disc Golf

The Midwestern State University Disc Golf team, established in March 2022, directed four big events, competed in two major collegiate events, and strengthened ties with the local community during its first full season in 2022-23. [Read more about the team](#) in the MSU Texas news.

### Completing degree unexpected high point for successful advertiser

In April 2018, former Wichitan Pedro Lerma was the keynote speaker at the Zavala Hispanic Leadership Banquet in Wichita Falls. In his speech, he told the crowd that he regretted dropping out of college before earning his degree. A few days later, he received a LinkedIn invitation from Midwestern State University's former Vice President for University Advancement Tony Vidmar, who had attended the event, suggesting that it wasn't too late – he could still complete his degree. Vidmar offered to help get the process started if Lerma was interested. Lerma followed up, thinking that getting a diploma would be a box he could check off in his head. It was more than that. [Read Lerma's story](#) in the MSU Texas news.

### MSU Texas Esports

MSU Texas Esports won a championship in Spring 2023 as the JV Super Smash Bros. team won a league championship against other college teams. The JV Smash team lost only once, compiling a 7-1 record in league play. It's the first championship team

for the young program. [Read more about the team](#) in the MSU Texas news.

## McCoy College students present at microbiology conference

Students from the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering recently attended the spring meeting of the American Society for Microbiology Texas Branch where they presented posters on their research. [Read more about the students](#) in the MSU Texas news.

## Pettijohn embraces college challenge

Gabbie Pettijohn was ready to embrace the challenge of college classes, even while she was a shining star at City View High School in Wichita Falls. She had a vision to attend law school. Earning college credits a little early would get her to that stage even quicker. So she signed up for dual credit courses with Midwestern State University. [Read about Gabbie](#) in the MSU Texas news.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### WFMA LEGO printing workshops

The WFMA at MSU Texas will host LEGO printing workshops from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, August 10, and from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, August 19. Participants will make use LEGO pieces and ink to make relief prints. Instructor will be Sarah Griego. Workshop is free and all materials provided. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Tech for Teens hosted a “Day of Code” in Bolin Science Hall on May 20. Twenty students from WFISD and the surrounding area learned to code using Khan Academy, competed in a coding contest, and participated in a discussion about ChatGPT and Artificial Intelligence led by Terry McAdams of MacTech Solutions. Interim Dean of the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering **Sarah Cobb** and Chair of Computer Science **Catherine Stringfellow** welcomed students and volunteers. The event was organized and led by Tech for Teens senior primary instructor, Ann James, a Hirschi High School junior who teaches free online coding classes. Founder Sonya Ganeshram attended the event. Also in attendance were Tech for Teens board members Deepika Bollini, Professor of Computer Science **Tina Johnson**, Lynn Seman, and Computer Science Instructor **Mika Morgan**. The event was sponsored by the McCoy College and First National Bank of Wichita Falls.

Professor of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology **Frank Wyatt** and **Michael Olson**, chair of Athletic Training &

Physiology, presented at the 2023 American College of Sports Medicine Conference held in Denver, Colorado, May 30-June 2. Wyatt and former undergraduate exercise physiology student **Billie Roberts** presented a poster titled, “A Dose-response Exercise Treatment for Chronic Pain: A Qualitative Meta-analysis.” Olson presented a poster titled, “Modified Trunk and Lower Extremity Biomechanics during Running at Preferred Speed: A Case Study in Foot Landing Type and Footwear.”

Among the 97 new or re-elected division councilors of the General Council to the Council on Undergraduate Research are two from MSU Texas – Chair and Professor of Undergraduate Education **Suzanne Lindt** and Associate Professor of Graduate and Adult Education **Emily Smith**. They are volunteers and leaders in the Educational Division, one of 13 divisions. Lindt serves as chair of the education division and has served two terms as a councilor. Smith serves as secretary of the division, having finished her first term. Their new three-year terms begin on July 1, 2023. Founded in 1978, the Council on Undergraduate Research focuses on providing high-quality and collaborative undergraduate research, scholarly, and creative activity. Among the many activities and networking opportunities that CUR provides, the organization also offers support for the professional growth of faculty and administrators through expert-designed institutes, conferences, and a wide-range of volunteer positions.

## WELCOME

### Brenita Jackson

Head Coach, Women's Basketball

### Kevin Jackson

Assistant Coach, Women's Basketball

### Cayla Mathison

Budget Specialist and Assistant to VP, Administration & Finance

### Elizabeth O'Harris

Human Resources Assistant

### Juan Mercado

Coordinator, Tutoring and Academic Support Programs

### Leonard Smith

Assistant Coach, Men's Soccer

## JOBS

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### Administrative & Certification/Accreditation Specialist

Department: West College of Education

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,531 monthly, plus benefits

### **Business Consultant**

Department: Small Business Development Center

Starting Date: June 19, 2023

Starting Salary: \$3,479.67-\$4,583.33 monthly, plus benefits

### **Financial Aid Processor/Counselor (two positions)**

Department: Financial Aid

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,276.25 monthly, plus benefits

### **Project Coordinator, Dillard Success Initiative**

Department: Dillard College of Business Administration

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,814.33 monthly, plus benefits

### **Project Specialist, Residence Life & Housing**

Department: Residence Life & Housing

Starting Date: June 26, 2023

Starting Salary: \$2,531 monthly, plus benefits

### **Secretary, Graduate & Adult Education**

Department: West College of Education

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,045 monthly, plus benefits

## **FROM THE BOOKSTORE**

The MSU Texas Bookstore will have varied hours during the summer. Please check our [website](#) or Google for store hours each week. Thank you for your understanding.

The next *Update* will be published July 10, 2023. Please submit your information to [public.information@msutexas.edu](mailto:public.information@msutexas.edu) by **5 p.m. Thursday, July 6**, to be included in the next issue.