



# Pawprints

The Lyons Elementary Newsletter  
May 1, 2025

## Greetings Lyons Families,

Testing is done but school is not. Students still need to be in attendance and to come to school on time. We have a lot of exciting things happening next month. Some of the things hinge on attendance and tardies. Please help your child get to school on time everyday so that they will not miss out on any of the activities. End of the year awards will be held at the end of May, dates and times to be announced later.

Thank you for your continued support!

Kind Regards,

Principal Nekia L. Petry



*Paw Message from Mrs. Petry*

*"You have to work hard in the dark  
to shine in the light!"*



## E.A. "Squatty" Lyons Elementary School

800 Roxella Street  
Houston, TX 77076  
(713) 696-2870

<https://www.houstonisd.org/lyonses>

### School Hours

Monday- Friday

7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

**Instruction begins at 7:30 A.M.**

**Tardy Slips begin at 7:40 A.M.**

**Dismissal begins at 3:00 P.M.**

### Office Hours

Monday – Friday

7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

### Social Media

Follow us on Facebook:

Lyons Elementary School-HISD

Follow us on Twitter:

@LyonsElementary

### Important Dates for the Week:

**Thursday, May 1:**

- Cinco de Mayo Festival 3:30-5:00

**Friday, May 2:**

- **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**Thursday, May 8:**

- Kinder Field Lesson –  
Houston Zoo 8:30-2:00

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**FRIDAY, MAY 2**

**STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY, MAY 5**

**MAY 5-9**

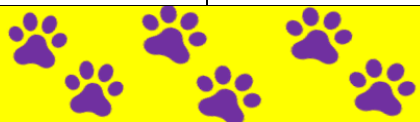
**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

# May 2025



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Cinco de Moys Festival 3:30-5:00	2 <b>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>	3
5 STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL	6	7	8 Kinder Field Lesson – Houston Zoo	9 1st GD Field Lesson – chuck E Cheese	10 PreK Enrollment Main Office 8-11 a.m. ~~~ (Mother's Day Sunday, May 12) →
12	13	14	15	16 SLL Field Lesson NASA	17
19	20	21	22 PK Field Lesson NASA	23	24
26 <b>NO SCHOOL MEMORIAL DAY</b>	27 STUDENTS RETURN ~~~ Field Lesson 3rd_4th-5th Incredible Pizza	28 Kinder Field Lesson – Amc Movie ~~~ Gt Field Lesson Main Event	29 2d Gd Field Lesson – Incredible Pizza	30 PK Field Lesson – Chuck E Cheese	31

# June 2025



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS ~~~ REPORT CARD DAY	5	6	7

## BE HERE EVERY DAY – ALL DAY!

## LYONS NEWS

Pawprints is a weekly newsletter that contains school information, news, and upcoming events. It is available online every Thursday.

<http://www.houstonisd.org/LyonsES>

If you do not have a computer or internet access, there will be some newsletters available in print at our Parent Corner outside the office.



# NO SCHOOL TOMORROW

## FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2025

*STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025*

*Professional Development Day*



**PLEASE  
COME JOIN US FOR OUR  
ANNUAL CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL**

## CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL:



Cinco de Mayo is right around the corner. Lyons will hold its annual Cinco de Mayo Festival **TOMORROW**, Thursday, May 1, 2025 from 3:30-5:00. Kindergarten is accepting cake donations for their Cake Walk – must be store bought (please bring on day of festival). Fifth grade is accepting donations of 2 liter sodas for their Soda Ring Toss. Parents can check with their teachers to see if assistance is needed – remember all volunteers must be approved VIPS. Please below for list of booths:

GRADE	BOOTH	COST
<b>Pre-K</b>	Water Balloon Ice Cream Sales	Balloons 2 for \$1 Ice Cream \$2@
<b>Kinder</b>	Cake Walk	\$2
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Loteria Mother's Day Flowers	Loteria \$1 Flowers \$6
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Tattoos Hair Spray (Colors)	Tattoos \$1 @ Hair Spray \$2 @
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Pinata Raffle Mexican Candy Bags	Raffle 2 for \$5 Candy \$2 @
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Skee Ball Painting with a Twist	Skee Ball \$3 Painting \$5
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Soda Ring Toss	\$1
<b>Ex. Ed.</b>	Lollipop Tree Photobooth (instax)	\$1 \$3
<b>Ancillary</b>	Basket Ball Hoops Cornhole Game	3 tries for \$1
<b>Office</b>	Food	25¢ - \$3.50

## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:



Next Week, May 5 – 9, is Teacher Appreciation Week. Lyons is very fortunate to have wonderful and dedicated teachers on our staff. They work very hard to give your children the very best education. Please remember to tell them “Thank You” next week.

