



TUESDAY E-FOLDER – October 13, 2020

Greetings Travis Families,

Here are items to note for the Week of October 12-16, 2020:

Parent Info Session Video: For a video of the Oct. 13 Parent Information Session re: Travis Reopening Plan for In-Person & Virtual Learning, click here: <https://vimeo.com/467975857/dd9d18fa07>.

Transportation Survey – Walker-Bike Rider Form: To help us facilitate the afternoon dismissal process, please let us know your child's transportation plans by taking our survey here: <https://forms.gle/7VrhJeyZNnQBveAP9>. Will your child be walking or biking home? Please provide parent authorization by printing out, signing, and turning in the 'Student Walker-Bike Rider' Form found here: [20 21 Walker-Bike Rider Dismissal Form.pdf](#). Please email the form to Mayte Sanchez at msanch45@houstonisd.org or drop off at the school office. Thank you!

The **Travis Frights in the Heights Carnival** is only three weeks away and we hope that every Travis family participates in this safe, community building event. The money raised goes directly to your child's classroom. There are so many ways to participate:

- **SPOOKY SCAVENGER HUNT:** This will take place **Oct. 28 - 31** and will include decoding addresses to match with a clue, costume selfie contest and more surprises. ****Register by this Friday 10/16 for guaranteed Frights in the Heights t-shirt.**** This is open to non-Travis students, as well. Help us spread the word! In addition, you can grant a Scavenger Hunt Scholarship [HERE!](#)
- **GHOST RIDER RAFFLE:** Enter the raffle for a chance to win the uber cool [Gazelle Easyflow E-bike](#) donated by [CYKL](#) and sponsored by [Caroline Schlemmer, Realtor](#). Check out [THIS video](#) to see it in action! 1 ticket = \$25, 5 tickets = \$100, and 12 tickets = \$200 THANK YOU, CAROLINE!!
- **PUMPKIN ART CONTEST:** Decorate your own pumpkin and enter it in the Pumpkin Art Contest. Stay tuned for the fun categories soon.
- **SPOOKTACULAR SPONSOR:** Remember all the money raised goes to support our teachers and administrators! They always deserve our love and support and this year more than ever. There are a number of levels and no amount is too small (or too big)!!
- **FREAKY FRIDAY FUN:** Swing by the Travis Spark Park on **Friday, October 30th** to check out some freaky performers like stilt walkers and jugglers and funky beats by a local DJ. Then join us at the Norhill Esplanade for socially distanced food, fun & treats. Friday, October 30th from 4:30-6:30pm Travis Elementary and 6-8pm Norhill Esplanade. Sponsored by The Smith Family - Stacey, Jeff, Audrey, Luke & Cole THANK YOU, SMITHS!!
- **FANGTASTIC FIFTH GRADE PARADE:** In the past our fabulous fifth graders got to design and build a haunted house for carnival, and like everything else, we had to come up with a new plan for them. Put on your costumes and masks this Halloween and cheer on our fifth graders as they treat us to a Halloween parade from Travis Elementary down Omar to the Norhill Esplanade on **Saturday, October 31st from 2:00 - 2:45pm**.

For the **event flyer** and a list of our amazing sponsors, click here: [1013 FITH efolder.pdf](#).

Travis Receives Community Partner Award: The Emerald Oaks Girl Scout Community has recognized Travis Elementary with the Community Partner Award for all of the support they continually give to the Scouting programs at Travis. Thank you, Mr. Day, for receiving this award on behalf of the school, and to the whole Travis staff for always supporting Girl Scouts by sharing their classrooms, helping with badges when asked and letting us get the word out whenever and however we ask. Thank you to all that you do to support us!

– **Lauren Lindsay**

Also: The **Girl Scouts** would like to recognize **Abigail Pisklak** of Junior Troop 122286 for earning the Bronze Award, one of three highest awards available for Girl Scouts. Abigail spent 20 hours creating Boredom Boxes, which contained activities, books and games for children to entertain themselves at home and did this project on her own over the summer. We are very proud of Abigail and all the hard work she put in to her project to earn this award. Great job! – **Lauren Lindsay**, 122286 Troop Leader

Houston ISD Holiday Card Contest: Calling all Travis Artists! Each year HISD selects student artwork for their holiday greeting card, and this year it could be yours! We are looking for a Travis Artists to represent us in the **2020 Houston ISD Holiday Card Contest**. The contest is open to students of all ages so get out those art materials and create something magical! All submissions must fill all of an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper (portrait or landscape is okay). Artwork must be a well-constructed original idea (no copyright material) and represent the holiday spirit (secular and non-denominational). You can use any material of your choice as long as the card remains flat. **Completed artwork must be turned either in person or digitally by Tuesday, October 20th at 3pm.** Artwork can be turned into Mrs. Quinones or left for her at the front desk. If turning in digitally please email Mrs. Quinones at Danielle.Quinones@houtsonisd.org If you have any questions regarding the Holiday Card Contest please contact Mrs. Quinones. We are looking forward to seeing your holiday creations! For more information, click here: [HISD HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST.pdf](#).

Teacher Service Day: There will be no school for students on **Wednesday, Oct. 21**. School resumes the following day.

2020-2021 Socioeconomic Form: Because all HISD students qualify for free breakfast and lunch, parents will not need to complete and return a free and reduced-price meal application. However, HISD is still required to collect and report the socioeconomic status of each student via a blue form that is then sent to the Texas Education Agency. This form was sent home in the large envelope containing beginning-of-the-year paperwork during Meet the Teacher events. **We need your help!** Parents must complete and return one form for your family to the school. You can now **submit annual paperwork** required by HISD via the **HISD Connect Parent Portal** (see below for more info), or you 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.

It is very important to complete the socioeconomic form so that **Travis** can receive **State Compensatory Education funding**, an important portion of the school's annual budget. Socioeconomic forms are also utilized in the annual **state accountability ratings**, ensuring that each campus is compared to other campuses with the same percentage of economically disadvantaged students. Thank you for your help!

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](#) 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 student's profile through the HISD Connect Parent Portal. 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 your student's profile on the PowerSchool Mobile app, which can be downloaded from the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#). For more information, visit HoustonISD.org/ParentPortal.