

## TRAVIS TIGER CODE OF CONDUCT

BE RESPONSIBLE  
BE RESPECTFUL  
BE SAFE  
BE READY TO LEARN

### This Week in Tiger Land

#### Monday, February 6th

Happy Monday!

#### Tuesday, February 7th

Tiger Tuesday Theme Day: Tie Dye! Tie up Kempner!

Letter Jacket fittings during all lunches

Girls' Soccer @ Bush (4:30/6:30pm)

Boys' Soccer vs. Bush (4:30/6:30pm)

Girls' Basketball @ Kempner (4:00/5:30/7:00pm)

Boys' Varsity Basketball vs. Kempner (4:00/5:30/7:00pm)

#### Wednesday, February 8th

College Wear Wednesday

NHS Induction Ceremony (7:00pm)

#### Thursday, February 9th

Sub-varsity Track Meet @ Travis (4:00pm)

#### Friday, February 10th

Game Day Spirit Theme: Red Out!

Pep Rally—PM Activity Schedule

Boys' Basketball vs. Clements (4:00/5:30/7:00pm)

Girls' Soccer vs. Hightower (4:30/6:30pm)

Boys' Soccer vs. Hightower @ Hall Stadium (4:30/6:30pm)

#### Saturday, February 11th

Project TEaM

# **108 DAYS**

**UNTIL GRADUATION FOR THE THS CLASS  
OF 2017!!!**

***"CREATIVITY TAKES COURAGE."***

**- HENRI MATISSE**

Have questions about date/time for a school event? Want to know what's for lunch tomorrow? Want to purchase a parking permit?

[CLICK HERE](#) to go to our website for all this and more!

If you would like to submit an announcement for addition to this newsletter, [CLICK HERE](#).

Submit announcements for this newsletter [HERE](#).

## **THS 2016-17 THEME**

### **"BE THE ONE..."**

### **IMPORTANT: Student Arrival Changes**

Please note that we have altered the traffic flow in the parent drop-off driveway in front of the school. For details on the changes that have been made, please [click here](#).

### **Technical Education Center Application**

Attention all current 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders. Would you like to take a course in Automotive, Computer Technology, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Fire Fighting, Hospitality and Tourism or Welding at our Center? Our application will be available from January 17, 2017 through February 17, 2017 at 3:00 pm.

Click here to apply: <https://secure.fortbendisd.com/techedapp/> Additional Information at: [www.fortbendisd.com/tec](http://www.fortbendisd.com/tec)

### **AP Exam Registration 2017**

AP Online Exam Registration is now open. Registration ends on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Late Registration will begin on March 1<sup>st</sup> and end on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Use the following link to complete online registration: [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/445848](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/445848)

This year each AP exam costs \$93.00. William B. Travis High School desires that every student be able to take their AP exams. Students requiring financial assistance should contact Ms. Metoyer, [carlete.metoyer@fortbendisd.com](mailto:carlete.metoyer@fortbendisd.com), in the Travis Counseling Office to learn more.

### **Roaring Ahead!**

February 17th—Early Release Day

February 20th—Staff Development/Student Holiday

February 26th—Senior Serve

March 11th—SAT

March 13th-17th—Spring Break

March 28th—English I STAAR EOC

March 30th—English II STAAR EOC

April 3rd & 4th—Letter Jacket Fittings

# **TIGER TRACKS**

**TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER**

**ISSUE #157**

**FEBRUARY 6TH, 2017**

### **AMBUSH 2017-18**

Are you the parent of a current sophomore or junior? If so, then don't let them miss out on an amazing opportunity! Applications to become an Ambush mentor for next year have been sent to all current 10th and 11th graders via Naviance. This is a great opportunity for your student to gain some excellent leadership experience, make connections with other student leaders and help set the standard for our newest group of TRAVIS TIGERS, the Class of 2021!!!

### **FAFSA Workshop**

There will be a FAFSA workshop offered to all FBISD students/parents at Hightower HS this Thursday, February 9th from 5:30-7:30pm.

### **Parent Booster Meetings**

Athletic Boosters—Monday @ 7:00pm  
ProGrad—Tuesday @ 6:30pm  
JROTC Boosters—Tuesday @ 7:00pm

### **PTO Needs Your Help!**

PTO would like to say, "Happy Valentine's Day" to our wonderful teachers and staff. Please see [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up or contact us at [travishspto@gmail.com](mailto:travishspto@gmail.com). PTO Pizza Sales happening next Wednesday, Feb. 15th. Like us on Facebook at William B Travis High School PTO and follow us on Twitter @travis\_pto.

### **SENIOR SERVE 2017**

We are **SO** excited to start gearing up for this year's Senior Serve Event! The fun-filled evening will take place at Travis in the commons area on

***Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.***

Senior Serve is an exciting evening where seniors create themed tables and sell tickets for a sit down dinner! The seniors will be the waiters for their guests! In addition to creating themed tables, a dessert will be provided that matches the theme! The dessert will be part of the fundraising as well, as it will be auctioned off!

