

# HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

## Wish for Wheels spreads holiday cheer with 600 new bikes for HISD students

**WHAT:** Ten Houston Independent School District schools will receive new bikes and helmets this holiday season in corporation with “Wish for Wheels,” a nonprofit organization based in Denver, Colorado that works with companies to provide new bikes to students in economically disadvantaged schools. Every second-grade student at each of the 10 schools will receive this early Christmas gift. For many students, this will be the first time they have owned a bike of their own.

HISD and Wish for Wheels have partnered with OXY, an energy company that produces energy and essential products to sustain and improve life on our planet for what will be their largest bike build ever conducted. OXY has been partnering with Wish for Wheels since 2015 as a part of the company’s support for healthy local communities and has donated more than 1,500 new bikes and helmets to students in Texas and Colorado.


**WHO:** Raul C Martinez Elementary Principal **April Coleman**, OXY Representative **William Fitzgerald**, Wish for Wheels Manager **Lori Davis**, participating schools include Atherton, Henderson, Dogan, Bruce, Isaacs, Pugh, Kashmere Gardens, Scroggins, Port Houston and Raul C Martinez Elementary


**WHEN:** Wednesday, Dec. 14  
10:30 a.m.


**WHERE:** Raul C. Martinez Elementary, 7211 Market St., 77020

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.

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