

Parker Elementary School

HISD Music Magnet School

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Dear Parents,

HISD's Gifted and Talented Programs serve students who have been identified by HISD as gifted and talented in general intellectual ability. These Gifted and Talented programs offer a differentiated curriculum designed to meet the needs of gifted students by modifying the depth, complexity, and pacing of the general school program.

HISD screens kindergarten and fifth grade students who were not previously identified as gifted and talented in what is called Universal Testing. This letter is to inform you that this process begins the week of October 21, 2019. An Abilities Test and an Achievement Test are administered universally to all kindergarten and fifth grade students for Gifted and Talented (G/T) identification. The Abilities Test and the Achievement Test has been scheduled for October 21 - December 14, 2019.

The universal testing of kindergarten and fifth grade students allows identified students to receive G/T services in HISD's Gifted and Talented Programs during the Spring of their current school year. All students who are identified as gifted and talented in HISD will retain their G/T identification providing they subsequently enroll in an HISD Gifted and Talented Program upon identification and are continuously enrolled in an HISD Gifted and Talented Program thereafter.

Upon completion of the G/T identification process, parents are notified and will receive a copy of the completed G/T Identification Matrix. In the event that you are not notified, you may contact your school's Gifted and Talented Coordinator. If a student does not qualify for G/T services, parents can request a Matrix Review with the Gifted and Talented Coordinator at their enrolled/current campus and/or request that the student be tested the following school year as students may apply and be tested once per school year.

Matrix Review Procedures for G/T Identification A Matrix Review process is in place in accordance with state rule (19 TAC §89.1 (5)). If your student is not identified as G/T, the final report card for the current school year will be applied and a new score rendered. If your child then qualifies, the Gifted and Talented Coordinator will contact you and your child will receive G/T services the following school year. If you have further questions about the G/T Identification process or testing schedule, please contact the Gifted and Talented Coordinator at your campus.

Sincerely,

Carol Kehlenbrink Campus Gifted and Talented Coordinator

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Parker Elementary Picture Day Tuesday, October 22, 2019

- Individual portraits will be taken on Tuesday, October 22, 2019.
- Uniforms are NOT required on picture day.
- Please have your child at school on time. Photographers will be starting at 7:45 a.m.
- There will be **NO RETAKES.**
- Picture orders <u>must</u> be pre-paid. Pictures can also be paid for online at 1stphototexas.com(code:1920-0073)
- LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. If you do not send your money by October 22nd, you must contact 1st Photo Texas directly at 832-414-8968.
- Class group pictures will be taken in the spring.

PLEASE SEE ORDER FORM FOR COMPLETE DETAILS.

RETURN FORM BY OCTOBER 22ND

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Parker's 16th Annual Open Mic Concert Tuesday October 29, 2019 Calling all Family Members, Moms, Dads, Uncles, Aunts And Alumni (16 yrs. and older)

Hey kids, do you have a family member who plays a musical instrument? Is your uncle, aunt, mom or dad a great singer? Does grandpa like to kick out the jams? Well, tell them that they are needed to perform at this year's 16th Annual Open Mic Concert! Just think how much fun it will be to see your father or mother dust off that old trombone, guitar or Sarrusaphone and perform for all your friends at Parker Elementary. It's a great show every year, but we need you to "convince" your family members to join us. Space is limited, so return this form ASAP to the Magnet Office. Each Performer will perform one selection.

Name:	Child's Name
Relationship to child:	
Homeroom Teacher:	Cell Phone
What instrument do you play?	
What schools did you attend?	
Who did you study music with?	
Brushes with Greatness!?!	
What song (s) would you like to perform tonight?	
What is your favorite breakfast cereal?	

Please return this form to the Magnet Office by Oct.22, 2019

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4th and 5TH GRADE PARENTS

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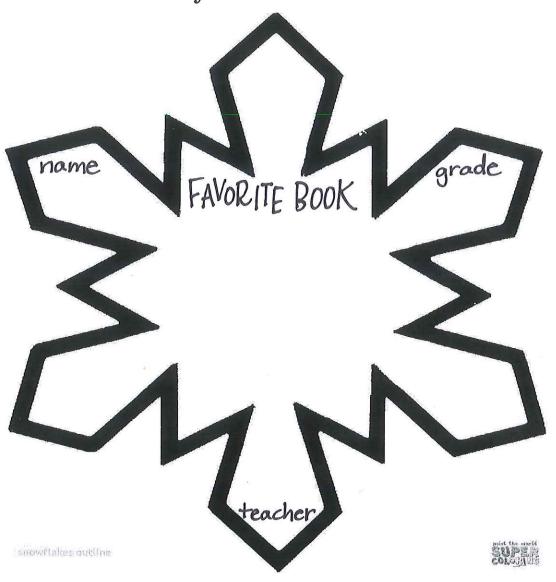


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BOOK FAIR IS COMING! HELP US GET READY FOR THE ARCTIC ADVENTURE! OCT. 28- NOV. 1

With SNOW much to read, we want to know...

What is your favorite book?



Decorate the attached snowflake and cut out. Return completed snowflakes with your name, your favorite book, grade level, and homeroom teacher to Ms. Quinn. There is a box in the library. Due by Friday, October 18.

Three students from each grade level who have turned in their snowflake will be chosen at random to receive a \$10 gift certificate to use at the book fair!

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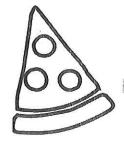
Parker Elementary School is partnering with Papa John's Houston on Wednesday, October 16th.

Use Promo Code: PJFUNDSCHOOL (20% of sales will go back to the youth group)

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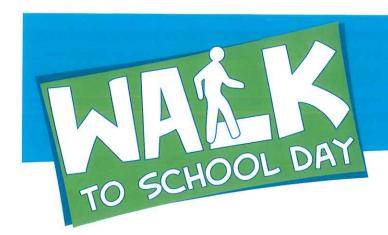
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October 16, 2019

Parker Elementary is participating in Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Join children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bicycling.

About our event:

Students who walk or bike to school on Wednesday, 10/16 will get a sticker.

Our Walk to School event promotes

- 1) Physical activity
- 2) Teaching safe pedestrian and bicycling skills to children
- 3) Reducing traffic congestion, pollution and speeds near schools
- 4) Awareness of how walkable and bikeable a community is and where improvements can be made
- 5) Concern for environment
- 6) Sharing time with parents, children, and community leaders

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Walk to School Day is coordinated in the U.S.A. b the National Center for Safe Routes to School.



