



TUESDAY E-FOLDER – September 8, 2020

Greeting Travis Families,

Happy first day of school! Special thanks for your extra efforts helping your child(ren) get the school year kicked off virtually. I also give thanks for your patience and grit battling through first-day HISD network challenges and for working around difficulties accessing the HUB. There will be hiccups and growing pains with all of this, but here is hoping for smoother days ahead. – **Tom Day, Principal**

Here are items to note for the Week of September 8-11, 2020:

Travis Teachers on Parade, Again! To celebrate our first week of Virtual Learning, the **Travis teachers** have organized a **neighborhood parade** set for this **Friday, Sept. 11 beginning at 4:00 p.m.** Families are invited to hang out on their front porches or come park along the parade route, social-distance, and wave as the teachers drive by. For the parade route and more information, click here: [Travis Teachers on Parade AGAIN!.pdf](#).

The Tuesday E-Folder: Letters, flyers, informational items, and other school communication is sent weekly to families through the Tuesday E-Folder email via the SchoolMessenger system. The primary and secondary email addresses submitted by families on beginning-of-year enrollment forms will be used. To add another email address to our distribution list, or to report instances of SchoolMessenger emails failing to reach your inbox, please email Mayte Sanchez at msanch45@houstonisd.org. We will add your address to a backup file to ensure that you receive school messages.

Missed 'Meet the Teacher'? No problem! Take-Home Bags and/or Silver Rocket Artwork Available for Pickup: If you were not able to attend last week's Meet the Teacher event, a bag containing materials your child will use during remote learning at home is available for pickup at the school. Families may also stop by to pick up any artwork submitted last year for publication in the Silver Rocket. Visit the Travis office on school days between 7:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Visitors can be buzzed in at the front doors or call from the parking lot to have items brought to the car.

HISD Connect Parent Portal: Make sure to sign up for the Parent Portal as a tool to track information related to your child(ren)'s grades, attendance, academic history, [submitting HISD forms and documents](#) (see more below!) and more. You should have received a unique code, or access ID, for your child(ren) via email and a paper copy of the letter was distributed during Meet the Teacher events. You will be able to use that code to set up an account to access your child(ren)'s profile(s). After using the access ID to set up an account on a web browser, you will be able to use the login credentials to access to access profiles on the PowerSchool Mobile app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play. For more information, visit www.HoustonISD.org/ParentPortal.

Beginning of the Year Forms and Documents: A **large envelope containing annual paperwork** required by HISD (such as the HISD enrollment form, socioeconomic form, media release, health inventory, etc.) was distributed to families during last week's Meet the Teacher events. For those interested in **submitting** those forms **electronically**, visit the **HISD Connect Parent Portal**. The site should be active soon for submitting that paperwork. Parents also have the option of dropping off completed paperwork at the Travis office on school days between 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Visitors can be buzzed in at the front doors or can call from the parking lot to request a staff member meet you at your car.

Welcome back from The Travis Foundation! The mission of The Travis foundation is to provide enduring financial support for the continued growth of Travis Elementary as an innovative, individualized, and inclusive school environment that promotes student achievement and academic excellence.

Your grade level representatives for the 2020-2021 school year are:

- Kindergarten: Catherine Bellshaw catherinebellshaw@gmail.com
- 1st Grade: Carlyn Burton carlyn.burton@gmail.com
- 2nd Grade: Burak Powers burakpowers@gmail.com
- 3rd Grade: Ryan Grant ryanmcintoshgrant@gmail.com
- 4th Grade: Rhonda Welch rhondawelch01@gmail.com
- 5th Grade: Jill Hirschenfang herbajill@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook (@WBTravis Foundation) and Instagram (@WilliamBTravisFoundation) to learn more about our initiatives and impact throughout the school year!

Save the date for The Travis Foundation's Back to School Virtual Trivia Night on Friday, Sept. 18 at 7:00

p.m.! Reconnect with old friends and meet some new ones as we test our summer binge watching in this bingeworthy version of trivia. Keep an eye out for the Eventbrite invitation in the next few days that will have all of the details on how to order dinner and join the virtual fun! For more information, click here:

[Foundation_Virtual Trivia Night.png](#).

Virtual Scout Night: Please 'Save the Date' for next **Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7:00 p.m.** for a virtual **Scout Night** via Zoom. Travis Parent representatives from **Boy Scouts** and **Girl Scouts** will talk about the programs at Travis for the upcoming school year and answer any questions about getting you involved. This is for all ages and any child interested in scouting. Please note: programs will be separate for each organization to allow for time efficiency. Watch this space next week for the Zoom links! Thank you! – Jason Lewis and Lauren Lindsay

Coder Kids: Offering [online class options](#) this semester in coding, gaming, and digital arts. Utilize the special promo code for parents – travis10 – for \$10 off classes. For more information, click here: [Coder Kids Fall 2020.pdf](#).