

Y HUMBLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ★ AUGUST 2025

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Learning Beyond the Classroom Walls: Teacher uses soccer to teach reading, writing and math





# Superintendent's View

By Dr. Roger Brown

Welcome to a new school year filled with fresh opportunities, renewed purpose, and the chance to do something extraordinary

together. Before anything else, I want to say thank you. Thank you to the teachers and staff who show up each day with energy and care. Thank you to the families who trust us with their children. And thank you to the entire Humble ISD community for believing in what public education can be. The start of a school year is always full of possibility, and that is especially true here in Humble ISD.

That possibility becomes real when we look at the lives of the students who have walked our hallways and taken what they've learned into the world. Our Class of 2025 included more than 3,700 students who were offered \$38.8 million in scholarships. Our graduates are making their mark across our state and nation. For example, students who ranked in the Top 10 at our six high schools

AC Entry Level; Adobe Certified Professional Illustrator; Cosmetology Operator License; Elanco Veterinary Medical Applications Certification; Patient Care Technician; and Pharmacy Technician – just to name a few examples.

Humble ISD students outperformed the state and national average on the SAT. Humble ISD students scored an average of 1040 compared to the state average of 971 and the national average of 1024.

The work of education is complex, and while many students excel, we also recognize that our STAAR scores are not yet where we believe they can be. We are committed to ensuring our students are taught Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) in reading, writing, math, science and social studies and can show academic growth on STAAR.

Growth has been made in just one year! We anticipate that about 15 campuses will move up a letter grade in the state school accountability ratings from 2024 to 2025. We have a clear plan and strong



Dr. Brown visits a Spanish class at Woodcreek Middle School on one of his frequent visits to campuses.

will be attending: Baylor, Belmont, BYU, Clemson, Duke, Full Sail, LSU, NYU, Rice, Sam Houston, SMU, Southwestern University, Texas A&M, Trinity University, University of California-San Diego, University of Florida, University of Houston, UNT, UT-Austin, UTSA and Vanderbilt.

"Focus on the Good" is our theme for the 2025-2026 school year and there is a lot to celebrate! Our students in grades 9-12 earned a total of 37,742 college credits last year through dual credit, dual enrollment, and Advanced Placement. Our high school students earned a total of 1,541 industry-based certifications. These certifications include: American Welding Society D9.1 Sheet Metal; Automotive Service Excellence Heating, Ventilation

leadership in place to continue improving student success across the district.

Most importantly, we have incredible teachers working every day to help students grow. To meet our new Chief Academic Officer and learn more about how we are supporting student academic success every step of the way, turn to page 4.

In other important news, the Texas Legislature passed several new laws this past session that will impact our campuses. One of the most notable changes involves our policy on personal communication devices such as smartphones, tablets and smart watches. For a closer look at Humble ISD's new policy and what it means for students, see page 9.



Dr. Brown shares a book with students at Centennial Elementary School.

Of course, there's more to this year than new policies. We always want to "Focus on the Good" and take pride in the many ways our students and staff shine. On pages 16 and 17, you'll find a powerful photo essay highlighting our state championship athletes and a celebration of the incredible accomplishments of our fine arts programs.

For a glimpse of creative teaching in action, turn to page 13 to see how a kindergarten class wrote to professional women's soccer teams to build literacy skills. And on page 19, you can learn about an exciting new addition to Career and Technical Education, a dental certification program that opens new doors for students.

I am deeply honored to serve Humble ISD and to work with our talented educators, staff, students, and community. Together as a team, we will build on our successes and meet our challenges with resilience and optimism. As I often say – it is not about me, it is about we – and I cannot imagine being part of a better team and community. Thank you for being part of this incredible journey.

Dr. Roger Brown has more than 40 years of experience in public education and was named Humble ISD's Superintendent in 2025. He is a proud University of Oklahoma graduate. He and his wife Lonia have been married for more than 40 years and have three adult children and seven grandchildren. Four of their grandchildren are Humble ISD students. Dr. Brown enjoys running. He has completed more than 100 marathons!

