After School Enrichment Opportunities
2019-2020

Name That Book
If books are one of your best friends and your memory is sharp, then Name That Book has your name written all over it! Travis forms two teams of seven each to compete in HISD’s Name That Book Competition. Both the K-2 and 3-5 teams read from a given list of 25-30 books to recall titles from a given quote at competition. Tryouts are held in the Fall and there are always some great stories on the lists. Contact Theresa Sims for more information at tvetrano@houstonisd.org.

University Interscholastic League (UIL)
The University Interscholastic League (UIL) is an academic competition open to all students in grades 2-5. Ready Writing, Solo Acting, Spelling, and Number Sense are just a few events to compete in. Students who are interested in participating in the UIL Season will fill out a form that will be sent home in the December for the Spring Season. The note will indicate the dates in which Travis will compete. We are limited in the number of students that can participate in each event and our hope is to provide an opportunity for all students to attend one of the two meets this year. Contact Sara Lytle for more information at slytle@houstonisd.org.

Odyssey of the Mind
OM is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Team members apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. Then, they bring their solutions to competition on the Local, State, and World Level. OM information will be out in the fall. Coaches are NEEDED! Contact Sara Lytle for more information at slytle@houstonisd.org.

Robotics
Students will have the opportunity to sign up for Robotics Clubs in the Spring. These are open to all 4th and 5th grade students with no application required. We’ll use LEGO Mindstorms EV3 kits and software to build and program in a hands-on robotics experience guided by Mrs. Flecker. Contact Samatha Flecker for more information at sflecker@houstonisd.org.

Track and Field
The Travis Track Team is a school sport for 4th and 5th graders. Tryouts are in October and practice starts in January and runs through May. Practices are held after school, usually every Monday. The team races at several local and district track meets in HISD. If there are any fall cross country meets, team members can participate in that too. Contact Sharon Dodd for more information at ssipps@houstonisd.org.

Choir
The Travis Choir is a performing group that will present several performances during the school year. Choir membership is open to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade boys and girls by audition. Choir rehearsals are held once a week after school. Choir will begin in the fall. Students interested in Choir can pick up an audition form from Rachel Wadler. Contact Rachel Wadler at rwadler@houstonisd.org.

Travel Club
The Travis Travel Club is pleased to announce its 4th Annual trip to Boston, Massachusetts during June 2020! Travel sparks curiosity, boosts confidence and give students personal connections to the lessons they’re learning in the classroom. By joining the Travel Club, 35 students in 5th grade will be able to integrate classroom learning with real life experiences which will lay the groundwork toward a global education and strengthen their skills for success. Travel Club meets during lunch monthly to team build, research Boston, and discuss trip logistics. To learn how to join the Travel Club please visit their website: www.ef exploreamerica.com/1934878nc.