

Rapper Travis Scott joins HISD and City of Houston to unveil campus garden at Young Elementary

WHAT: The HISD Nutrition Services' Get Growing Houston program, in partnership with the Cactus Jack Foundation, will celebrate the unveiling of the Young Elementary School campus garden.

The initiative includes seven campus gardens installed through the partnership at Alcott, Bastian, Rucker, and Wesley elementary schools, Attucks and M.C. Williams middle schools and Washington High School.

Along with parents and community volunteers, Young Elementary students prepared a campus garden and constructed newly raised planting beds. Through a partnership with the City of Houston, supplies were donated by The Cactus Jack Foundation, Lowe's Heroes program, and a grant from the Houston ToolBank.

Get Growing Houston, an agriculture education program of the Nutrition Services Food and Agriculture Literacy Department, builds on and sustains eco-friendly campus and community gardens that are currently located on 20 HISD campuses. The program's Good Food goal is to help students develop more than a consumer relationship with food and seek food-related careers.

The Cactus Jack Foundation, which American rapper Travis Scott founded in 2020, aims to provide educational and creative resources to empower and enrich young people in Houston while targeting underserved communities.

*Editor's Note: Media are invited to Young Elementary School, where they can view the unveiling and interview attendees, students, and staff. **RSVP required by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 2.***

WHO: American rapper, singer and record producer **Travis Scott**, HISD Chief Operating Officer **Wanda Paul**, Nutrition Services Area Manager **Marcus Glenn**, City of Houston representatives

WHEN: Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2021
10:30 a.m.

WHERE: Young Elementary School, 3555 Bellfort, 77051

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