HISD Superintendent teams up with the Texans for Houston Reads Day

WHAT: Houston Independent School District Superintendent Millard House, Houston Texans football players and cheerleaders will join more than 400 volunteers across Houston for Literacy Now’s Houston Reads Day, a day dedicated to reading to 14,000 Pre-K-3rd grade students at 31 schools in Houston ISD and Aldine ISD. This event will be filled with several activities for students and participants to engage in.

Literacy Now is a local nonprofit dedicated to transforming communities by empowering children and families through literacy, leadership, and life skills. Houston Reads Day will support Literacy Now’s expansion and bring awareness to the literacy crisis in our city.

Forty-one percent of Houston-area children are not ready for kindergarten, and 73 percent of third graders are not reading at grade level. The ability to read proficiently by the end of third grade is a significant predictor of high school graduation and other adverse outcomes, including serious behavior problems, joblessness, crime, and homelessness.

WHO: HISD Superintendent Millard House II, Houston Texans football players and cheerleaders, NCAA Final Four Fan Jam, HISD students and staff

WHEN: Thursday, Mar. 2
9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Bruce Elementary, 510 Jensen Dr., 77020