



## TUESDAY E-FOLDER – January 26, 2021

Dear Travis Families,

Here are items to note for the Week of January 25-29, 2021:

### NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY – TEACHER-STAFF PREPARATION DAY

There will be no school (virtual or in-person) on **Friday (Jan. 29)**. School will resume on Monday, Feb. 1 with the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> six weeks grading period.

### SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Travis is proud to announce that we are participating in the 2021 Souper Bowl of Caring: **Jan. 25-Feb. 5**. During the event, students will take up a collection and give our donations to the Heights Interfaith Ministries Food Pantry. We will report our total to Souper Bowl of Caring, so our students become part of the national efforts. Through this experience, they learn the power of working together to make a difference in the lives of others. **WE WILL COLLECT:**

- **At Travis:** Non-perishable food items (collection boxes will be located in the hallway outside the Travis office)
- **Virtual Food Item Donations:** Food items can be donated virtually at [www.yougivegoods.com/sbochisd\\_hisd\\_foundation](http://www.yougivegoods.com/sbochisd_hisd_foundation)
- **Cash Donations:** Can be submitted online here: <https://map.tacklehunger.org/donate/ch11>

For more information, click here: [2021 Souper Bowl of Caring.pdf](#). Thank you for helping us make our 2021 Souper Bowl of Caring a success! -- **Leslie Smith** ([lsmith37@houstonisd.org](mailto:lsmith37@houstonisd.org))

### A NOTE FROM MRS. Q.

I look forward to welcoming back many of our current virtual artists to face-to-face learning on Feb. 1. If your child(ren) is transitioning from virtual learning back to campus for the 4<sup>th</sup> six weeks, please have them bring their art kit bags and portfolios with them as they return to school. If your child is remaining virtual and you have not had an opportunity to pick up an art kit, they are still available for pick up in the Travis office. If you are unable to pick up the supplies for any reason, please reach out to me. Thanks! – **Summer Quiñones**, Travis Art Teacher (Mrs. Q – [Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org](mailto:Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org))

### VIRTUAL KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

Incoming and prospective Kindergarten families for the 2021-2022 school year that reside within the Travis attendance boundaries are invited to join us for a virtual Kindergarten Roundup session. The event will take place via Microsoft Teams Live Event on **Friday, Feb. 12** from 12:30-1:30 p.m. A meeting link and more information will be shared next week.

### WORLD CULTURES FAMILY NIGHT

The Travis PTA is excited to announce that World Cultures Family Night 2021 is coming to your home! That's right, we will join each other virtually on **Wednesday, Feb. 24** from 6:00-7:30pm via zoom. We will take advantage of the breakout room feature to have students/families visit each country. If you are interested in hosting a breakout room to present on a country, we ask that you prepare a 5-10 minute presentation to share when students come into your "room". There, you can share facts and information about your country, its importance to you, examples of food (cooked if you would like to

show off your skills!), a decorated table set up/board or backdrop, costumes, a few slides to share ... it is entirely up to you! Students will be given a room change announcement about every 10 minutes, so you should have groups rotating through just as you would with a table at our traditional face-to-face event. Sign up [HERE](#) to choose your country!

In addition to the event on the 24th, if you are interested in recording a longer cooking, crafting, or country-specific video to be shared that week, we are looking for a few folks to share a more in-depth experience that can be done at any time for those that either cannot make the virtual event or want to have something to do with their kiddo on their own time. Please email me if you are interested in this opportunity. [Andrea Mitchen, VP Programs](#).

### **WHAT DOES LOVE MEAN TO YOU?**

We would like to see what love means to our Travis Tigers. We encourage your child to express his or her idea of love through art. This project is **free** and open to all Travis students. Canvas and paint sets are available for pick-up in the front office or for porch pick-up at 1120 Highland weekdays 2p-6p. If you need to make other arrangements for pick-up/drop-off, please email [arts@travispta.org](mailto:arts@travispta.org) to coordinate. Completed artwork should be returned to the front desk or porch by **Friday, Feb. 5**. All art will be displayed in the school in time for Valentine's Day and shared on our Facebook page. Love knows no bounds – the paint and canvas are just a starting point. Please feel free to use and include other media if your creativity demands it! For any questions, please contact [arts@travispta.org](mailto:arts@travispta.org). – **Mandy Olson** and **Cristina Seal**, Travis PTA Arts Co-Chairs

### **TALENT TUESDAY IS BACK**

We have missed seeing our talented Tigers, and we know you are out there! Whether it be dance, music, art, soccer trick shots, or 100 digits of Pi memorized – let's show them off! Send in videos or photos of your student's special skill to be featured on the Tuesday morning announcements and/or the PTA Facebook page! Please email your submission to [arts@travispta.org](mailto:arts@travispta.org). Video submissions should not exceed 2 minutes in length. – **Mandy Olson** and **Cristina Seal**, Travis PTA Arts Co-Chairs

### **MARATHON KIDS MILEAGE LOGS AND PROGRESS TRACKING**

Marathon Kids is up and running at Travis! The Kickoff Celebration was a success and students were given their mileage logs. Digital copies of the Marathon Kids mileage logs can be found here: [MK Mileage Logs.pdf](#). Students were given running goals to complete before the end of the school year. Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students were challenged to complete one or more marathons, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students two or more marathons, and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders three or more marathons. Be sure to put the mileage log in a visible place (like on the refrigerator or in a homework binder) and make sure to color those miles! Remember, 20 minutes of physical activity = one mile. Parents, you are invited to track your child's progress on their running goals and submit running miles from home by accepting the invitation from Marathon Kids that was sent on Dec. 15. This invite from Marathon Kids was sent out again last week. For more information about Marathon Kids, go to <https://marathonkids.org/> or contact me with any questions. – **Coach Sharon Dodd**, Travis P.E. Teacher ([ssipps@houstonisd.org](mailto:ssipps@houstonisd.org))

### **HISD VIRTUAL PARENT UNIVERSITY FEB. SESSION**

HISD will host its next virtual Parent University workshop on **Tuesday, Feb. 16** from 6 to 8 p.m. The theme of the fourth session will be "Non-Academic Supports Offered in HISD." 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. 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. All HISD families are encouraged to attend. 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).

Wishing you a great week!