



The Houston Independent School District and Parker Elementary will kick off its second year of Parent University

**WHEN:** Tuesday, September 17, 2019

**TIME:** 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**WHOSE INVITED:** Parents of Parker Elementary (daycare service & dinner will be provided for Parker students)

**PURPOSE:** Choice sessions will be offered to connect parents and children to resources offered by Parker Elementary and the district, to create successful academic careers as well as safe and healthy environments at home and at school. We will showcase instructional strategies and activities to work at home with students, and provide information on special programs and community outreach services.

**Please come out and learn all that Parker Elementary and HISD has to offer!!**



# Parker Elementary School

HISD Music Magnet School

10626 Atwell Dr.  
Houston, TX 77096  
Tel: 713-726-3634  
Fax: 713-726-3660  
Magnet Tel: 713-726-2122



- September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Magnet Open House 6:00-7:00pm (All Piano, Strings, Guitar, Band, Singers and Beg. Chorus.  
PTO meeting at 7:00pm
- September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 -3-5<sup>th</sup> Open House 6:00-7:00pm  
Advanced Chorus 7:00-7:30
- October 1, 2019 -PK-2 Open House 6:00-7:00pm.

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- Septiembre 19, 2019 Apertura del Año Escolar (Open House) del Programa Magnet 6:00-7:00pm (Piano, Cuerdas, Guitarra, Banda, Vocalistas (*Singers*) y el Coro Principiante.  
Junta de PTO, 7:00pm
- Septiembre 26, 2019 - (*Open House*) 3<sup>o</sup>-5<sup>o</sup> Grado 6:00-7:00pm  
Coro Avanzado 7:00-7:30
- Octubre 1, 2019 -PK-2o. Grado (*Open House*) 6:00-7:00pm.

*C. D. Ortiz*

# GIFTED AND TALENTED PARENT INFO SESSIONS

## TOPICS:

- WHAT IS THE GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM?
- HOW DO STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR THE GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM?
- WHAT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE
- FAQs

## WHEN

**September 16, 2019**  
**5:30pm-6:30pm**

## WHERE

**Hattie Mae White ESC**

4400 West 18th St. Houston, TX 77092-8501

## RSVP

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QBNWV7N>

**ALL HISD  
PARENTS  
INVITED**

## ADDITIONAL SESSION DATES:

**October 14, 2019**

Hattie Mae White ESC  
4400 West 18th St  
Houston, TX 77092-8501

**November 13, 2019**

Hattie Mae White ESC  
4400 West 18th St.  
Houston, TX 77092-8501

## FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT

Gifted and Talented  
Department

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Dear Parents,

*We regret to inform you that Houston ISD will no longer offer the flu vaccine clinics this school year, as our flu shot provider, Healthy Schools, has discontinued the program.*

*Unfortunately, low turnout across the country in previous years, and lower than expected parent consents for this year's upcoming flu clinics, has made the program unsustainable. The growing cost of running flu vaccine clinics has made it impossible for Healthy Schools to continue the program in Texas this year, and in the future.*

*We recommend that parents reach out to their local health department or child's pediatrician to inquire about an alternative cost-free flu vaccine or visit the CDC flu shot finder website to locate local flu vaccine providers. Our mobile clinic partners such as Texas Children's Hospital Mobile and Harris Health Troubleshooters along with our School Based Clinic partners are also available to provide free flu and other vaccines to eligible students.*

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Estimados padres:

Lamentamos informarles que Houston ISD dejará de ofrecer la vacuna contra la gripe este año debido a que nuestro proveedor, *Healthy Schools*, ha cancelado el programa.

Desafortunadamente, el número de personas interesadas en los últimos años ha sido bajo en todo el país. Además, el número de cartas de autorización de los padres para la vacunación ha sido inferior al previsto para este año y por lo tanto el programa se ha vuelto insostenible. Por otra parte, el creciente costo de estas campañas de vacunación contra la gripe impide que *Healthy Schools* continúe ofreciendo el programa en Texas este año y en el futuro.

