



## **TUESDAY E-FOLDER – February 16, 2021**

Dear Travis Families,

I hope that you are faring as well as possible during this historical cold weather for Houston and challenging time. I know that many of us are having power and water issues and I trust that you are managing to stay safe through these struggles.

As you may have seen HISD has communicated, we will have two more inclement weather days on Wednesday and Thursday, with a possible move to asynchronous learning on Friday. I will keep you updated on what this means for us all as I receive guidance.

Please know that the safety and wellbeing of our faculty, staff, and families come first.

My thoughts and prayers are with you and everyone in our school family and community, and around the area who have been impacted.

Stay safe and wishing you well!

Sincerely,  
Tom Day, Principal

**Here are additional items to note for the Week of February 15-19, 2021:**

### **HOMESIDE CHAT WITH MR. DAY**

Join the Travis PTA for another virtual HomeSide Chat with Mr. Day this **Monday, Feb. 22 at 6:30 p.m.** via Zoom. Get the latest updates on our Travis community and learn more about planning for the rest of the school year. If you have questions you would like to submit prior, please email them to [president@travispta.org](mailto:president@travispta.org).

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87502886875?pwd=YWd0ZThNbFkzeWF4UDlkQmhQUUtjZz09>

Meeting ID: 875 0288 6875

Passcode: 802278

### **FEDERAL REPORT CARD**

The Texas Education Agency has developed the Federal Report Card, a Web-based system to generate campus-, district-, and state-level reports with information regarding student achievement, academic expectations, school improvement status, and teacher quality. Travis Elementary is sharing this information

about the Houston Independent School District and our school in the parent notification found here: [Federal Report Card 2019-2020.pdf](#).

## TRAVIS FOUNDATION UPDATES

The Foundation has been busy since the start of the school year working to make sure our teachers and staff are prepared for virtual as well as face-to-face learning. As part of our commitment to funding investments that deliver long-term, positive impact to the entire Travis Elementary Community, we are pleased to share a couple of our recently funded grants:

- 13 Laptop Charging Carts
  - Have you ever thought about the logistics of charging 300+ laptops? These carts are essential for keeping all of our new technology secure, charged and ready to serve our children and teachers every day.
- Dan St. Romain Teacher Professional Development
  - Dan St. Romain is a national education consultant who provides staff development and consultative services to K-12 educators. He is passionate about helping individuals shift their perspective on behavior, understanding the best ways to provide support given the challenges posed in today's society. He regularly presents on topics impacting school climate, brain-based instruction, developmentally appropriate education practices and presentation skills.
  - Providing our teachers with high quality professional development opportunities is one of the ways we strengthen Travis as a leading, innovative learning environment.

None of these things could have been possible without the support of our amazing Travis community and for that, we want to say, "THANK YOU!!"

Want to help support upcoming grant requests? You can set up a one time or recurring donation here: <http://travisfoundation.org/donations>

Follow us for more Travis Foundation updates!

- Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/WBTravisFoundation/>
- Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/williamsbtravisfoundation/>

## ATTENTION TRAVIS SCOUTS!

To show support for our wonderful Travis family and to foster community, your Scout leaders are encouraging Scouts to wear uniforms and/or scouting gear on the last day of each week as they feel comfortable doing so! Scouts will also be helping with the Tiger TV morning announcements by leading the pledges and providing a character-building message. If you have questions, or if your scout would like to sign up for morning announcements, please reach out to Cubmaster **Jason Lewis** [cjlewis610@gmail.com](mailto:cjlewis610@gmail.com) or Troop Leader **Lauren Lindsay** [laurenpfa@bellsouth.net](mailto:laurenpfa@bellsouth.net).

## 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](#).

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Below are links to additional flyers/letters for this week:

- [Lost Forest Tennis\\_Spring Break Day Camps.pdf](#)

Stay warm. Stay well!