

**HISD to hold first official Parent University session**

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| **What:** | The Houston Independent School District’s new Parent University kicks off on Thursday, Oct. 18. This new initiative, which launched with informal events at all campuses on Sept. 27, will connect parents and children to resources offered by HISD to support successful academic careers as well as safe and healthy environments at home and at school.  ***Media is invited to attend all Parent University events.***  A variety of district and community program representatives and experts will be available for parents to connect with individually.  “Parent University is a way to empower parents,” Interim Superintendent Dr. Grenita Lathan said. “It’s an opportunity for us to get out into the community to build relationships with parents and provide them with the resources they need to help their children be successful throughout their educational careers.”  ***Parent University dates, times and locations:***   * Oct. 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. – Fonville MS, Austin HS, Westbury HS, Sterling HS, North Forest HS * Nov. 15, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.  – Washington HS, Milby HS, Pin Oak MS, Wisdom HS, Yates HS   More sessions will be scheduled during the Spring 2019 semester.  Free dinner, interpretation services and child care will be provided. Parents can look up locations and register to attend workshops at [HoustonISD.org/ParentUniversity](http://HoustonISD.org/ParentUniversity). |
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| **Who:** | Interim Superintendent **Grenita Lathan**, HISD administrators, community partners, parents and students |
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| **When:** | Thursday, Oct. 18; 5:30 p.m.; Fonville MS, Austin HS, Westbury HS, Sterling HS, North Forest HS |