On the Cover: Summerwood Kindergarten teacher Ashley Shirey, a graduate of Atascocita High School, is pictured with students and items sent to them from pro women's soccer teams from around the world. In the middle, a student is holding a signed photo of Arsenal (London) star defender Lotte Wubben-Moy. Each student wrote letters to their teams as part of the Women's Soccer Around the World Project.

# Welcome from Our School Board President

## **By Marques Holmes**

Students are at the heart of everything we do. Each one deserves someone in their corner, someone who will advocate and fight for their success. I would not be where I am today without the village that poured into me: my parents, extended family, teachers, principals, coaches, and counselors. Because they invested in me, I choose to invest my time and heart into the students of Humble ISD.

My commitment to service and community is deeply rooted in my upbringing. I have my parents to thank for showing me what it means to truly pay it forward. I was raised in a home where volunteering was the norm, not the exception. My father and two uncles served in the United States Army, modeling what it means to give of yourself for something greater than your own self-interest. Those values continue to shape me.



"Humble ISD must stay focused on one core value: **Students First**."

Mr. Holmes visits with students and staff at the Humble High School International Baccalaureate Collaborative Science Symposium.

Our role as a Board is not to run the day-to-day operations of the district, but to govern with clarity, purpose, and accountability. We set the vision, establish district goals, approve the budget, and hold the superintendent accountable for results. We are a team. We may have differing views and ideas about how to achieve those goals, but we are elected to represent the students, parents, and community members of Humble ISD. We take that responsibility seriously.

We educate about 48,500 students. While many are thriving, we must not lose sight of those who need more support. No student should be overlooked or undervalued. Every child should have the opportunity to grow, learn, and reach their fullest potential. Every student, no matter where they are on their educational journey, deserves our full attention and support. This belief guides every decision we make as Trustees. Yes, this is a volunteer role, but we do not take lightly the significance of this position or the dedication it demands.

That means aligning the district's work with meaningful goals, ensuring resources are focused on instruction, and partnering effectively with school and community leadership to create a culture that fosters safety, trust, and learning. Our students must feel safe. Our teachers must feel heard. And our systems must support growth and innovation.

In my career as a leader in the technology sector and in leadership consulting, I have found that real progress happens when open dialogue is encouraged and everyone is aligned around a goal greater than themselves. Humble ISD must stay focused on one core value: Students First.

I believe in this district. I believe in our people. And I believe the best is yet to come. There will be hard work ahead, and we are capable of it. With shared focus, honest conversations, and a commitment to putting students first in every decision, we will move forward together.

Let's stay focused. Let's stay united. And let's keep our eyes on the students.



# Board of Trustees



## **Marques Holmes, President**

National Director for a technology company. Son attended West Lake Middle School and is now entering high school as a freshman. Daughter graduated from Atascocita High School. Serves on Trustee Board for Global Outreach Community Church.



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Served as F-15 pilot and T-38 instructor in the U.S. Air Force. Retired United Airlines pilot. Former UNLV Adjunct Instructor teaching Business and Casino Management. Married to Humble ISD elementary school teacher. Daughter attends Kingwood High School. Two adult children; grandparent to six.



## **Robert Scarfo, Secretary**

Managing Director of Credit Services for Insperity. Board Member of The Village Centers. Thirteen years of experience serving on the Humble ISD School Board. Served in leadership roles on 2018, 2008 and 2005 Bond Study Committees.



## Oscar Silva, Parliamentarian

Corporate trainer in the financial industry. Parent to five children: three Humble ISD graduates, a son enrolled in an Humble ISD middle school, and a son who will be entering kindergarten in a few years. Serves on the Dream Team Scholarship Board, which awards scholarships to Humble ISD graduates.



# **Elizabeth Shaw, Member**

Business strategy consultant. Daughter and son graduated from Kingwood High School and youngest daughter is a KHS senior. Board member for National Christian Foundation-Houston, Lifesong for Orphans, and myLIFESpeaks.



