



## **TUESDAY E-FOLDER – January 12, 2021**

Dear Travis Families,

**Here are items to note for the Week of January 11-15, 2021:**

### **4<sup>TH</sup> SIX WEEKS SELECTION PERIOD THIS WEEK**

With the 4<sup>th</sup> six weeks grading period of the 2020-2021 school year approaching, HISD families have the option to revise their selection for either in-person or virtual instruction for students. The selection process remains the same. Parents have through this **Friday, Jan. 15** to make their selection through the HISD Connect Parent Portal "Forms" section. If parents would like to keep their selection as-is, no action is needed. The current selected mode of instruction will carry over for the 4<sup>th</sup> six-week grading period. Parents can also contact the school to change their selection. Please utilize these step-by-step videos on [completing forms](#) or [getting started in the Parent Portal](#). The first day of the 4<sup>th</sup> six weeks is Monday, Feb. 1.

### **VIRTUAL STUDENT ART KIT PICKUP TODAY!**

I am excited to announce that we are distributing art supplies to all our Travis artists! Each student will receive a bag with an art eraser, pencil sharpener, glue stick, sharpie, oil pastels, watercolor pallet, and a sketchbook. Our in-person, campus-based students will receive these items at school over the next few days.

**For our families engaged in the virtual setting**, you are invited to pick up your child's Art Kit at our **drive-thru pick up TODAY, Tuesday, Jan. 12 from 3:15-4:15 p.m.** Simply pull your car up curbside at the intersection of Florence and Merrill Streets (near the back porch entrance to the school) and we will safely place the materials in your car, touch-free, and maintaining social distancing. (For those unable to pick up during the drive-thru time, materials are available for pick-up in the Travis office.) Art Kits for virtual families will also come with a portfolio of mixed media paper and watercolor paper, and any extra supplies needed for their art show piece.

Thank you all for your continued support of our Travis art program. We are beginning work on our masterpieces for our virtual spring art show that will feature every Travis artist. Be on the lookout for more information on the art show in the weeks to come! If you have any questions about Art Kits or portfolios, please reach out to me. – **Summer Quiñones**, Travis Art Teacher (Mrs. Q)  
– [Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org](mailto:Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org)

### **MARATHON KIDS KICKOFF CELEBRATION THIS WEEK**

The Marathon Kids Kickoff Celebration is this week, **Jan. 11-15**. In our Marathon Kids **Run in 2021** campaign, students will have the opportunity to set running goals and strive to complete them before the end of the school year. Our in-person, campus-based students will have their Kickoff Celebration during their regularly scheduled PE class this week.

**For our families engaged in the virtual setting**, your child(ren) is/are invited to participate in an after-school Kickoff Celebration on the running track in the Travis SPARK PARK at these dates and times:

**Wednesday, Jan. 13 (virtual students only)**

- 3:00-3:45 – Kindergarten
- 4:00-4:45 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- 5:00-5:45 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

**Thursday, Jan. 14 (virtual students only)**

- 3:00-3:45 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- 4:00-4:45 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 5:00-5:45 – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Parents, you are invited to track your child's progress in their running goals and submit running miles from home by accepting the invitation from Marathon Kids that was sent on Dec. 15. For more information about Marathon Kids, go to <https://marathonkids.org/> or contact me. – **Coach Sharon Dodd**, Travis P.E. Teacher ([ssipps@houstonisd.org](mailto:ssipps@houstonisd.org))

**MLK DAY HOLIDAY**

There will be no school (virtual or in-person) **on Monday, Jan. 18.**

**HISD VIRTUAL PARENT UNIVERSITY SESSION**

The Houston Independent School District will host its next virtual Parent University workshop on **Tuesday, Jan. 19 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** The theme of this month's session will be "College and Career Readiness." The workshop will begin with a general session followed by virtual breakout sessions that will include information on district programs, parent engagement, and community resources. A variety of community resources will be available for parents. Registration and more information for each event can be found at [HoustonISD.org/ParentUniversity](https://HoustonISD.org/ParentUniversity). All HISD families are encouraged to attend. Throughout the 2020-21 school year, Parent University virtual workshops take place each month. Upcoming sessions:

- Tuesday, Jan. 19 – College and Career Readiness
- Tuesday, Feb. 16 – Non-Academic Supports Offered in HISD
- Tuesday, April 20 – Supporting Your Child's Social and Emotional Needs

This districtwide initiative was launched in September 2018 with a mission of connecting HISD parents and children to resources that support successful academic careers, as well as safe and healthy environments at home and at school.

**TEACHER-STAFF PREPARATION DAY**

There will be no school (virtual or in-person) on **Friday, Jan. 29.**

Wishing you a great week!