

# Tyler Morning Telegraph

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026

TYLERPAPER.COM

inform.

inspire.

involve.

#inetx

\$3.00



## NATION/WORLD

### U.S. readies for possible Minnesota surge to support ICE

The U.S. is taking steps to vastly increase the number of law enforcement agents and potentially send military personnel to Minneapolis, where immigration agents have tangled with residents protesting their tactics. **Page 2A**



## SPORTS

### Brook Hill sweeps Grace Community in basketball doubleheader

Two newcomers were the game-high scorers as Brook Hill swept rival Grace Community in a TAPPS 2-5A basketball doubleheader Friday night inside the Herrington Sportscenter. **Page 5A**

## Today's weather

Times of sun and clouds.  
High of 61.



THREE-DAY FORECAST, PAGE 3A

## What's inside

Nation/World .....	2A
Weather .....	3A
Opinion .....	4A
Sports .....	5-6A
Comics .....	7A
Variety .....	8A
Classifieds .....	9A

## Bible verse

**"In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the prophets."**  
(Matthew 7:12)

## Need assistance?

### Editorial/newsroom

Managing Editor Santana Wood  
(903) 237-7749  
santana.wood@tylerpaper.com

### Circulation customer service

(903) 597-1121  
csr@tylerpaper.com

## Want to subscribe? Have delivery questions?

Call 903-597-1121  
or visit tylerpaper.com

## Corrections

It is the policy of the Tyler Morning Telegraph to correct errors. Direct requests for corrections or clarifications to Managing Editor Santana Wood at (903) 237-7749.

## Follow us on Facebook



facebook.com/  
tylerpaper



© 2026, TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH

# Ex-school aide accused of sexual assault

Former Tyler ISD employee also charged with improper relationship with student

ZAK WELLERMAN  
CBS19

A now-former East Texas school employee, who is already facing a sexual assault charge, was arrested again Friday night.

Anahi Arellano, who worked as an educational aide at Tyler ISD's Bell Elementary, was booked back

into the Smith County Jail on an improper relationship with a student charge on Friday, which is two days after she was arrested for sexual assault, arrest records show.

Arrest documents say she was caught by a Tyler police officer having sex with a 16-year-old boy in a car that was parked at a local city park Wednesday night. The boy initially identified himself as 19 years old, but after he gave his



Anahi Arellano

date of birth, he was confirmed to be 16 years old.

Arellano admitted to the officer that the two of them were having sex in the back of the vehicle, the arrest affidavit said.

That night, she was arrested and charged with sexual assault by the Tyler Police Department. She bonded out of jail on that charge.

Two days later, a Tyler ISD Police Department investigation led to her getting charged with improper relationship with a student. She was arrested Friday night and remains jailed.

In a statement released Thursday, Tyler ISD spokesperson Jennifer Hines said Arellano is no longer employed by the district.

"Due to an active investigation and confidential personnel matters, we are unable to comment further on this situation or provide additional details," Hines said. "The safety and well-being of our students is our highest priority. When the district becomes aware of allegations of this nature, we follow all required state

AIDE >> PAGE 3A



Marchers carry a banner featuring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. during the annual MLK Jr. Day March in downtown Tyler on Monday. (Jennifer Scott/Tyler Morning Telegraph)

# Marching Forward

Tyler community unites for 40th MLK Day march and program



A soloist from the Texas College Choir performs at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception during the commemorative program following the MLK Jr. Day March in Tyler on Monday. (Jennifer Scott/Tyler Morning Telegraph)

## FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tyler residents and other East Texans joined together in the Rose City on Monday morn-

ing to unite for a common purpose — commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The Tyler Together Race Relations held its 40th annual MLK Day

march, where residents met at Marvin Methodist Church on Erwin Street to march together toward the

MLK >> PAGE 3A



Bishop Gregory Kelly joins community members as they walk along South Broadway Avenue during the annual MLK Jr. Day March in downtown Tyler on Monday morning. (Jennifer Scott/Tyler Morning Telegraph)

# As arrests rise, key facts about ICE operations in Texas

COLLEEN DEGUZMAN  
The Texas Tribune

As the Trump Administration intensifies its sweeping immigration crackdown, outrage across the country is building — especially after recent shootings by Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents.

An ICE agent fatally shot Renee Nicole Good, a 37-year-old Minneapolis resident, on Jan. 7 when she attempted to drive away as

agents tried to get her out of her vehicle. Two days later during a vehicle stop in Portland, Oregon, a Border Patrol agent shot and wounded two Venezuelans. One of them, Luis David Nino-Moncada, recently pleaded not guilty of aggravated assault against a federal officer and damaging federal property.

Soon after, protests erupted across the country

ICE >> PAGE 3A



Austin Police Department officers and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents guide a van out of the J.J. Pickle Federal Building in downtown Austin on April 1. (Eddie Gaspar/The Texas Tribune)