

# Tiger Tracks

Travis High School Parent Newsletter

Issue #104, September 28, 2015

## QUICK CLICKS:

[Click Here](#) for the current Travis High School lunch menu.

[Click Here](#) for a complete list of this week's events.

[Click Here](#) for the free/reduced lunch application.

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[Click Here](#) for the link to the IBMA Academy website.

[Click Here](#) for the link to the GSA Academy website.

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## This Week in Tiger Land

### Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

Volleyball vs. Alief Taylor (4:45/5:45/6:45pm)

### Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

College Wear Wednesday!

### Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

#ThemeDayThursday: Throwback Day/Decade Day!

Freshman Football @ Austin (4:30/6:30pm)

JV Football vs. Austin (4:30/6:30pm)

### Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Varsity Football Pink Out game vs. Austin @ Mercer (7:00pm)**

Volleyball vs. Kempner (4:45/5:45/6:45PM)

### Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

SAT

## Senior Package Extension!!!

Seniors who have not yet purchased a senior package may do so this Tuesday and Wednesday during lunches (see form on last page of this newsletter)!!! Last chance!!!

## TRAVIS TIGER CODE OF CONDUCT

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE RESPECTFUL

BE SAFE

BE READY TO LEARN

## Roaring Ahead!

### October 9<sup>th</sup>

Student early release day

### October 12<sup>th</sup>

District Staff Development Day – NO SCHOOL

### October 16<sup>th</sup>

Report Card 1 – UIL Check

### October 29<sup>th</sup>

School Picture Re-Takes

### November 12<sup>th</sup>

Academic Excellence Night

### November 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving Holiday – NO SCHOOL

## Important Senior Dates

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** – 3rd period in the Auditorium – Senior Class Meeting

**October 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>** – Balfour graduation orders in the Commons during all lunches

## Pink Out Game

Come help us start a new tradition at Travis High School! At our varsity football game this Friday, we are asking all Tiger fans to wear PINK in honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

We will be distributing 1000 Pink Out shirts to students for \$2 each this Friday during lunches. ALL PROCEEDS will go to [The Rose](#), a Houston-based foundation that serves local breast cancer victims, survivors and their families.

We owe a huge thanks to our business partners who have already donated so generously to this cause:

Serene Dental Aesthetics

Chick-Fil-A Bella Terra

Christian Brothers Automotive (Waterside)

Starbucks (Grand Parkway and West Bellfort)

Kroger Marketplace

Il Primo Pizzeria

Kim Hollas, Remax

Santikos Palladium



*"It's not the size of the TIGER in the fight...It's the size of the fight in the TIGER!!!"*

- 2015 Travis Tiger Pink Out Shirt

### Important Academy Dates

PSAT day is Wed., October 14<sup>th</sup>. FBISD invests in your child's future by allowing all students in 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th grades to take the PSAT at no charge.

- The PSAT/NMSQT is a great way to preview and practice for the SAT as it tests the same skills and knowledge as the SAT in a way that makes sense for your student's grade level.
- Students can practice SAT skills without worrying about their scores being sent to colleges.
- When test results arrive, students can create and connect their College Board and Khan Academy® accounts to get free personalized SAT study recommendations.

### Get Money for College

- Tell your student to mark "Yes" to Student Search Service™ when he/she takes the PSAT/NMSQT and make it easy for colleges and scholarship programs to find him/her. Millions of dollars are available!
- 10th and 11th grade students taking the PSAT/NMSQT are automatically screened for the National Merit® Scholarship Program

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR DROPPING 2015-2016 CLASSES

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
FRIDAY OCTOBER 30, 2015	LAST DAY TO CHANGE A LEVEL AND/OR DROP A COURSE FOR STUDY HALL, OFF CAMPUS (SENIOR ONLY) OR OFFICE AIDE (JUNIOR OR SENIOR ONLY) LAST OPPORTUNITY TO DROP A FULL YEAR COURSE	LAST OPPORTUNITY TO DROP A FULL YEAR COURSE
TUESDAY JANUARY 19, 2016	LAST DAY TO CHANGE TO A NEW COURSE (1 SEMESTER ONLY)	THESE CHANGES WILL ONLY OCCUR IF THERE IS AN ERROR IN THE STUDENT SCHEDULE.
FRIDAY MARCH 11, 2016	FOR SPRING SEMESTER CLASSES ONLY (I.E., HEALTH) LAST DAY TO CHANGE A LEVEL AND/OR DROP A SPRING SEMESTER COURSE FOR A NON-CREDIT CLASS (I.E., STUDY HALL)	REMINDER: FULL YEAR COURSES HAD TO BE DROPPED BY OCTOBER 30, 2015

### Important Academy Dates

The district has scheduled two "Academy Preview Nights" in lieu of the Academy Expo at Wheeler from previous years.

Academy preview nights:

October 13, 6-8pm, Austin HS

October 21, 6-8pm, Marshall HS

*Reminder: The GSA/IBMA Travis Academy Open House will be October 28, 6-8pm*



Sneak Peek of our Pink Out Shirt!

