

HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

HISD promoting awareness during National Bullying Prevention Month

Interim Superintendent to reinforce message on 'No One Eats Alone Day'

WHAT: Throughout October, the Houston Independent School District is recognizing National Bullying Prevention Month at several events aimed at encouraging participation in a campaign to keep all youth safe.

Bullying Prevention Month focuses on raising awareness and bringing attention to the role everyone can play in our schools and among staff and students to decrease incidents of bullying.

In the district, the week of October 14-18 has been designated HISD Bully Prevention Week in conjunction with the Sandy Hook Promise "Start with Hello" campaign to bring attention to a growing epidemic of social isolation.

HISD campuses will participate in Bully Prevention Week by observing the following:

Monday, Oct. 14: Wear Orange & Say Hey Day

Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange to unite against bullying. Students and staff will wear name tags throughout the day and address each other with "Hello (name of person)."

Tuesday, Oct. 15: Random Acts of Kindness Day

Students and staff are encouraged to start a random act of kindness movement by doing kind acts "just because."

Wednesday, Oct 16: Make Hello Global Day

Students and staff are encouraged to say hello and/or teach someone to say hello in a different language.

Thursday, Oct. 17: Positivity Selfie Wall Day

Campuses will display a school-wide positivity, kindness, or smile wall where students can post positive messages, compliments, and notes of encouragement.

Friday, Oct. 18: No One Eats Alone Day

During lunch, students across the district will use “ice breaker” cards to start conversations at the lunch table. Students will be encouraged to invite other students to sit with them and participate to ensure no one eats alone.

HISD Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan will participate in “No One Eats Alone Day” during lunch at Lanier Middle School at noon.

For more information, click [here](#).

Media interested in covering must RSVP to PressOffice@houstonisd.org or 713-556-6393.

WHO: HISD Board of Education Trustees, Interim Superintendent **Grenita Lathan**, Lanier Middle School Principal **Dave Wheat**, HISD students, parents and staff.

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WHERE: Districtwide

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