




# Hardin-Houston Elementary 2024 Newsletter

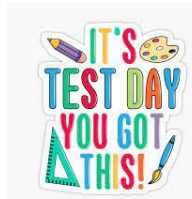


## Important Wildcat Dates

3/7: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Music Program 7:00pm   
3/8: Last day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks  
3/8: HS Softball Team's Dodgeball Tournament for grades 5-12  
(Please see below for times and drop-off/pick-up)  
3/9: 9:00am ABC Program for 3-5 year olds  
3/9: Destination Imagination competes at Sinclair  
3/11: 4<sup>th</sup> Nine Weeks begins  
3/15: CATS Reward Day

## State Testing Dates: ELA

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: March 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade: March 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>



HHS Softball Team is hosting a Dodgeball Tournament for students in grades 5-12 on March 8<sup>th</sup>. ALL students must go home after school on this day, and can return NO EARLIER than 4:45pm. Students will need to be picked up NO LATER than 7:00pm.



## 2024-2024 HH Kindergarten Screening & Registration

Hardin Houston Local School District will be conducting their Kindergarten Screening and Registration on April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup>. This will take place at the school (5300 Houston Road, Houston) from 8:30am to 2:00pm. Screenings will occur every 30 minutes. Kindergarten screening is for students who will turn 5 years old on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>. To sign-up for the HH Kindergarten Screening, simply go to our website ([www.hardinhouston.org](http://www.hardinhouston.org)), and follow the link from the home page. If you have questions, call our main office at (937)295-3010.

Please remember to bring the following: Birth Certificate-Certified Copy, copy of legal documents, if custody is involved, and Immunization Records-5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, Chicken Pox, and a Hepatitis B series (3)-Or be willing to sign a wavier

## Principal's Message



March is here! It brings the beginning of the last nine weeks of the year. It always seems that upon the arrival of March, the end of the year comes very quickly. We still have a lot of learning to do in these last 10 weeks. I know that once the weather gets warmer and the days get longer, it is harder to get the kids to stay focused on their schoolwork. Our teachers try not to overburden their students with homework, but please keep encouraging them to put effort into their studies. They will soon have tons of free time. State testing begins the last week of March. Please check to see when your child is testing (students on IEPs may have a different schedule) and make every effort to have him or her in school those days. They always perform their best when they test with their own teachers. Remember to check on your child's grades and contact teachers if you have any concerns for the end of the year. Enjoy spring as it warms its way into your lives!



-Mrs. Roseberry

## Counselor's CORNER

If you have any questions or concerns about what your child is learning, please don't hesitate to contact me at [ameyer@hardinhouston.org](mailto:ameyer@hardinhouston.org) or (937) 295-3010 ex. 1002

Thank you to all the parents out there that continue to support your child's growth through our Second Step Program. Your continued help is making a difference. Completing the homework that your child brings home provides extra practice needed to help create positive habits. Keep completing the homework with your child!

Most grade levels are finished with the social and emotional learning component of the *Second Step* Program. Students are moving into the Bullying Prevention series that helps them understand the definition of bullying and know what to do using the 3R's (Recognize, Refuse, and Report). Students will also have the opportunity to learn about Bystander Power. See the definition of bullying below.

### Four Key Parts to this Definition:

1. Doesn't Stop
2. Repeated
3. One-Sided
4. Purpose/Power



Here is what is happening in your child's grade.

**K-5** students will be finishing up the Bullying Prevention series. By the end of March, students in grades K-2 will start the Child Protection Unit. A letter will come home closer to the end of the month to provide you with the activation key and link at [SecondStep.org](http://SecondStep.org). This provides you with more information about what your child is learning during these lessons.

**6<sup>th</sup> grade** students are continuing the SAVE Students Act. They had their first lesson on Suicide Prevention and we will look at covering Violence Prevention and Social Inclusion in our next two lessons.

**Young 5** students are continuing to work on problem solving and they will start to learn about character education as we finish up the year.



# WILDCAT HAPPENINGS



**student  
COUNCIL**

It's FUNDRAISER time! The elementary student council will be hosting their annual Festive Fundraiser! This is definitely a favorite among our students!

## FESTIVE FUNDRAISER

Student Council will be hosting a festive fundraiser the week of **March 11-15<sup>th</sup>**. The money Student Council raises this year will be used to make welcome kits for new students and to purchase rewards for our students. As an elementary, our goal is to raise \$1600. If we reach our goal, each grade level will earn extra recess time. In addition, a prize will be given to the classes that collect the most money each day. The week's details are as follows:

**\*STUDENTS MUST RESPECT TEACHER AND SCHOOL RULES WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT\***

### MONDAY (11<sup>TH</sup>): GUM DAY

Chew gum throughout the day. \$1.00

### TUESDAY (12<sup>TH</sup>): ANYTHING BUT A BOOKBAG DAY

Bring your books to school in anything but a book bag. \$1.00

### WEDNESDAY (13<sup>TH</sup>): WEAR PAJAMAS OR DRESS LIKE TEACHER DAY

Wear appropriate pajamas or dress like a teacher for the day. \$1.00

### Thursday (13<sup>th</sup>): KONA ICE DURING LUNCH

Bring money and/or souvenir cup to school. \$3, \$5, \$7

### FRIDAY (15<sup>th</sup>): SODA DAY

Bring money to purchase pop at lunch.

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## 2024-2025 Preschool

The Typical Screening application for next year's preschool students will be available online starting at 8:00am on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The application can be accessed at <http://www.shelbydd.org>.

If you have any questions, please email [ekerns@shelbydd.org](mailto:ekerns@shelbydd.org).

Talk about a fun Friday!

Mrs. Phipps' 1st grade class had a very special PETS lesson today. 5th grade students came to her room with Mrs. Hager to share stories about a fictional island they created. Mrs. Phipps' 1st grade class LOVED all of the stories and they cannot wait to create their own stories.



Hello, Heart Heroes! Are you ready?! Kids Heart Challenge is coming to our school soon! We have exciting things planned this year to get us moving, helping others, and having fun. Get a head start by signing up today and helping your student choose a daily health challenge. Jump Rope for Heart event is Thursday, March 21, 2024.