# **Chris Parker, Member**

Licensed insurance agent, insurance trainer, and small business owner. First Kingwood High School graduate to serve on the School Board. Married to Humble High School graduate. Longtime community volunteer and mother to two daughters who attend Kingwood High School.



## Ken Kirchhofer, Member

Director of Operations for Atascocita Golf Club, PGA Member, and employer of Humble ISD students. Son, daughter-in-law, and daughter all graduated from Atascocita High School. One grandson and expecting a second grandchild in December.



To learn more about each of the Humble ISD Board of Trustees visit **humbleisd.net/board** or scan the QR code.



**Melissa Hayhurst** Humble ISD Chief Academic Officer

# Supporting Teachers Every Step of the Way: Meet Our New Chief Academic Officer

**Melissa Hayhurst** was named Chief Academic Officer for Humble ISD in January 2025. With 35 years of service in the district as a teacher, principal, and administrator, she brings both depth of experience and a clear vision for the future of teaching and learning. In this Q&A, Hayhurst shares insights into her leadership approach, priorities, and what academic success means for students across the district.

# • What's your top priority as Chief Academic Officer?

Hayhurst: Simply put, the top priority of the Teaching and Learning team is to help every student succeed. That starts with making sure every teacher, on every campus, has what they need to teach effectively, starting with a clear, consistent curriculum.



Humble ISD students entering the 5th grade participate in an Emergent Bilingual Science Camp at Jack M. Fields Sr. Elementary in July of 2025.

# Q: What should teachers know about the support they'll get?

Hayhurst: We're focused on doing more for campuses, not to them. In January, a curriculum framework was provided for STAAR courses and their respective lead-in courses. This framework breaks down the content into units that highlight the most important concepts and learning goals for each part of the course, along with a planning guide that suggests pacing and helps teachers stay on track throughout the year. This gives teachers

clarity on what to teach, while still giving them the freedom to decide how to teach in a way that works for their students. The curriculum is continually refined to stay aligned with state standards and to keep lessons rigorous, engaging and relevant.

But the curriculum is just one part. Teaching and Learning includes a team of specialists who support instructional coaches and teachers throughout the year. They help write curriculum, plan lessons, model instruction in classrooms, co-teach when needed, and provide targeted professional development. Their job is to make sure teachers never feel like they're doing it all on their own.

When curriculum, coaching, and training all work together, teachers can focus on what matters most: helping students learn and grow. That's the everyday mission of the Teaching and Learning team.

# Q. How have your past roles shaped how you lead?

**Hayhurst:** My time as a teacher and principal keeps me grounded in what really matters. It reminds me that the best solutions come from listening and making sure our work at the district level is guided by the voices and needs of our campuses. That's how real progress happens – together.

# What does "academic success" mean to you?

**Hayhurst:** As a high school teacher and assistant principal, I was focused on graduation. But students' lives don't stop there. That's where College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR) comes in. It challenges us to think beyond high school.

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# helping students learn and grow."



Kingwood Middle School 8th Grade History Teacher, Social Studies Instructional Coach and Cheer Coach Kelly Wells works with students during the school year on an assignment.

What I have learned is academic success isn't just one outcome. It means students should leave us with real opportunities, a clear sense of direction, and the tools to get where they want to go. Not every student follows the same path, and success doesn't look the same for everyone. It's no longer just high school to college. It's about preparing them for life and empowering them to build their own future.

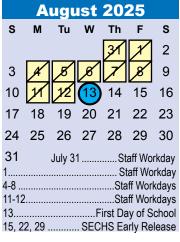


# Humble ISD 2025-2026 Calendar

#### **Regular School Day Hours:**

Elementary School: 7:55 a.m.- 3:20 p.m. Middle School: 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. High School: 7:25 a.m.- 2:55 p.m.

