

HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

River Oaks ES to hold annual cancer fundraiser, celebrate life of student

WHAT: River Oaks Elementary School students will kick off their annual Pennies for Patients fundraising campaign Monday at an event that will also celebrate the life of a student who lost his battle with cancer last year.

Houston Independent School District Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan will join children at the school for a program presented by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society that will share examples of how the students' fundraising efforts impact patients and their families and support cancer research.

Students will also be joined by River Oaks ES parents Laura and Tony Nabbout, who will present \$300 that their son Nassim raised for the school's Pennies for Patients campaign before his passing.

WHO: HISD Board of Education Trustees, HISD Interim Superintendent **Grenita Lathan**, River Oaks ES Principal **Keri Fovargue**, parents **Laura and Tony Nabbout**, representatives from the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, students and staff

WHEN: Monday, Feb. 17
12:30 p.m.

WHERE: River Oaks Elementary School, 2008 Kirby Dr., 77019

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