Tickets for the event will be sold for \$25 per person. This ticket will provide a dinner with 2 entrees salad and bread provided by Lomonte's Italian Restaurant. Each table seats 10 guests! This will help you plan out your table arrangements!

There will also be music and some light entertainment as well as a Silent and Live Auction!

This is one of Project Graduation's (Pro Grad) biggest fundraisers! Therefore, we would like to present a challenge to all Organizations at Travis High School to support a table for your Senior Members. You will have the same opportunity to decorate your table or tables in a theme your group chooses. The only exception will be if it's already taken you'll have to choose another. There is a maximum limit of 10 persons per group.

Seniors please sign up with your group for your theme as soon as possible. This can be done during the week at lunches starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>. You may also sign up at the Pro-Grad meetings. Keep your themes a secret! Sign up fast as we will only allow one group to use a theme! Example book is available to view at lunches!

For further information, please contact Julie Goodwin 713-206-1569 ([mjjrgood@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mjjrgood@sbcglobal.net)) or Paula Finlayson 832-451-7800 ([paulafin67@att.net](mailto:paulafin67@att.net)) Paula and I look forward to working with you all on this fun event!

**<<<<<< ADDITIONAL TIGER BUCK OPPORTUNITY >>>>>>**





## TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TAKING PROBLEM-SOLVING TO THE NEXT LEVEL, FEB. 11!

*Documentary to be filmed while students work to make a difference  
where it matters most to them.*

FORT BEND ISD, TX (Jan. 20, 2017) – Students at **William B. Travis High School** are taking on an ambitious assignment called **Project TEaM**, Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. This event will bring together a portion of the 2,600 students for a day of painting the school's first floor in its spirit colors – scarlet, gray and white.

Heading up this student-led event is senior and award-winning filmmaker Danish Nelson. "TEaM stands for Travis Extreme Makeover," said Nelson. "Our goal from the very beginning was to make this a community-wide, collaborative project. Therefore, the result was to build a 'TEaM.'"

The idea for this project was the result of a student climate survey given during the 2015-2016 school year. "Our students were vocal when it came to the look of our school's interior colors of blue, rust, grey, green, brown and tan," said Travis High School Principal Julie Diaz. "They believed our halls should represent our school spirit."

"We spend eight hours a day, five days a week, for 40 weeks, in a school that is just plain drab," said Nelson. "If we are going to spend so much time in a single place each year, for four years, it should be a place that we enjoy, that inspires us, that makes us happy – a place we can be proud to show off when we have visitors."

Diaz and her team of administrators did look into the cost of having the interior of the building professionally painted earlier this school year. When the quote exceeded \$100,000 Diaz turned to her students and said, "So what, now what?"

"Our primary job as educators is to build future leaders," said Diaz. "One way to do this is to model for our students. Teaching our students how to problem solve life's issues may be one of the most important activities we can do to foster success in college and the professional world. If you want something, you must take action. Project TEaM was their idea and is their way of making a difference within their own community."

Nelson, under the direction of Travis High School Arts/AV instructor Vince Beck, will be filming the day's events that showcase the hundreds of students, teachers, parents and other community members who come together to achieve this goal. "Project TEaM is going to be a transformation unlike any other," said Nelson. "We want to combine stop-motion/time-lapse with live action, hands-on views of the pure magnitude of the project."

"Our purpose is not to make films," said Beck. "Our purpose is to make films with purpose. This film will show the scope of the project and the drive of our students to complete a real-life task."

The film will be turned around in three days to share with the public.

Once the District's administration approved the project, students moved quickly. "Our senior math class calculated the square footage to be painted," said Diaz. "Sherwin-Williams estimated the cost would be approximately \$7,500 in paint and supplies to make this a reality. They agreed to donate \$1,500 of paint, but of course, that leaves us short \$6,000 to complete the extreme makeover plan. Our students and staff are currently looking into additional fundraising options."

The day of the event, students will be taking on various tasks including the preparation work and the painting of the walls. School staff members are also assisting wherever they can - helping with event logistics, coordinating the student painters, reaching out to members of the community and more.

Nelson's hope for his film is that others will see Travis High School as a special place to be. "We are going to show the world that when our students see something wrong, we will work together to make it right," said Nelson.

"When we turn them loose and empower them, students come up with some of the most amazing solutions to problems," said Diaz. "I am beyond proud of these student LEADERS. This is more than about getting a building painted. In a world where it's easier to act entitled, get lost in digital screens, and let somebody else figure out solutions, they have stepped up and acted. Who says kids can't or don't want to make a difference?"

Businesses or members of the community who would like to make contributions in the form of goods or time, please contact Allison Hill at [Allison.Hill@fortbendisd.com](mailto:Allison.Hill@fortbendisd.com).

To make a cash donation towards Project TEaM, please visit <https://goo.gl/XyqUkt> or, on the Travis High School website, use the Online Payments –THS Web Store link to access the Travis Project TEaM donation button.