

**HISD to close at noon Friday in anticipation of Hurricane Harvey**

*August 25, 2017* – Since Hurricane Harvey is moving faster than anticipated, all non-essential employees at school campuses and central office will be dismissed by **noon** today.

Essential employees, including facility and transportation staff, will be released at a time determined by their department.

All HISD campus-based activities and district events – including professional development and recruiting sessions – taking place after noon have also been canceled for today due to the threat of Hurricane Harvey. The HISD Athletic Department is canceling all athletic activities for today and tomorrow, including practices, scrimmages and any scheduled games.

As a reminder, all HISD campuses and administrative offices will be closed on Monday, Aug. 28 and all campus and district activities canceled due to the threat of Hurricane Harvey. Classes are scheduled to resume on Tuesday, Aug. 29. However, the district will continue to monitor developing weather conditions and will determine whether classes can safely resume on Tuesday. The district will make that decision by noon on Sunday, Aug. 27.

For continuing updates, please monitor [**www.HoustonISD.org**](http://www.HoustonISD.org) or call the HISD Inclement Weather Hotline at 713-556-9595. We also encourage HISD staff and parents to sign up for text alerts to receive the most up-to-date information on school closures or delays by texting YES to 68453. You can also follow the district on Twitter and Facebook: [**Twitter.com/HoustonISD**](http://Twitter.com/HoustonISD) and [**Facebook.com/HoustonISD**](http://Facebook.com/HoustonISD).