

Quarterly Issues and Programs List for Station WTAW-AM/College Station TX January 1-March 31, 2022

(1) Coronavirus pandemic

WTAW News stories summarizing daily coronavirus pandemic reports from the Brazos County health district, averaging 30 seconds in length, at 6:06 a.m., 6:30 a.m., 7:06 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 8:06 a.m., 8:30 a.m., noon, 5:06 p.m., and 5:30 p.m. on January 3 and on weekdays between January 5 and January 21, 2022, when the health district discontinued the daily reports.

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/3/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:16	Texas A&M university tells faculty and staff to work from home this week due to a surge in pandemic cases and hospitalizations.
1/14/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:16	The Brazos County health district reports a record number of pandemic hospitalizations.
1/17/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:23	The Brazos County health district reports more than 3,000 active pandemic cases for the first time.
1/17/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:37	The Texas A&M university faculty senate is given a pandemic update that includes the deaths of 56 university employees and an explanation why A&M is not starting the semester with online classes.
1/21/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:01	Bryan and College Station ISD school board members take action on spending federal pandemic grant money.
1/21/2022	Live news conference from 2:00-2:45 p.m.			Brazos County health district pandemic news conference includes announcing the end of daily updates.
3/3/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:15	The Texas A&M university announces chancellor John Sharp contracted coronavirus.
3/8/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:10	Bryan ISD school board members show no opposition to spending \$800,000 dollars in federal pandemic grant money during the next four years to address classroom behavior.
3/22/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:53	A Brazos County health district spokeswoman tells local government officials the daily average of new pandemic cases has dropped from 850 in January to ten in the last two weeks.

(2) Texas A&M University new president's first year and the continuing provost search

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/21/2022	WTAW News	5:35 p.m.	:25	Texas A&M's president announces the selection of the university's first vice president of faculty affairs, a position she created.
2/25/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	Texas A&M's president tells WTAW News she has no timeline for finding a permanent provost. That's after the faculty senate asked the interim provost for an update.

(3) Non-pandemic issues involving Texas A&M University and the A&M System

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
2/3/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:21	Texas A&M university announces the search has opened for the next commandant of the corps of cadets.
2/14/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:33	Staff at Texas A&M's student newspaper say they are told by the university president to cease print publication immediately.
2/16/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:19	Texas A&M announces the Reed Arena basketball court will be named for retiring women's basketball head coach Gary Blair.
2/17/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:03	A Texas A&M system board of regents committee supports expanding football and track facility improvements by \$30 million dollars, to \$235 million.
2/21/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:54	The Texas A&M system board of regents agree to study how the poorest college students can delay paying for their education until after they graduate.
2/23/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:47	Texas A&M's president responds to a resolution passed by the faculty senate regarding comments by the Texas lieutenant governor about tenure and teaching critical race theory.
3/10/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:48	The Texas A&M system chancellor directs all system universities and agencies to end agreements with Russia due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.
3/22/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:15	Texas A&M's faculty senate passes a resolution with 96 percent support opposing the university president's decision directing 82 faculty librarians to take a teaching position in another department or become a staff employee.

(4) Non-pandemic issues involving Blinn College Brazos County campuses

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/19/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:32	Blinn College trustees accept a \$400,000 gift towards nursing student scholarships.
1/20/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:53	Blinn College trustees are given a construction update on a new administration building at the RELLIS campus and demolition of buildings on recently acquired property for a new Bryan campus administration building.
2/15/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:41	Blinn College trustees unanimously approve the administration's request to move to morning meetings over the objection of two members.
2/18/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:52	Blinn College trustees receive a spring enrollment report showing the college is within 642 students of last spring with enrollment continuing for 23 percent of available classes.
3/11/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:59	Blinn College trustees approve tuition and fee rates for the 2022-23 school year after comments concerning prices at competing community colleges.

(5) Non-pandemic business and Economic Development news in Bryan and College Station

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/13/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:13	Bryan city council members ask questions of the president of the Brazos Valley economic development corporation about how city money to the EDC is spent.
1/28/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:41	The Brazos Valley economic development corporation hosts a trade delegation from Japan.
1/31/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:13	The Chevrolet dealership in Bryan is purchased by a Victoria based company that owns five other new car dealers in Bryan and College Station.
2/15/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:49	Baylor Scott & White health announces plans for two more clinics in College Station and a construction update of a third clinic.
3/4/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:35	Preview of the groundbreaking of the first new construction in 70 years along downtown Bryan's Main Street, which is a five story complex of retail space and residential loft apartments.
3/10/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:08	The Brazos Valley economic development corporation hosts a trade delegation from Belgium.

3/14/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:15	Bryan-based ANCO Insurance announces a new president.
3/25/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	Rezoning to build a 52,000 square foot skilled nursing and assisted living center with 130 beds is approved by the College Station city council.