### Practice SAT Back Again!

The Class of 2017 will once again be sponsoring practice SAT administrations this year! Our partners at [Sylvan Learning Center of Sugar Land](#) will be administering the test on the dates below. Tickets for each administration will be \$25. You can purchase tickets to BOTH fall administrations for \$45 (CASH ONLY, payable to Ms. McAnelly in Room #C119 once tickets go on sale). Dates for administrations with results nights will be:

**October 24<sup>th</sup>:** Practice SAT Test #1 – 7:30am until 12:30pm- THS Auditorium

**October 29<sup>th</sup>:** Results Night for October 24<sup>th</sup> Practice Administration – 6:00pm and 6:30pm (choose one) – THS Library

**November 14<sup>th</sup>:** Practice SAT Test #2 – 7:30am until 12:30pm – THS Auditorium

**November 19<sup>th</sup>:** Results Night for November 15<sup>th</sup> Practice Administration – 6:00pm and 6:30pm (choose one) – THS Library

### Travis PTO Needs YOU!

THS PTO is doing a Cash Drive from Sept. 18 through Oct. 19. As this is THS's 10th Anniversary, we would like to use a portion of these funds to make some much-needed enhancements (painting walls with school colors, updating the marquee as well as other beautification projects across the campus).

Please see the letter on the following page for more details on the Travis High School PTO and what we are all about!



**TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER  
2015-2016 THS PTO**

Dear Travis Family:

Travis High School prides itself on having an overall educational curriculum that rivals any school. Maintaining this standard of excellence requires financial resources beyond the amount received from the district.

Previous fundraising events relied primarily on food sales at lunch. In order to supplement this program, we have also created the **Tiger Fundraiser**. This fundraising program allows each family to donate money directly to the PTO through a tax deductible<sup>1</sup> contribution. 100% of your donation goes directly to fund classroom and school enhancements. *No other fund-raising program offers this!* Working *with* THS administration and teachers, your generous donations provides and funds programs and services for students and teachers.

Using funds that were raised last year the PTO (formerly known as VIPS) was able to purchase the following:

- **Monetary Contributions to the Activity Fund** – providing classroom supplies not funded by the district
- **Teacher Luncheon** – hosting two teacher appreciation luncheons, one in the Fall, one in the Spring
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** – one hosted luncheon plus a variety of food items every day of this special week
- **Senior Breakfast** – hosting this event to celebrate all graduating Seniors

This year we are celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Travis High School. In honor of this momentous occasion, we would like to use a portion of this funding to make some much needed enhancements by painting walls with school colors, updating the marquee as well as other beautification projects across the campus.

**Your generous donations allow the PTO to sponsor these functions and provide valuable educational tools!**

The PTO's goal is to raise \$25,000 this year through the **Tiger Fundraiser**. We are asking that each Tiger family consider a donation in the amount of \$25, less than 14 cents per school day. **We greatly appreciate any size donation, and are striving for 100% participation from our THS families this year!**

We have enclosed a **Tiger Fundraiser Form**. This fundraiser will run from September 18, 2015 through October 19, 2015. We would appreciate you donating to help our school.

Thank you for your support. We are looking forward to another fantastic year at THS and want you to be a part of it! Any questions, please contact Duyen Reynolds at [hoangduyen@windstream.net](mailto:hoangduyen@windstream.net) (713-254-3102) or Mary Martinez [marymatinez1@hotmail.com](mailto:marymatinez1@hotmail.com) (281-513-1426).

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*Julie Diaz*  
Principal THS

*Duyen Reynolds*  
Fundraiser Co-Chair

*Mary Martinez*  
Fundraiser Co-Chair

<sup>1</sup>THS PTO is a 501 (c)(3) organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

# Senior Package Class of 2016 Payment Program

Prom Ticket with Souvenir (1)

Senior Yearbook (1)

Senior Trip (1)

Senior shirt (1)

Approximate Value \$280

**Option One:** Full payment of \$280 turned in with this form **during lunches** 9/22 to 9/24.  
Please make check payable to: Travis Activity Fund

**Option Two: Six payments:**

**Initial Payment:** \$55 turned in with this form **during lunches** 9/22 to 9/24  
Please make check payable to: Travis Activity Fund

Remaining 5 payments of \$45 on line at:

**Online Payments:** <https://fortbendisd.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?pg=ths> then choose **Seniors** link.

This link will not be activated until October.

Payment 2	\$45	Due Friday, October 30 <sup>th</sup>
Payment 3	\$45	Due Friday, November 20 <sup>th</sup>
Payment 4	\$45	Due Friday, January 15 <sup>th</sup>
Payment 5	\$45	Due Friday, February 5 <sup>th</sup>
Payment 6	\$45	Due Friday, March 4 <sup>th</sup>

Please detach above for your records.

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size: \_\_\_\_\_ Student cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree that I will make the aforementioned payments each month by the deadlines indicated. If I miss a payment, I will no longer be an active participant in the Senior 2015 - 2016 Payment Program and will receive a refund of my paid balance to date. I will also pay full retail price for all of items indicated. If my child withdraws from school prior to the ordering of these items, I will receive a refund. If my child is excluded from any activity for disciplinary issues, I understand that I will not receive a refund. I understand that the package may be altered due to extenuating circumstances, but that I will receive the full value of the items I have paid for.

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Parent Signature

Date

Please submit this form with payment **during lunches** 9/22 to 9/24 to Mrs. Bernard.