> Sconzo ECHS: Mon.-Thurs. 7:30 a.m.- 3 p.m. (SECHS) Fri. 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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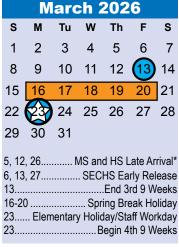
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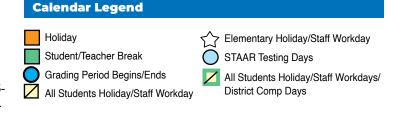




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# **Inclement Weather Days: February 9 and 10** May become school days if time is lost to bad weather.

\*Late Arrival and Early Release Days are subject to change. Escanee el código QR para ver el calendario académico del 2025-2026 de Humble ISD en español.



# SECHS has Early Release on Fridays at 1 p.m. **Humble ISD** BY THE NUMBERS 48,00 **Student Enrollment Employees** Campuses High **Early College** Middle Elementary **High School Schools Schools Schools Early Childhood Community Learning** Center Center

Otherwise, will be Student/Teacher Break.

Late Arrival Thursdays for Middle School: First Bell at 10:05 a.m.

Late Arrival Thursdays for High School: First Bell at 9:25 a.m.

# Recursos de Humble ISD para Familias de Habla Hispana

Humble ISD ofrece recursos para ayudar a los padres de habla hispana a mantenerse informados sobre actualizaciones, eventos y anuncios importantes:

• Boletín Electrónico en Español:

"Camino al Conocimiento" es un boletín electrónico mensual que incluye anuncios, noticias, recursos e información sobre eventos de Humble ISD en español. Puede ver el boletín en humbleisd.net/page/camino-al-conocimiento.

• Podcast Bilingüe:

"Ask an Expert" es un pódcast bilingüe semanal que comparte información sobre iniciativas del distrito, consejos académicos, programas,

seguridad y más. Puede escuchar los episodios en humbleisd.net/askanexpert.

• Traducción del Sitio Web:

¿Sabía que puede traducir al español la información en el sitio web de Humble ISD? En humbleisd.net, haga clic en "TRANSLATE" en la esquina superior derecha de cualquier página y seleccione "Spanish".

Calendario Escolar 2025-2026:

El calendario escolar del distrito 2025-2026 está disponible en español para ayudar a las familias a planificar el próximo año escolar. Puede acceder al calendario en español utilizando el siguiente código QR.

# STAY CONNECTED with HumbleISD



#### Website

Find all the latest district and campus updates at humbleisd.net.



#### Email Notifications

Parents/guardians are automatically subscribed through Home Access Center (HAC). If your email changes, update it in HAC to ensure that you continue to get district and campus emails.



#### Text Alerts

Parents/guardians can receive text messages with important information about events, school closings, safety & more by ensuring your mobile number is listed in HAC.



## **Mobile App**

Download the FREE Humble ISD mobile app to stay informed on district and campus news. Easily access calendars, events, athletic information and more! humbleisd.net/connectwithus



#### **Home Access Center (HAC)**

Create a HAC account to view your child's schedule, assignment titles and grades, attendance and tardies and even see library checkouts. **humbleisd.net/hac** 



## **Rooms for Elementary Parents**

Parents can view their elementary student's class information and message their teachers in the Humble ISD mobile app using Rooms. **humbleisd.net/roomssupport** 



## Social Media

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# Discover Humble ISD's Bilingual Podcast: "Ask an Expert"



Humble ISD's
Award-Winning
bilingual podcast,
"Ask an Expert"
is published weekly
during the school

year, sharing expertise on a wide range of topics, including district initiatives, academic guidance, programs, safety, exciting recipes to try at home, and more.

#### **SEASON 2 OF "ASK AN EXPERT" FEATURED:**



A step-by-step guide on conquering the obstacle course at Woodcreek Middle School with seven-time American Ninja Warrior finalist Adam Rayl.



Counselor advice on how incoming high school seniors can start planning for life after graduation.

Stay tuned for **Season 3**, launching in August with new segments and expert insights for the 2025-2026 school year.

You can watch all of the "Ask an Expert" segments at: humbleisd.net/askanexpert or listen on Spotify.