Recomendamos a los padres que se comuniquen con el departamento de salud pública o con el consultorio del pediatra de su hijo para informarse de opciones gratuitas de vacunación contra la gripe. Otra posibilidad es visitar el sitio web de CDC para buscar proveedores de la vacuna de la gripe de su localidad. Nuestros socios de la salud con clínicas móviles, como *Texas Children's Hospital Mobile* y *Harris Health Troubleshooters*, junto con los proveedores asociados de clínicas escolares, también pueden administrar la vacuna contra la gripe y otras de forma gratuita a estudiantes que reúnan las condiciones.

Sincerely/Sinceremente,

M. Sonia Garcia, BSN, RN, CPHQ

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**TENTATIVE CALENDAR FOR  
1ST SEMESTER  
SEPTEMBER /DECEMBER 2019**

| <b>September</b> |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|
| 2                | Labor Day Holiday - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>                       |  |
| 9                | ASC Enrichment Clubs begins                                |  |
|                  | Strings Rehearsal in Auditorium @ 2:15 pm                  |  |
| 10               | Spirit Night @ El Polo Loco on S. Rice 10:30 am - 10:00 pm |  |
| 11               | Strings Magnet Matinee in Auditorium @ 2:15 pm             |  |
| 12               | Homeroom Parent Meeting @ 7:45 am                          |  |
| 17               | Parent University @ 6:00-7:30 pm                           |  |
| 18               | Spirit Night @ Papa John's on Hillcroft - all day          |  |
| 19               | Magnet Open House @ 6:00 pm                                |  |
|                  | PTO Meeting @ 7:00 pm                                      |  |
| 23               | Spirit Night @ Chick-fil-a in Meyerland 5:00 - 8:00 pm     |  |
| 26               | Open House 3rd-5th grades <b>ONLY</b> @ 6:00 pm            |  |
| 27               | <b>EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30 am</b>                            |  |
| 28               | School Choice @ Sterling HS 9:00-12:00                     |  |
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| <b>October</b>   |  |  |
| 1                | Open House PK-2nd grades <b>ONLY</b> @ 6:00 pm             |  |
| 3                | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am                                      |  |
| 8                | 5th grade Spelling Bee in Auditorium @ 7:45 am             |  |
| 9                | Fall Holiday - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>                            |  |
| 10               | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am                                      |  |
| 11               | PTO Free Dress Day   |  |
|                  | 4th grade Spelling Bee in Auditorium @ 7:45 am             |  |
|                  | 3rd grade Spelling Bee in Auditorium @ 12:15 pm            |  |
| 16               | Spirit Night @ Papa John's Pizza on Hillcroft - all day    |  |
|                  | Kinder Field Trip@ Main Street Theater 8:30-12:30          |  |
| 17               | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am                                      |  |
|                  | Strings Magnet Matinee @ 2:50 pm                           |  |
| 18               | <b>EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30 am</b>                            |  |
|                  | Pre-K Career Day   |  |
| 20               | School Choice @ Washington HS 9:00-12:00                   |  |
| 22               | Picture Day  |  |
|                  | PTO Meeting @ 6:00 pm                                      |  |
| 24               | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am                                      |  |
| 25               | Pre-K Field Trip to Old MacDonald's Farm 10:00 am          |  |
| 10/28-11/1       | Book Fair  |  |
| 29               | Family Night and Open Mic @ 5:00 pm                        |  |
| 30               | Strings Hauntcert in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm                  |  |
| 31               | Strings Hauntcert in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm                  |  |
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1ST SEMESTER  
SEPTEMBER /DECEMBER 2019**

