HISD’s Chávez-Huerta celebration to honor the labor and civil rights leaders’ legacies

WHAT: The Houston Independent School District is hosting its second annual Chávez-Huerta celebration, where students will honor the legacies of labor and civil rights activists César Chávez and Dolores Huerta. The theme of this year’s event is “Overcoming our Obstacles.”

Highlights of the virtual symposium include a live keynote address from Dolores Huerta and student performances.

A panel discussion will provide insights from Belen Delgado of the Huerta Foundation, Isidro Garza of the Johnny Mata LULAC Council #19, and Judson Robinson of the Houston Area Urban League.

Telemundo Houston news anchor Antonio Hernandez and two HISD high school students will serve as moderators.

César Chávez’s son Paul of the Chávez Foundation will provide the closing address.

On March 28, 2022, HISD schools and offices will be closed in honor of César Chávez, who died in 1993, and Dolores Huerta, who is 90 years old, and resides in California.

WHO: Unless otherwise noted, all will make appearances virtually: Superintendent Millard House II, Chief of Schools Denise Watts, Assistant Superintendents Geovanny Ponce and Cesar Martinez, Principal Luis Landa (in person), staff, students, community members, and special guests

WHEN: Saturday, March 26 9 to 11 a.m.

WHERE: César Chávez High School 8501 Howard Drive, 77017

The event may be viewed and recorded virtually at https://bit.ly/3s7qy6T
The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth-largest in the United States, with 276 schools and nearly 197,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.