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Bellaire HS to celebrate start of construction on new school

WHAT: Bellaire High School is hosting a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the

start of construction on their new school. The \$141 million building — being rebuilt under the 2012 Bond Program — will feature a three-story academic

wing, multiple flexible learning areas for group collaboration, two gymnasiums, a large dining commons, a natatorium, and an exterior courtyard. It also will feature a fine arts wing that will contain a 900-seat auditorium and black box theater, along with band, guitar, dance, and choir

rooms. Construction is slated for completion in 2022.

WHO: Bellaire Principal Michael McDonough; HISD Board of Education Trustee Sue

Deigaard; HISD Interim Superintendent **Grenita Lathan;** City of Bellaire Mayor **Andrew Friedberg;** Bellaire seniors **Ruth Beauburn** and **Abhaya Chopra;** the Bellaire JROTC; cheerleaders; choir; as well as community members, students,

parents, and staff

WHEN: Tuesday, March 26

9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Bellaire High School, 5100 Maple St., 77401

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