(6) Development of the city of Bryan’s new Midtown Park, also known as the “superpark”

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/3/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:53	Preview of the grand opening of the Big Shots entertainment complex at Bryan’s Midtown Park.
1/14/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:06	Bryan city council approves the purchase of a home and two lots next to Williamson Park, which is adjacent to Midtown Park.
1/21/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:42	Bryan’s public works director updates the deepening and widening of the lake at Midtown Park.

(7) College Station city council decided to hold a bond issue in the November 2022 election

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/14/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	College Station city council names a 23 member committee that will submit recommendations for a bond issue in the November 2022 election.
2/18/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:48	The College Station city council reviews the first meeting of its bond advisory committee.
3/7/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:59	Preview of the first community meeting to see and react to recommendations of a 23 member bond advisory committee.

(8) Bryan ISD school district search for a new superintendent

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/10/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:23	Bryan ISD opens an online survey asking patrons what qualities they want in the district’s next superintendent.
2/28/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:47	Bryan ISD school board members name the lone finalist for superintendent.

(9) Capital Improvement Projects in the College Station and Bryan school districts

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/11/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:15	The Bryan ISD school board agrees to build a new warehouse on newly acquired property where a new transportation and maintenance complex will be built.
1/25/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:03	Bryan ISD holds a groundbreaking ceremony for a multimillion dollar expansion at Rudder High School.
2/22/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	Bryan ISD school board members approve names for a new intermediate school and a new transportation and maintenance complex.

(10) Non-pandemic public safety activity

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/3/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:53	College Station police advisory of a new state law regarding parking in handicapped spaces in vehicles with disabled veterans license plates.
1/20/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:01	College Station's police chief tells the city council about a 113 percent increase in firearm thefts from 2019 to 2021 and what is being done in an attempt to reduce the number of those crimes.
1/21/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	1:14	College Station's fire chief updates the city council about the number of CSFD calls in the city of Bryan and how many Bryan fire calls in College Station.
1/28/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:38	A preview of a multi-agency emergency training exercise at Lake Bryan.
2/25/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:55	Texas A&M police provide tips to protect vehicles after 17 catalytic converters were stolen in one week.
3/4/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	11:13	Interview with the College Station police chief.
3/25/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:59	The Brazos County Judge says he sees staff support to consolidate three 9-1-1 agencies, one operated by the county and the city of Bryan, another operated by the city of College Station, and one operated by Texas A&M university.

(11) Non-pandemic local political activity

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/31/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:27	The city of Bryan announces the process of filling of the single member district four council seat following the unexpected death of Flynn Adcock.
2/3-5 and 2/8-11/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	~1:30	Profiles of candidates running in Brazos County March primary contested races.
2/7/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:49	Those attending a chamber of commerce conference are told there could be county wide bond issue for roads in the November 2022 election.
2/9/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:30	The Brazos County treasurer, who filed for re-election, decided after the filing deadline that she doesn't not want to seek re-election.
2/16/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:59	The College Station ISD school board is asked to hold another bond election to fund repairs and improvements at athletic facilities that failed in a November 2021 bond issue.
3/1/2022	WTAW News live broadcast of primary election results and interviews from 7-9 p.m., followed by twice per hour updates and interviews from 9 p.m. until midnight.			
3/21/2022	WTAW News	6:30 a.m.	:40	Around 6,000 Bryan voters will be getting new registration cards after Brazos County commissioners approve new voting precinct boundaries.

(12) National political updates with elected officials representing the WTAW listening area

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, and 3/23/2022	Infomaniacs	7:40 a.m.	~7:00	Interviews with Congressman Pete Sessions of Waco, who represents Brazos County.

(13) College Station city updates from elected officials

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/9, and 3/23/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~10:00	Interviews with College Station mayor Karl Mooney.
1/21/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	10:00	Interview with College Station city councilman Dennis Maloney.
2/18/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	4:15	Interview with College Station city councilman Bob Brick.
3/18/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	12:02	Interview with College Station city councilman John Nichols.

(14) Bryan city updates from elected officials

Date:	Program Name:	Time:	Duration:	Summary (news story unless otherwise stated):
1/10, 1/17, 2/2, 2/16, and 3/16/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	~10:00	Interviews with Bryan mayor Andrew Nelson.
3/2/2022	Infomaniacs	8:40 a.m.	6:20	Interview with Bryan city councilman Buppy Simank.

(15) Non-pandemic activities of United Way of the Brazos Valley

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1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, and 3/21/2022	5 p.m. News Hour	5:40 p.m.	~7:00	Interviews with staff and agency representatives for United Way of the Brazos Valley, which includes Brazos County. Topics are related to the 2021-22 community campaign and state employees charitable campaign.