# Tiger Tracks

# **Travis High School Parent Newsletter**

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# **QUICK CLICKS:**

<u>Click Here</u> for the current Travis High School lunch menu. <u>Click Here</u> for a complete list of this week's events. <u>Click Here</u> for the free/reduced lunch application. <u>Click Here</u> for the 2015-16 Bell Schedule. <u>Click Here</u> for the 2015-16 Tutorial Schedule. <u>Click Here</u> for the link to the IBMA Academy website. <u>Click Here</u> for the link to the GSA Academy website. <u>Click Here</u> to go to the Tiger Tracks website. <u>Click Here</u> to follow THS on Twitter. <u>Click Here</u> to make your student an appt. with the THS Writing Lab.

# This Week in Tiger Land

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#### Monday, October 26th

Red Ribbon Week: RED OUT!

#### Tuesday, October 27th

Red Ribbon Week: Super Hero Day! Volleyball vs. Dulles – Senior Night (4:45/5:45/6:45pm) <u>Wednesday. October 28<sup>th</sup></u>

College Wear Wednesday! Red Ribbon Week: Fancy Day! Academy Open House (6:00pm)

#### Thursday, October 29th

Red Ribbon Week: Shade Out Drugs (hats and sunglasses)! Balfour at all lunches – graduation orders Orchestra Masquerade Concert (6:00pm) Practice SAT Results Night (6:00/6:30pm) Freshman Football vs. Hastings – Old Kempner Field (4:30/6:30pm) JV Football @ Hastings (4:30/6:30pm) <u>Friday. October 30<sup>th</sup></u> Red Ribbon Week: WHITE OUT! Balfour at all lunches – graduation orders

# Saturday, October 31st

Junior Tiger Cheer Clinic – Bowie MS (8:00-11:00am) Varsity Football vs. Hastings – Mercer (1:00pm)

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# **Roaring Ahead!**

November 12<sup>th</sup> Academic Excellence Night November 13<sup>th</sup> Senior Panoramic Photo – 10:00am November 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Holiday – NO SCHOOL December 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> STAAR Re-Testing December 9<sup>th</sup> Group/Club Photo Day Fall Sports Banquet – 6:00PM December 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Semester Exams December 21<sup>st</sup>-January 2<sup>nd</sup> Winter Break

#### Practice SAT Back Again!

The Class of 2017 will once again be sponsoring practice SAT administrations this year! Our partners at <u>Sylvan Learning</u> <u>Center of Sugar Land</u> 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). Remaining dates for administrations with results nights will be: <u>October 29<sup>th</sup>:</u> Results Night for Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> Practice Administration – 6:00pm and 6:30pm (choose one) – THS Library <u>November 14<sup>th</sup>:</u> Practice SAT Test #2 – 7:30am until 12:30pm

- THS Auditorium

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

"I invite everyone to choose forgiveness rather than division, teamwork over personal ambition." - Jean-Francois Cope

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

| DATE                               | EVENT  | NOTES   |
|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Friday<br>October 30, 2015         | LAST DAY TO CHANGE A<br>LEVEL AND/OR DROP A<br>COURSE FOR STUDY<br>HALL, OFF CAMPUS<br>(SENIOR ONLY)<br>OR OFFICE AIDE<br>(JUNIOR OR SENIOR ONLY)<br>LAST OPPORTUNITY TO<br>DROP A FULL YEAR<br>COURSE | LAST OPPORTUNITY<br>TO DROP A FULL YEAR COURSE                              |
| TUESDAY<br>JANUARY <b>19, 2016</b> | LAST DAY TO CHANGE TO A<br>NEW COURSE<br>(1 SEMESTER ONLY)   | These changes will only occur if there is an error in the student schedule. |
| FRIDAY<br>March 11, 2016           | For Spring Semester<br>CLASSES ONLY (I.E., HEALTH)<br>LAST DAY TO CHANGE A LEVEL<br>AND/OR DROP A SPRING<br>SEMESTER COURSE FOR A<br>NON-CREDIT CLASS<br>(I.E., STUDY HALL)                            | REMINDER:<br>Full Year Courses<br>Had to be dropped by<br>OCTOBER 30, 2015  |

