



# BACK TO SCHOOL BONANZA

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

JULY 8 - AUGUST 8

The HISD Community Partnerships Department is partnering with the community to support the Back-to-School Bonanza Project. This collaborative effort will provide much-needed school supplies to students throughout the district.

## THE NEED

The ongoing need for school supplies and other basic needs for families makes initiatives like Back to School Bonanza vital to helping students achieve academic success. Research shows that school supply costs have increased exponentially. Parents are spending more than \$200 on elementary, \$300 for a middle school student, and \$375 for a high school student. *National Education Association*

## GET ON BOARD

Here's how you can reduce the cost of supplies for HISD families:

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### ORGANIZE AND HOST A SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

collecting school supplies. Please complete the [Host a School Drive Form](#). We have provided a School Supply List per grade level.



HOST A DRIVE

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### DROP OFF YOUR COLLECTED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Hattie Mae White Educational Center, 4400 W. 18th Street, Houston, Texas 77092  
Monday-Friday | 8 AM to 5 PM | July 8th-August 8th.

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### MAKE A FINANCIAL DONATION

and your contribution will be used to purchase the supplies at a cost-savings. Donate to [Houston ISD Foundation](#) | [Kindful](#) or use the QR code



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## HOW TO HOST A SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

A school supply drive is an easy way to have a profound impact on students and their learning experience. With the proper tools at their fingertips, students find the confidence to return to school day in and day out for an equitable learning experience. Research shows that students having their own school supplies improves grades, creativity, and attitudes about learning. *Donors Choose*

## STARTING YOUR DRIVE

Hosting a school supply drive requires time and energy to mobilize your community's efforts. Below are a few things to consider getting started.

### Type of Drive:

- Collect supplies only
- Collect supplies and financial support
- Collect financial support only for designated supplies.

Donations may be made online at [Houston ISD Foundation](#) | [Kindful](#)

### Method of Collection:

- One-day event
- Designated timeframe of collection (week/weekend/month)

### Collection Process:

- Your school supply drive donations are brought to Hattie Mae White Educational Center (4400 W. 18th Street, Houston, Texas 77092) Monday-Friday 8 am- 5pm.
- Schedule a stop on the "Stuff the Bus" Tour. (Based on bus's availability)
- A box collection at your location where items can be dropped off at a designated campus or the Hattie Mae White Educational Center
- Schedule a drop off or a stop on the Stuff the Bus Tour contact **Community Partnerships Department** at [partner@houstonisd.org](mailto:partner@houstonisd.org) or call 713-556-7208.



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## TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

By hosting a school supply drive, you are getting on board to making a difference for students.

### How do you want to Collect Supplies?

- Complete the [Host a School Drive Form](#).
- Two popular options include:
  1. A designated day, week, or campaign with boxes or containers at your location
  2. Schedule a "Stuff the Bus Tour" stop. HISD bus picks up collected items following your community, corporate, or sporting event. (based on availability during August 1st-August 8th pick up schedule).

### Who will you Invite to Participate?

- Encourage members of your community to help promote and support your school supply drive. Create signs and posters to promote your drive
- Share details about your event on your social media spaces using the hashtag **#HISDStuffTheBus**.
- The Back-to-School Bonanza Tool kit also includes flyers to distribute and post on your organization's website, company staff portal, Instagram, and Twitter platforms

### Collect what Students need most.

- According to teachers, crayons, glue sticks, markers, notebooks, pencils and pens, and loose-leaf paper are what students need the most (Please avoid any used school supplies or items that have offensive words, artwork, or symbols on the package or surface)
- [Download School Supply List](#)

### Try a Friendly Competition!

- Create competitions among businesses, departments, and individuals to see who can collect the most supplies

### Deliver your Collected Supplies

- Contact the Community Partnerships Department to schedule a "Stuff the Bus Tour" stop or to assist with campus selection at [partner@houstonisd.org](mailto:partner@houstonisd.org) or call 713-556-7208.