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|-----------------|---|--|
| <b>November</b> |   |  |
| 2               | Strings Play-a-thon in Cafeteria 8:00-12:00                   |  |
| 5               | Voting in Auditorium all day                                  |  |
| 7               | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am   |  |
|                 | Fall Piano Concert @ 1:30 pm                                  |  |
| 8               | PTO Free Dress Day  |  |
|                 | <b>EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30 am</b>                               |  |
| 9               | Piano Festival @ Meyerland MS                                 |  |
| 10              | School Choice @ Westbury HS 9:00-12:00                        |  |
| 12              | String Parent Ed Class in room 251 @ 7:45-8:30 am             |  |
| 14              | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am   |  |
| 15              | PTO Auction   |  |
| 18              | 4th Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 19              | 5th Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 20              | Spirit Night @ Papa John's Pizza on Hillcroft - all day       |  |
| 21              | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am and 1:00 pm                             |  |
|                 | 4th Grade Field Trip to George Ranch 8:30-2:30                |  |
|                 | 5th Grade Field Trip to Food Bank 8:15-12:30                  |  |
| 22              | Field Day   |  |
| 25-29           | Thanksgiving Holiday - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>                       |  |
|                 |   |  |
| <b>December</b> |   |  |
| 1               | School Choice @ Milby HS 9:00-12:00                           |  |
| 2               | 4th Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 3               | 5th Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
|                 | School Spelling Bee in Auditorium @ 7:45 am                   |  |
| 5               | Magnet Tour @ 9:00 am and 1:00 pm                             |  |
|                 | Beginning and Advance Chorus Concert @ 1:30 and 6:30 pm       |  |
| 6               | 2nd Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 10              | Strings Concert @ 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm                           |  |
|                 | 1st Grade Piano Recital in room 204 @ 12:40 pm                |  |
| 11              | 1st Grade Piano Recital in room 204 @ 12:40 pm                |  |
|                 | 3rd Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 12              | Guitar/Piano Concert in Auditorium @ 1:30 and 6:30 pm         |  |
|                 | 2nd Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 17              | Beginning and Advance Bands Concert @ 1:30 & 6:30 pm          |  |
| 18              | Spirit Night @ Papa John's Pizza on Hillcroft - all day       |  |
|                 | Rotary Christmas Program - Advanced Chorus leaving @ 10:30 am |  |
|                 | 3rd Grade Piano Recital in Auditorium @ 2:50 pm               |  |
| 19              | PJ Day  |  |
| 12/20-1/3       | Winter Break - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>                               |  |
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| <b>January</b>  |   |  |
| 6               | Back to School  |  |
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# Toy Instrument Donations Needed!

Parker has an Art Car.

We need old toy instruments for decorating.

Please leave donated toy instruments, cassettes, CDs, records, or any musical accessories in the donation box by the front lobby.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. D.  
at [jdickin1@houstonisd.org](mailto:jdickin1@houstonisd.org)

THANK YOU



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# Parent Volunteers Needed

To help install a mosaic tile bench at  
the school's entrance

If you're interested in learning how to  
install ceramic tiles

Or you just want to help the school

Please email Ms. D. at [jdickin1@houstonisd.org](mailto:jdickin1@houstonisd.org)

Let me know which evenings you're available



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## Spelling Bee Information!

Dear Parents,

The Spelling Bee is quickly approaching! Each classroom (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade) will hold their own classroom spelling bee sometime before the grade level bees. The winners from those bees will participate in a grade level bee. From there, we take the winner and runner up from each grade level to compete in the Parker Spelling Bee. The spelling bee is a great way to challenge your child through processing spelling in a different way and enhancing their reading skills. The spelling bee is optional, but we strongly encourage your child to participate. The spelling bee list will be posted by your child's homeroom teacher. I've included all important dates below. Feel free to email me with any questions!

Ms. Grosso

[hgrosso@houstonisd.org](mailto:hgrosso@houstonisd.org)

|                         | Date and Time                                | Location             |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Classroom Spelling Bees | Scheduled by homeroom teacher                | Teacher's classrooms |
| Third Grade Bee         | Friday, October 11 <sup>th</sup><br>12:20 pm | Auditorium           |
| Fourth Grade Bee        | Friday, October 11 <sup>th</sup><br>7:45 am  | Auditorium           |
| Fifth Grade Bee         | Tuesday, October 8 <sup>th</sup><br>7:45 am  | Auditorium           |
| School Spelling Bee     | Tuesday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>8:00 am | Auditorium           |

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# Violin Class for Parents

7:45-8:15 am Fridays, starting 9/13

Rm. 255 (Ms. Hakel's Room)

Your child is learning to play. Why don't you learn too?

All Parker parents are invited to learn the basics of violin or cello technique, as well as basic music reading. We'll also discuss strategies for keeping practice fun and productive for your kids at home.

Bring in that violin that's been sitting in a closet for years waiting to be played, rent a violin for yourself, or play your child's violin. (Sure, it's too small for you, but you can still learn enough playing on it to help your child.) Ask Ms. Hakel or your child's teacher for help finding a good quality rental.

Questions? [thakel@houstonisd.org](mailto:thakel@houstonisd.org)