



A Vanguard Magnet and Neighborhood School

William B. Travis Elementary



Travis Elementary

- Total Enrollment: 760 students
- 5 Kindergarten Classes
- 6 1st-4th Grade Classes
- 5 5th Grade Classes
- We have heterogeneous classes.
- 53% of K-5th grade students are identified gifted and talented.
- 30% of our students are on a magnet transfer.

Travis Mission:

Our mission is to empower the whole child by providing a safe and respectful academic environment that cultivates critical and creative thinking, social consciousness, and initiative in each student.



INDIVIDUALIZED



Reading Curriculum

- **HISD Curriculum** that is centered on the TEKS. Reading in small groups based on student's individual reading levels.
- **Writer's Workshop:** Writer's work through the writing process, conference, and publish personal narrative, expository, fiction, and poetry pieces.
- **Patterns of Power:** Students engage in 'Mentor Text' to understand how the author uses language and conventions.



Math Curriculum

- **HISD Curriculum** supported by Eureka.
- Students master math concepts through hands-on learning that emphasizes real-world connections and use of multiple problem-solving strategies.
- Teacher will pull them in small groups to differentiate the learning.
- Students solve problems moving from concrete to pictorial to abstract.

INNOVATIVE



Cultural Enrichment:

- ◆ WITS-Writers in the School
- ◆ DaCamera-Musical Encounters
- ◆ Integration of Fine Arts with Academics

Conscious Discipline:

- ◆ Brain Research-provide students a way to access their executive functioning
- ◆ Opportunity to teach and model with positive intent
- ◆ Community Meeting at the start of the day
- ◆ Make Connections and Unite with their peers

Innovation in the Classroom:

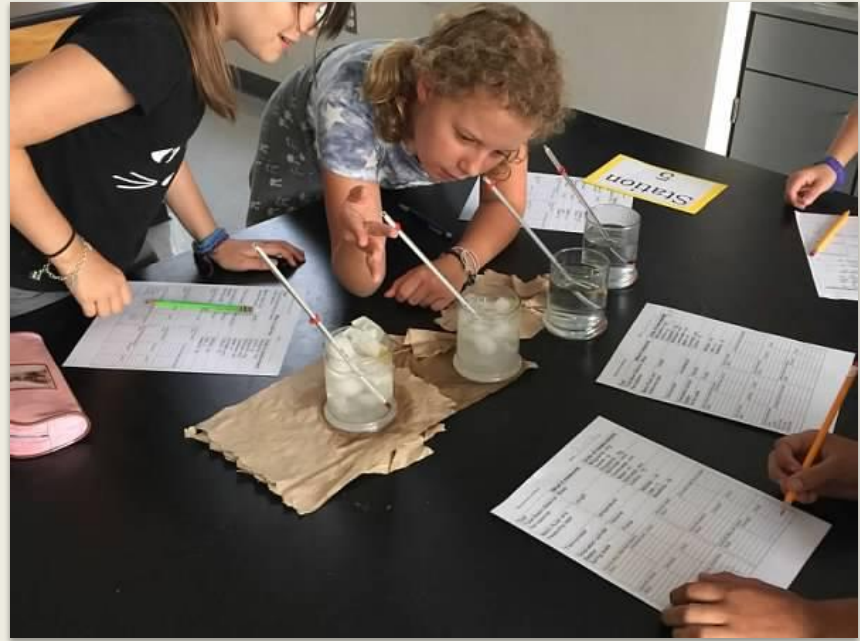
- ◆ Project Zero
- ◆ Project Based Learning
- ◆ Action Based Learning

INCLUSIVE



Enrichment

- Art
- Music
- PE
- Creative Movement
- Science Lab
- Access Computer Lab or 1 to 1 laptops in the classrooms.



Learning Beyond the Classroom

- Garden Science
- Field Studies
- Library/Author Visits
- Robotics (4th - 5th)
- University Interscholastic League
- Name That Book
- Chess Club
- Track and Field (4th and 5th)
- Art Club (4th and 5th)
- Choir (3rd, 4th, and 5th)

TRAVIS PTA & Foundation

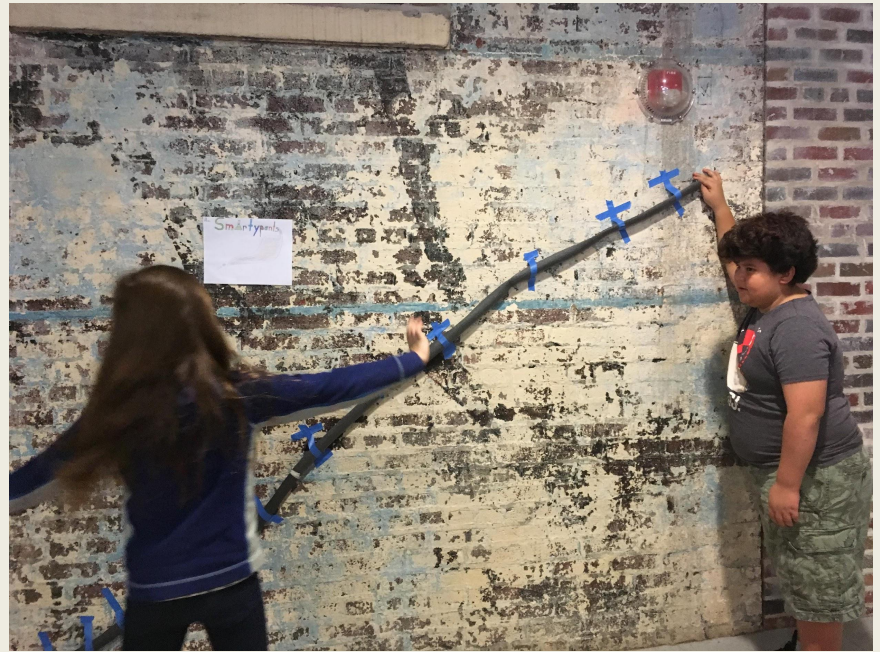


- ✓ Fun Run
- ✓ Travis Fall Carnival
- ✓ Coffee with the PTA/Principal
- ✓ High Level of Parent Involvement
- ✓ Monthly PTA events for families such as: World Cultures Night, STEM Night, and Family Movie Night, just to name a few.

- ✓ Spring Auction
- ✓ Teacher and Community Grants
- ✓ Playground Renovations
- ✓ School Program Enhancements

Vanguard Magnet

- All Teachers have 30 hours plus a 6 hour update in working with Gifted students
- Gifted Education Plan written for each student
- Depth and Complexity of Instruction
- Pacing of Instruction
- Project Based Learning
- Independent Research Projects



How to Apply:

- www.hisdchoice.com

Requirements:

GT identification is needed to be eligible for our lottery.



Top 5 Things to Remember



1. We are a Vanguard Magnet which means you have to go through Gifted and Talented evaluation and qualify in order to be eligible for our lottery.
2. We accept Vanguard applications for Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade.
3. Spaces: K-20, 1st-22, 2nd-8, 3rd-5, 4th-5
4. We are located in the Woodland Heights.
5. Check us out at <https://www.houstonisd.org/TravisElem>