*Lyons Elementary School  
Loves Our Teachers!!*

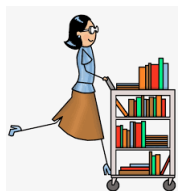
## PREK ENROLLMENT EVENT - SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025

Parents that have applied for the 2025-2026 PreK Program at Lyons Elementary through School Choice online <https://choosehisd.my.site.com>, may come in person to bring enrollment documents for their children. The event will take place on Saturday, May 10, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in our Main Office. Parent must be present to enroll – **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Documents required:

- ✓ Birth Certificate, Hospital Birth Facts or Baptismal Certificate of Child
- ✓ Shot Records (Must be up to date)
- ✓ Parent Picture ID or Passport
- ✓ Proof of Address (light, gas, water bill and/or lease agreement with receipts)
- ✓ Social Security(optional)
- ✓ Proof of Income (most recent pay stub, SNAP/TANF Benefits, if self-employed income tax 2024)

If you have any questions or concerns, you may email [gracine@houstonisd.org](mailto:gracine@houstonisd.org) or call the school at 713 696-2870. Parents that have not applied may contact the school for assistance. Enrollment date for all other grade levels will be announced at a later date.

## FROM MRS. PEÑA, SCHOOL LIBRARIAN:



The tickets are in; during the 2024/2025 school year, 486 students have earned a free Schlitterbahn pass through our partnership with Schlitterbahn Galveston. Each year Lyons Library partners with Schlitterbahn to support a love of reading. Students who read 10 hours during the Waves of Pages reading period, between December and February, will receive their pass certificates on Thursday, May 1. Wishing you a fun and free day at this popular water park in Galveston this summer. Thank you for demonstrating that Lyons is a community of readers. If you have questions, please contact our Librarian, Carrie Pena.

Lyons Library circulation privileges ended May 16 for the 2024/2025 school year. Students will not be able to check out campus library books after May 16. Campus circulation will resume during the 2025/2026 school year. Please watch for overdue slips and help your student return overdue library books promptly. Notices will start going home next week. Any student who does not return books will have to pay for the lost books. Please help your child find any overdue books as these are important resources for our entire learning community. Thank you for your support

## COMMUNICATION:



Update your  
contact info!

Have you changed your phone number recently? Did you remember to update your phone number with Lyons? We depend on working numbers to be able to contact parents/guardians in case of an emergency, checking on students who are absent, etc. Please remember to contact Lyons and update your phone numbers and email addresses. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## KINDER CAP & GOWN PICTURES:



Pre-K and Kindergarten cap and gown pictures will be taken on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 6-7, 2025. Caps and gowns will be provided. Please secure hair for graduation cap to fit. Cost is \$20 for one 8X10, 2 5X7's, and four wallet size pictures. Order forms were sent home last week.

**CASH ONLY PLEASE!**

**\*\*ONLY** individual pictures will be taken – no groups. Order form, with payment attached, are due back to the classroom teacher by Monday, May 5, 2025.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:



May 1 Cinco de Mayo Festival 3:30 – 5:30

**May 2 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY, MAY 5**

May 5 Kinder Field Lesson – Houston Zoo 8:30-2:00



**May 5-9 Last Week for Clubs**

**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**



May 6-7 Kinder Cap & Gown Pictures (order form & payment due May 5)

May 8 Kinder Field Lesson – Houston Zoo 8:30-2:00

May 9 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Lesson – Chuck E Cheese 10:30-2:00



**May 10 PK Enrollment Event – Main Office 8-11 a.m.**



**May 11 Mothers' Day**

May 16 SLL Field Lesson – NASA 8:45-2:00

May 22 Pre-K Field Lesson – NASA 8:30-2:00



**May 26 NO SCHOOL – MEMORIAL DAY**

May 27 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Lesson – Incredible Pizza 9:30-2:00

May 28 GT Field Lesson – Main Event 8:30-2:00

Kinder Field Lesson to AMC Movie Theater 9:30-2:00



May 29 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Lesson – Incredible Pizza 9:00 – 2:00

Pre-K Field Lesson – Chuck E Cheese 10:30-2:00



**JUNE 4 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS – REPORT CARD DAY**

**June 15 Father's Day**

Approved

*Nekia L. Petry*


Nekia L Petry, Principal

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## **MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION**



Booker T. Washington  
High School

**MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

4204 Yale St,  
Houston, TX 77018


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**Distribution Dates 2025**  
**9am - Noon:**

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April 25th  
May 16th  
May 30th

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**Distribution Dates 2025:**

[Redacted]

April 25th (9am - 12pm)  
May 9th (9am - 12pm)  
May 23rd (9am - 12pm)

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PLEASE ENTER  
THROUGH HARDY

WALK-INS WELCOME



**PLEASE**

**BE RESPECTFUL OF OUR  
NEIGHBORS.**

**DO NOT PARK IN OR BLOCK DRIVEWAYS!!**  
*Residents have the right to have police resolve the issue.*