#### Travis Tiger Marching Band Poinsettia Fundraiser 2015



This holiday season the Travis Tiger Marching Band is selling red and white poinsettias from Enchanted Gardens

Poinsettias are \$11/ each Checks should be made payable to THS TBBC ORDERS AND MONEY ARE DUE BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16th Delivery will be Wednesday, December 2nd Every student sells a minimum of 5 plants

For questions contact Linda O'Leary at lindavoleary@gmail.com



Poinsettias are 16"-18" tall in 6.5" foil covered pots

#### Help NJROTC Support Our Troops!

The William B. Travis Cadet Parent Association and the cadets of the THS MCJROTC program are raising funds for Wreaths Across America Houston, an organization that needs our support in its effort to place a live Maine wreath upon all of the 59,000-plus fallen heroes' gravesites at the Houston National Cemetery. With help, the group can honor all of our veterans, one wreath at a time. To support our team and our cause, <u>Click Here</u>!

#### Important Yearbook Info!

Students and parents can purchase advertising space as well as yearbooks at <u>www.smart-pay.com</u>. Once on Smart Pay's website, enter Travis High School's location information (Texas and Richmond) then select Travis High School. You can purchase a yearbook, personal and business advertisements, and other accessories for your yearbook. Please secure your ad spot early as the yearbook has a limited number of pages dedicated to advertisements. Once you make payment; please submit your photos and copy to the yearbook staff in room J210 or mail them to the attention of Ms. Lightfoot. The yearbook staff reserves the right to refuse any photo or copy deemed inappropriate for publication. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Staci Lightfoot, the yearbook adviser.

# For THS Class of 2018 - Fundraiser:

Don't forget to sell your gourmet popcorn and turn in your order forms with all monies collected to the parent volunteer scheduled to be in the Commons during all lunches on Wednesday, October 28, and Thursday, October 29. Questions? Please contact Ms. Christine Heath at <u>christine.heath@fortbendisd.com</u> or Ms. Liza Knight at <u>liza.knight@fortbendisd.com</u>.

# Be Careful, Drivers!

If your student drives to and from school, please counsel them on being safe as they do so. We have received calls from concerned parents and other drivers that our students are driving recklessly, most often on the way to school in the mornings. Please encourage your student to obey all signs, traffic signals and speed limits. We have also heard concerns about students pulling into the intersection at Grand Parkway and Harlem, blocking the feeder road after the light has turned red. As always, we want our students to be safe and drive defensively!

# JUNIOR MIXER TIME!

On November 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00pm, the Class of '17 will be hosting the <u>First Annual Junior Mixer</u> at Clancy's Public House (504 FM 359 in Richmond). We will be serving light appetizers as we host silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased from Ms. McAnelly's room (C119) starting November 16<sup>th</sup>. Come join the fun and bid for awesome one-of-a-kind items: autographed memorabilia, free dinner with a local celebrity, dinner with your favorite teacher, Houston Texans tickets and MUCH MORE!!!

#### New Travis Website is Going LIVE!!!

We are excited to let our parents and students know that our NEW campus website will go live this Wednesday! For the past few months, our administrators, teachers and other staff members have worked hard to build a new dynamic communication tool for our campus. We are confident you will find the ease of navigation and integration into the structure of the District's website a huge asset as you search for campus and teacher information. To access our website, go to www.fortbendisd.com/ths.

Some of the new features include:

- Translation tool that allows the website to be viewed in more than 25 different languages
- A Search feature that will allow you to find information more quickly on the THS website
- **Global Icons**, in the upper right-hand corner, that appear on every webpage and help users navigate quickly to our most-used functions
- **Group tabs** which house timely information for Community, Parents and Students
- A **Main Menu bar** that will quickly direct you to the information you're seeking through drop-down menus
- Rotating images, showcasing the wonderful things going on and about
- Upcoming Events, Quick Links, our Twitter Feed, Announcements, Headlines & Features all to keep you upto-date on THS happenings

Our website is a vital communication tool, and the new site was designed to keep you informed. Thank you for your continued support, and please let us know what you think of the new Travis High School website.

