New HISD police chief to be sworn in during official ceremony

WHAT: Newly named Houston ISD Police Department Chief Pedro Lopez, Jr. will be officially sworn in during a ceremony at district headquarters Tuesday, May 26.

Lopez comes to HISD from the Houston Police Department where he served for 29 years, starting as a patrol officer and rising to the rank of assistant chief of Patrol Region 1.

Houston Police Department Chief Art Acevedo and HISD Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan will make remarks.

Lopez’s wife will take part in the ceremonial badge-pinning portion of the event. Houston Municipal Courts Director and Presiding Judge J. Elaine Marshall will administer the oath of office.

Attendees will be required to wear masks and practice safe social distancing.

Media: Only pool coverage will be permitted in order to adhere to social distancing requirements. Media must RSVP to the HISD Press Office at: pressoffice@houstonisd.org.

WHO: Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan, HISD PD Chief of Police Pedro Lopez, Jr., HPD Chief Art Acevedo

WHEN: Tuesday, May 26
1 – 2 p.m.

WHERE: Hattie Mae White Educational Support Center
Board Auditorium
4400 W. 18th St., 77092

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