Curious? Just **Ask an Expert!** 

# CELEBRATING KITCHEN HEROES

"We would like to recognize the outstanding work our kitchen managers and kitchen staff do every day. Through their dedication and care, they make sure our students enjoy nutritious, balanced meals in a welcoming environment. Their commitment truly helps fuel learning and success across our schools!"

**Nancy Montalbo,** Humble ISD Director of Child Nutrition Services

## **School Meal Prices for 2025-2026**

## **Elementary School Student**

Breakfast FREE | Lunch \$2.50

#### **Middle School Student**

Breakfast FREE | Lunch \$3.00

## **High School Student**

Breakfast FREE | Lunch \$3.25

# Reduced-price meals for all eligible students:

Breakfast FREE | Lunch \*\$.40

There are no increases in the cost of student meals for the 2025-2026 school year. In addition, breakfast will continue to be free for EVERY enrolled student at ALL campuses.

### **REMINDER:**

Parents, please check your student's balance in their SchoolCafe account prior to the first day of school (August 13, 2025) to make sure proper funds are available.

# **FOOD** HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Elementary**

Homemade Macaroni & Cheese Homemade Quesadilla

#### **Middle School**

Homemade Grilled Panini Sandwiches Breakfast for Lunch (Chicken & Waffles)

## **High School**

Create your own Bowls Fresh Salad Bar (build your own salad) Homemade Grilled Panini Sandwiches Homemade Burgers Homemade Smoked BBQ Brisket

Visit **schoolcafe.com/HUMBLEISD** to view daily menu options and see nutritional information on our offerings.

# Free/Reduced Lunch Info

The National School Lunch Program, administered by Humble ISD Child Nutrition Services, provides free and reduced price meals for students who fall within the eligibility guidelines. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced-price meals. Reduced price is free for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch for all campuses. Reduced lunch will be free after September 1.

### **WAYS TO APPLY:**

#### **ONLINE:**

Applications are available online at schoolcafe.com/HUMBLEISD

## Already have a SchoolCafé account?

Sign in, then navigate to Eligibility Benefits (left-hand side menu), then click Apply. SchoolCafé will walk you through the steps.

#### No SchoolCafé account?

Choose the Create an Account option at the bottom to sign up for a new parent account. Once you are registered, your initial screen will prompt you to add students to your SchoolCafé account. This process helps us identify those students within your household so that we can quickly and accurately identify them for applying.

Once your children are added to your account, navigate to Eligibility Benefits and click Apply. If you have children in more than one school, please complete and submit only ONE application.

Get Free & Reduced Application Instructions at <a href="https://humbleisd.net/freereducedapplication">humbleisd.net/freereducedapplication</a>

Instrucciones para agregar una cuenta y solicitar beneficios a humbleisd.net/aplicaciongratuitayreducida



## **MOBILE APP:**

Download the mobile app for your phone or tablet.

#### **APPLICATION FORM:**

Paper application forms are available at the Child Nutrition Office located at: 1705 Wilson Road, Building D, Humble, 77396.

# Free/Reduced Lunch Facts

Households must **reapply annually** in order to be eligible for free or reduced priced meals. Students who receive free/reduced price meals during the current school year qualify for those benefits the **FIRST 30 SCHOOL DAYS** of the following year in August.

Any student who does not have a new application processed by **September 24** will automatically be changed to full pay starting on **September 25**.

### **APPLY TODAY:**

humbleisd.net/freeandreduced

# Benefits of Submitting Free/Reduced Lunch Application

Humble ISD receives increased funding to support student education.

### Families receive:

- Free or reduced meal prices for healthy, nutritious student meals
- Additional funding for technology and internet access
- Discounted fees for SAT, ACT and AP tests along with scholarship opportunities and college applications
- Free tuition, supplies and textbooks for dual credit classes for up to 15 credit hours per semester

## **Meet Chef Alan Frederick**

Humble ISD Executive Chef Alan Frederick shares his remarkable journey to Humble ISD.

