



TUESDAY E-FOLDER – April 6, 2021

Dear Travis Families,

Here are items to note for the Week of April 5-9, 2021:

'TRAVIS HAS TALENT' VIRTUAL SPRING SHOWCASE & AUCTION

Do you love our Travis playground? We do too!! As part of The Travis Foundation's commitment to improving and maintaining our schools infrastructure, we provide funds for enhanced lawn maintenance to improve grass growth and drainage (we hate muddy shoes too!) We also added the oh-so-popular tire swing and nature play area that have become new favorites for all our kids. **All these things are made possible by the funds we raise at the Spring Social and Auction** and the support of our Travis Tiger Community. Travis has Talent will not require a ticket purchase so all can enjoy! That means sponsors and underwriters will be more important than ever to meet our fundraising goals. **Check out what sponsorship and underwriting opportunities are still available.**

THANK YOU
SPONSORS AND UNDERWRITERS!

Talent Show Treats Underwriter

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A Round of Applause for Auction Item Donors!

Discover Gymnastics

Christina Kuehler - Colorful Houston

Panera Bread

Leah Trilli at Yoga Fitletic

What is Travis Has Talent? This year we join forces with the annual **Talent Show** (led by Creative Movement teacher **Danetta Keevill** and Music teacher **Rachel Wadler**) and a new **Virtual Art Show** (featuring the work of our students with Travis Art Teacher **Summer Quinones**) for a WEEKLONG celebration of Travis talent! (More information forthcoming on how you can purchase your child's framed artwork!) Each night during the week of April 26th, we will showcase a different category of videos submitted by you, our talented Travis community. On Saturday, May 1st the event will culminate with the Premiere Event featuring Johnny Bravo, more from our Talented Tigers and behind the scenes footage from Travis Elementary. You won't want to miss it!

Top Four Ways You Can Help:

1. **Submit** a talent show video
2. Become an **Underwriter** or a **Sponsor**
3. Donate an **auction item**
4. Save the date and plan to join us for a week of celebrating Travis!

For more information, please visit the event page or connect with us on Facebook!

FIELD DAY 2021: 'FUN IN THE SUN!'

Will take place during regularly scheduled face-to-face Core Enrichment and recess times on **Friday**. All students should wear tennis shoes, a hat, and bring their labeled water bottles. Students in the Travis virtual setting are invited to join their face-to-face peers for a spread out, outdoor Field Day experience during their grade level's designated time that day (see times below) or participate in a Family Field Day at home! I have attached a simple guide to help you plan for a fun, at-home Field Day: [FAMILY FIELD DAY Planning Guide 2021.pdf](#)

If you plan to have your virtual student join us for Field Day, please bring them at their designated time to the entry gate next to the SPARK Park basketball court. A Travis staff member will be there to help you sign in and sign out your child and to check their temperature before they join the fun.

In PE classes, students are learning about the health benefits of sunshine, like how Vitamin D from the sun helps to strengthen your immune system, as well as your bones, muscles, and heart. Plus, how a little sunshine can reduce stress and help fight off depression. Thus, this year for Field Day we're looking forward to having some 'Fun in the Sun!' -- **Coach Sharon Dodd (ssipps@houstonisd.org)**

'FUN IN THE SUN' Field Day -- Friday, April 9	
5 th Grade	8:00-8:45 a.m.
3 rd Grade	8:50-9:35 a.m.
2 nd Grade	9:40-10:25 a.m.
4 th Grade	10:30-11:15 a.m.
1 st Grade	12:05-12:50 p.m.
Kindergarten	12:55-1:40 p.m.

CALL FOR FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS

Coach Dodd could use some volunteers to help with Field Day! Please click this link (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4CAFA62AA1F49-field>) and sign up for a slot if you would like to help! Volunteers must be VIPS cleared and wear a mask. -- **Kelley Davidson and Veronica Jurado, PTA Health & Wellness Co-Chairs**

PARENT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY -- BIRDS & BEES BASICS and PUBERTY PREP

Spring has sprung. So ... let's talk about the birds and the bees! Mark your calendars and join us for a virtual presentation and Q&A session with award-winning author **Amy Lang, MA**, on **Thursday, April 15 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** and **Tuesday May 4, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** These two live Zoom sessions are a two-part installment of Travis's *Parent Learning Series* and are recorded, parent-only events. Special thanks to the **Travis Foundation** for making these talks possible. For more information and to register, see below:

1) **Birds & Bees Basics** - a foundational talk for parents of K-5th graders with age/developmentally-appropriate guidance and resources for parents on **Thursday, April 15 from 6-7:30 pm CT**. Registration and hand-out links below:

- <https://tinyurl.com/BBKTRAVIS>
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16IKqta-ib0I0N3xRz59c8lgz5W2e8NTG/view?usp=sharing>

2) **Puberty Prep for Parents** - a follow-up geared mainly toward parents of 5th graders, but open to interested parents of any grade on **Tuesday May 4, at 6:00-7:30PM**. Registration and hand-out links below:

- <https://tinyurl.com/BBKTRAVPUB>
- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f9WCV_2gMrR1cRY2QPBKHdaj_tBEfCeS/view?usp=sharing

*Both live Zoom sessions will be recorded for any parents/guardians unable to attend at the scheduled date and time. Part of the Q+A segments will not be recorded to respect/protect individual privacy. Parents will have an option to submit 'anonymous' questions in advance, via email, directly to Amy Lang, MA, amy@birdsandbeesandkids.com.

SPRING PORTRAIT DAY

Takes place on **Friday, April 16**. **Lifetouch paper order forms** have been sent home with face-to-face students and photos can also be ordered online by going to www.mylifetouch.com and entering the **Travis Picture Day ID: EVTVBVJ3W**. For families with students in the virtual setting wishing to have your child's photo taken, you have two options:

- Bring your child to school that day any time between 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. to have their photo taken. Use the link and Travis Picture Day ID above to pre-order your child's photos or pick up a copy of the paper order form in advance in the Travis office.
- Use the **Lifetouch Snaps@Home program** to take and order your child's photo independently. Photos taken through the Snaps@Home program can be submitted for use in the Travis yearbook. For information and to get started, click here: <https://lifetouch.com/picture-day-snaps-at-home/>.

2020-2021 TRAVIS YEARBOOK

Student photos taken through Lifetouch will be used in the 2020-2021 Travis yearbook (with parent consent). A separate individual photo may also be submitted for use in the yearbook (see more info below). **For information on ordering your copy of the Travis Yearbook, click here: [Yearbook Ordering Info.pdf](#). Order deadline is Friday, April 30.** For questions or more information, contact Travis yearbook coordinator **Rosemary Chavez** at 17rosebud@gmail.com. To submit a photo for the yearbook independent of Lifetouch, email Ms. Chavez using the subject line 'TRAVIS YEARBOOK', attach your photo, and include your student's name & grade level in the message.

VEGOUT!

VegOut! is complete and logs are rolling in!! While the real win is eating tons of vegetables this month, each child that submits a completed log will receive a prize. ****Submissions are extended thru this Friday April 9th, so keep eating those veggies!** Please submit logs to Coach Dodd or scan and email to health@travispta.org. The Health and Wellness Committee is proud of our veggie eating Tigers! We are building the foundation for lifelong health one bite at a time! -- **Kelley Davidson** and **Veronica Jurado**, PTA Health & Wellness Co-Chairs

Wishing you a great week!

Sincerely,
Tom Day, Principal