

# HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

## HISD Foundation hosting State of the Schools address

**WHAT:** The Houston Independent School District Foundation's annual State of the Schools will take place in-person this year and focus on the road ahead for the district with a new superintendent at the helm.

Superintendent Millard House II will deliver the State of the Schools address during which he will discuss the recently unveiled five-year strategic plan for HISD. The plan calls for establishing and managing centralized budgets for libraries, nursing staff, fine arts, athletics, and academic extra-curricular activities to ensure equitable opportunities and resources at every school. The plan also calls for across the board pay raises for all employees as well as additional incentives for teachers.

Funds raised by the foundation support projects and programs that fall outside the district's operating budget in the areas of college and career readiness, comprehensive supports for students and their families, innovation, and equity. Proceeds go directly to the Houston ISD Foundation, a nonprofit organization.

Each year, the State of the Schools event highlights the importance of community investment in public education and focuses on the social and economic impact that occurs locally and globally when public school students have access to a quality education.

To register for and/or sponsor the event, visit this [link](#).


**Media is invited to attend the State of Schools address and must RSVP by 5 p.m. Thursday, March 3 to [PressOffice@houstonisd.org](mailto:PressOffice@houstonisd.org).**


**WHO:** HISD Superintendent **Millard House II**, HISD Board of Education trustees, Houston ISD Foundation Executive Director **Katherine Smith**, Emcee **Casey Curry**


**WHEN:** Friday, March 11  
11:40 a.m. – 1 p.m.


**WHERE:** Marriott Marquis Houston  
1777 Walker St., 77010

The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth-largest in the United States, with 276 schools and nearly 197,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.

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