Born and raised in New Jersey, Chef Alan was a professional bowler for over 10 years before enrolling at Johnson & Wales University. From working in Michelin-starred

restaurants to serving as a

Tournament Chef at the Masters, Chef Alan collaborates with Nancy Montalbo the Child Nutrition Director, Ashley Phelps the Nutritionist, as well as all the supervisors. Together we have a tremendous vision for transforming school meals, demonstrated by exciting new food initiatives, and offering a glimpse into the future of student dining across the district.

<sup>\*</sup> Reduced lunch will be free after September 1

# **SAFETY MATTERS**

# **iHELP**: A Safety Resource for Humble ISD

Students, staff, and parents in Humble ISD can use iHELP, a mobile app and web tool, to anonymously report safety, social, or emotional concerns and get help quickly.

Monitored 24/7, iHELP connects students to caring adults and provides emotional support, especially for those who may hesitate to ask for help in person. Users can attach photos, videos, or audio and engage in two-way conversations with a real person.



The ability to report anonymously often encourages students to share more than they would face-to-face, helping build trust and positive relationships on campus.

While face-to-face support is best in emergencies, iHELP offers an extra layer of protection and encourages students to open up.

Visit <u>humbleisd.net/ihelpinfo</u>.

# **Humble ISD Enhances Safety with**

# **Evolv Detection Systems**

To support a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and visitors, Humble ISD has installed Evolv Weapons Detection Systems at Turner Stadium and all high school campuses.



Unlike traditional metal detectors, Evolv screens for weapons with minimal disruption, helping daily routines continue smoothly. The system was first introduced at Turner Stadium in October 2024 and expanded to all high schools in Spring 2025.

Evolv Express meets all government safety standards and uses low-frequency radio waves that are safe for everyone, including pregnant individuals and infants.

# Centegix Safety Platform Enhances

# **Emergency Response**

In the 2024–2025 school year, Humble ISD's Department of Emergency Management and Safety launched the Centegix Safety Platform across all campuses and departments. The system includes a simple, wearable panic button that lets any staff member report an emergency instantly.

With real-time alerts, dynamic digital maps, and precise location tracking, Centegix ensures a rapid, targeted response from on-site emergency teams.

Starting in 2025–2026, every Humble ISD teacher and staff member will receive a Centegix badge. Pressing the button discreetly alerts responders from anywhere on campus or district property.

This platform is part of Humble ISD's continued commitment to a safe, supportive environment for all students and staff.

# **Humble ISD Police Department Spotlight**

The Humble ISD Police Department is the first school district police department in Texas to be named an Academy Training Provider by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). This distinction led to the creation of the Humble ISD Law Enforcement Academy, which provides training for those pursuing law enforcement certification and continuing education for certified officers.

TCOLE Deputy Chief Cullen Grissom announced the designation at the December 2024 Humble ISD School Board meeting.



Humble ISD 2024-2025 School Board President Chris Parker, Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) Deputy Chief Cullen Grissom, Humble ISD Chief of Police Solomon Cook, Humble ISD Assistant Chief Erica Journet, Humble ISD Police Sergeant Freda Moore and Humble ISD Superintendent Dr. Roger Brown display the certificate from TCOLE authorizing Humble ISD Police to offer state certification courses for prospective law enforcement personnel in multiple agencies.

Contact Humble ISD Police: Emergency: Call 911

Non-Emergency Calls: **281-641-7900** Anonymous Tips: **281-641-TIPS (8477)** Crime Stoppers: **713-222-TIPS (8477)** 

# JOIN THE WATCH D.O.G.S.

Humble ISD is calling all Dads, Step-Dads, Grandfathers, Uncles, Brothers, Cousins and Community Members! We always need more Dads Of Great Students!

If you want to make a positive impact on an Humble ISD Elementary Campus – become a Watch D.O.G. or join a similar male role-model program today!

- Flexible Volunteer Shifts
- Morning and Afternoon Car Rider Line
- Morning and Afternoon Shifts
- Be an extra set of eyes and ears to enhance school security
- Provide positive male role models for the students
- Have Fun!

