Boys Make Regional Waves

The boys RVHS swim team relays made it to the 2023 regionals. The Boys 200 Medley Relay featuring Bennet Engqala (backstroke), Augustus Hamilton (breaststroke), Raleigh Hamilton (butterfly), and Cole Mangone (freestyle), came within .25 seconds of the school record and placed 11th overall. The Boys 400 Freestyle Relay including Raleigh Hamilton, Augustus Hamilton, Gavin Floyd, and Cole Mangone also placed 11th overall. A big congratulations to Augustus Hamilton who qualified for the 100 Breaststroke and took 17th overall. The boys finished 16th in the region as a team.

By: Jailyn Spady

Band Victories

The Blue Coat Regiment made its 2023 competitive premiere at the Wiregrass Ranch High School Marching Music Festival. They competed their program ‘Stranded’ in Class 3A. The band earned second in their class and was named Second Runner-Up Grand Champion. In their second competition the group received the school’s 20th Overall Superior rating in 25 years. They also earned their 12th consecutive Overall Superior rating. Additionally this award marked the Blue Radiance Color Guard’s 16th consecutive Superior. They then went on to compete at the Braden River Marching Band Invitational, taking home third place with a score of 78.65.
Two RVHS students, a part of the art program, were selected to enter their art into the 50th annual Temple Terrace Arts and Crafts Festival. Milo Henry and Kayla Datelle were two nominees out of just five other students in the area. The festival was held in Tampa and featured over one hundred artists and crafters who showcased their work. The event was presented by the Clark-Schine Family Foundation and honored select artists and crafters for their work. The festival featured live music, food, and endless artwork. Milo Henry felt that this was a huge accomplishment for the RVHS art program, having two talented artists get nominated to share their creative work with the world.

Pictured above, the first-place winner of the 2023-24 Poetry Jam, Grace Edmonds