** HISD Homeless Education Office to host Back-to-School Extravaganza**

**What:**The Houston Independent School District Homeless Education Office will provide free backpacks, school supplies, shoes, and health screenings to hundreds of low income families during the fifth annual Back-to-School Extravaganza on Friday. Students do not have to be homeless to attend the event.

                            The Back-to-School Extravaganza was created to help economically disadvantaged students and their families prepare for the new school year by providing them with easy access to community resources and health services, including free health screenings and immunizations. Students must bring their shot records to get free immunizations. The Houston Food Bank also will be on hand to distribute fresh produce to families.

                            The HISD Homeless Education Office is a grant-funded program that currently serves approximately 6,000 homeless students throughout the district.

**Who:**HISD Homeless Education Office representatives, HISD students, numerous community partners, such as the Houston Food Bank, Samaritan’s Feet, and The Care Van.

**When:                  Friday, August 19, 2016, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Where:** Bethel’s Empowerment Center, 12660 Sandpiper Dr., Houston 77035