

## Legacy Project

For my legacy project I wanted to leave a project that would both reflect my personality as well as be of use to the agriculture department. The back doors to the ag department are situated at the back of the school building. When parents come to the ag department they use the back doors. Buses, administrators, and other teachers also use these doors. I thought it would be nice to improve this area by adding new flower beds as well as a sign welcoming visitors to the ag department. First, my classes, Ms. Beard, and I cleaned out an existing flower bed around a tree and planted new flowers in it. It really freshened up the area.



Next, the home improvement class built a large planter for a sago palm and flowers to be planted in for the area where there is only concrete. It added some balance and color to the back doors.



On the other side of the doors was an area where the grass grew all the way to the side of the building. For this area my classes, Ms. Beard, and I had to pull out all of the grass and start a new flower bed from the ground up. After all of the grass was pulled out we tilled the soil and added potting soil. We then took rocks that matched the other flower beds and lined the new bed. The classes then planted new juniper shrubs, a sago palm, and pansy flowers.





The next section of my legacy project is a sign to welcome visitors to the Dulles High School Agriculture Department. I spoke with Mr. Foust, principal of Dulles High School to get his input on the project. He recommended that I draw inspiration from the

Luchenback, Texas sign for the Dulles FFA sign. I thought that this was a great idea so that is exactly what I did. I found a picture of the sign and made a sketch of what the sign should look like. It was very important to me that I include the year in which the Dulles FFA chapter was established. I wanted to cover the great majority of the wall to give it some life. I also wanted to include the animal side of FFA so I took an idea that we used at the county fair for the rest of the project. The signs that were hanging above the Dulles animals at the county fair were cut outs of the particular species that the student was showing. So, I decided this would be the perfect thing to go around the center sign. The auto cad class in the career and technology center cuts amazing signs and letters. This class cuts the letters out for the ag mechanic projects. They always do such a great job so I asked them to cut the signs for me. A student



and I measured all the dimensions and figured out the best plan for the sign. They cut out the Dulles FFA sign that includes established in 1959 as well as a pig, lamb, goat, and heifer.



My students painted the sign and the animals black and the maintenance department will come and hang the signs on the brick wall. I learned that in a school district as large as Fort Bend work orders take a significant amount of time to be filled. However, the work order is turned in and everything is ready to go on the wall.



I feel that the project turned out great. My students love it and take great pride in it because they were all involved in making it. I am most proud of it because I know it will be around forever.



### Cost of the Project

*Landscaping \$150.00*

Includes soil and plants

Rocks were left over from another project (no cost)

*Metal Signs Cut Outs \$75.00*

3x4 Dulles FFA Sign

4 18x24 Animal Cut Outs

It took an entire sheet of metal to cut out the animals

