



# April 2019 Newsletter

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31	1	2 3rd Grade Field Trip	3	4	5 Visit our <b>BOOK FAIR!</b>	6	
7	8 Visit our <b>BOOK FAIR!</b>	9 4th Grade STAAR Writing (Campus Closed)	10 Visit our <b>BOOK FAIR!</b>	11 Spirit Night @ MOD Pizza  1st Grade Music Program	12 Visit our <b>BOOK FAIR!</b>	13 Early Childhood Fair	
14	15 Kindergarten Registration Begins	16 PTO Meeting  Picture Day! 	17	18	19 Student Holiday 	20	
21	22 Student Holiday 				25	26 April and May Birthday Book Club	27
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## Important Details:



### April 11

MOD Pizza has upped the fun for our spirit night! We will be competing in the battle of the schools!! Which ever school has the best turn out for their spirit night will get an additional 10%!! That's 30% of sales for the night!! Don't forget this is an all day event from 10:30am-10pm!! Tell your friends, neighbors...and most importantly don't forget to take the flyer and tell them you are there to support HOUSER!!



**April 3-4** - Class Preview Days

**April 5** - Book Fair OPEN for shopping

**April 8-12** - Book Fair OPEN for shopping

**EXCEPT APRIL 9 - Closed for STAAR**

**April 10-11** - Lunch with a Loved One

**April 11** - Book Fair OPEN at night - come shop after work! Open from 5:30 - 7:00



### April 22-26

Spirit WEEK at Outback Steakhouse!

# A Note From Your Principal

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Don't forget that breakfast is served at our school each day. **This is a message from our CISD Child Nutrition Department:** School breakfast will give your child a healthy start to the day. A nutritious breakfast helps students be more alert so they can learn more in class. Breakfast has vitamins and nutrients for a strong and healthy body.

Breakfast at school is affordable at only \$1.35. If you qualify for free and reduced price meals, you also qualify for the breakfast program, with no additional paperwork. You can't find a healthy breakfast at such a low cost anywhere else. Help your child start the day right with school breakfast!

For more information about the meals served at Houser, please visit:

<http://www.conroeisd.net/department/child-nutrition/> There is also a link on our Houser homepage.

**Our campus will be closed to visitors on Tuesday, April 9 as the 4th grade students are administered the STAAR writing test.**

## Corner

### Assistant Principals'

Help Your Child Succeed in School

*School success goes hand in hand with being in school every day!*

Did You Know?

- Many absences, even in kindergarten, can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing just a day or two every month can make it harder to learn to read by the third grade.
- Students with too many absences struggle to catch up, even with take-home assignments.
- All families have hopes and dreams for their children. Being in school every day will enable children to do well in school, and graduate from high school ready for work or college.

What Can You Do?

- Develop a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Help your child lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Avoid missing school unless a child is truly sick and seek help if chronic illness is a challenge.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other families for advice on how to make her feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Reach out to a family member, a neighbor, or another parent if you are having trouble getting your student to school.
- Arrange medical appointments when school is not in session.
- Avoid extended vacations when school is in session.

From [www.attendanceworks.org](http://www.attendanceworks.org)

Your Assistant Principals,  
Kelly Garvin and Robby Cantu

We are living in an increasingly diverse world, and this is a wonderful gift. Our children attend schools with children who are much different than they are. We all want children to grow up in a world free from bias and discrimination, to reach for their dreams and feel that whatever they want to accomplish in life is possible. We want them to feel loved and included and never to experience the pain of rejection or exclusion. This leads us to the questions, how can parent's best prepare their children to meet the challenges and reap the benefits of the increasingly diverse world they live in today?

What does it mean to be a parent raising a child in this diverse world? Where can parent's start? Children do not come with instructions, but they do come with open minds. I am going to share with you several ways you can teach your child about cultural diversity and the value of differences.

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1. Select foods from different countries to eat together. If you are at a restaurant, pay attention to the details. For example, the music playing in the background. This is a delicious way to introduce kids to new cultures.
2. Attend community cultural events that celebrate other cultures. Most Communities have free to low-cost cultural events.
3. Spin a globe and point out faraway lands. If a globe is not available, use a world map. This allows opportunity for children to ask questions and engage in discussion.
4. Watch movies that introduce new places. Films are a great way to get a peek at different cultures.
5. Visit your local library and explore through literature. You can look for books that explore different places. Also, look for books that have characters of a different race, or characters with disabilities.
6. The best way to teach your child about cultural diversity is to let them see you as accepting and tolerant. Your children will imitate you, so in order to teach your child about cultural diversity, you as parents need to figure out what your beliefs are about this topic.

As our nation grows increasingly diverse, there has never been a better opportunity for us to learn to live respectfully together and benefit from one another's wisdom and experiences. The more that children have a solid grounding and understanding about who they are and where they came from, the more they learn to move with grace and confidence among communities different from their own, and the closer we get to building a world of respect, curiosity, sharing, and humanity.

## Clinic News

Allergy season is upon us. Everything is yellow with pollen. If your child has seasonal allergies and their asthma has them coughing and wheezing. Please let me know if they will be needing to use their inhalers on a daily basis at school.

If you received a vision or hearing referral form and did not return it to school, please do so. If you received a referral but did not take your child to a doctor for financial reason, please let me know. Lion's club does help with glasses for families that qualify. Also, if you have Medicaid or CHIPs, they will pay for an eye exam yearly.

Fourth grade will be getting their blood pressure checked. Any student who's blood pressure is high will be rechecked a few days later. We will send home a note if their blood pressure is still high so you can follow up with your doctor.

If your child has come home with clothes that were borrowed from the clinic, please wash them & return them to the clinic. Also as a reminder, it is a good idea to have an extra set of clothes in their backpack in case of an accident.