VOLUNTEER



For more information on volunteer opportunities at middle and high schools, scan QR Code

# Texas Prohibits Students from Using Cell Phones and Other

# PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES

# **During the School Day.**

Students must put away and silence phones and other PCDs upon entering the school building until the last bell.

Prohibited Personal Communication Devices (PCDs) for students include:















Cell Phone

**Tablet** 

**Smart Watch** 

Laptop

**Earbuds** 

Headphones

**Gaming Devices** 

# THE BAN AREAS INCLUDE:

CLASSROOMS • LOCKER ROOMS • CAFETERIAS • HALLWAYS • PASSING PERIODS • RESTROOMS

# **Steps Students Will Need to Take:**

- PCDs must be put away when entering the school building
- Students must keep the PCD in a backpack, purse or pocket
- PCDs must remain out of sight, turned off or kept in silent mode during the entire school day
- PCDs may be used by students after the dismissal bell

# MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL CONSEQUENCES

**1st Offense** – D-Hall; Student picks up device after school, same day

**2nd/3rd Offenses** – Extended D-Hall; Parent/Guardian picks up device after school, same day

**4th Offense** – 1 day ISS; Parent/ Guardian picks up device after school, same day

**5th+ Offense** – 2-5 days ISS; Parent/Guardian picks up device after school, same day

\* High School students with more than 1 Extended D-Hall or In-School Suspension cannot exempt final exams

#### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONSEQUENCES**

**1st/2nd Offense** - Device turned in to front office; Written notice sent to parent/guardian; Student picks up device at the end of school day

**3rd Offense** - Student office referral; Lunch or recess detention; Parent/guardian picks up device from campus at end of school day

**4th Offense** - Same as 3rd offense; Device Intervention plan created; Meeting with parent/guardian and counselor; Parent/guardian picks up device from campus at end of school day

**5th + Offense** - Student office referral; 1 Day of In-School Suspension; Device intervention plan review/update; Meeting with parent/guardian and counselor; Parent/guardian picks up device from the campus at end of school day

# HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT THEIR CHILD

- Contact the front office to have a message delivered to your child
- Do not call or text your child during the school day
- Speak to your child, encourage appropriate PCD use
- Promote the importance of students focusing on instruction
- Upon 2nd offense, a parent or guardian will be required to pick up the PCD after school



# Meet Our 2025-2026

# **TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**



**Cassandra DeBottis** is in her 14th year of teaching and for the past four years has been at Kingwood Park High School serving as a biology and pathophysiology teacher.

DeBottis won a \$10,000 check sponsored by Robbins Auto and a year of complimentary Whataburger.



"I think children need cheerleaders, every child deserves a cheerleader: a teacher who is going to walk in every day with the biggest smile on their face." **Cassandra DeBottis** of Kingwood Park High School named District and Secondary Teacher of the Year.

**Aimee Harris** of Whispering Pines Elementary School named Elementary Teacher of the Year.



**Aimee Harris** is in her 12th year of teaching and her second year at Whispering Pines Elementary School as a fifth-grade math teacher.

Harris won a \$5,000 check sponsored by GTS Technology Solutions and also won a year of complimentary Whataburger.



"At Whispering Pines, we believe that learning doesn't begin and end with a lesson plan—and that our school community is so much more than just classrooms and curriculum."

# **Top 10 Finalists**

The 2025-2026 Humble ISD Teacher of the Year Top 10 Finalists were honored at the Humble ISD Education Foundation's annual Boots & Bling Gala at Stampede Houston on stage and received a \$250 Visa gift card, courtesy of the Humble ISD Education Foundation.



\$10,000 Cash Prize



\$5,000 Cash Prize



\$250 Visa Gift Card



A Year of Complimentary Whataburger



The Humble ISD Education Foundation inspires innovation and enhances academic opportunities to create the foundation for lifelong learning.

We have awarded more than \$20 million in support of Humble ISD educators and students, and we're just getting started. Just this past year alone, we awarded \$1.28 million in education grants across our district. Our Foundation is the bridge between a generous community and incredible schools, removing obstacles and creating opportunities so that every student can thrive.

Because of the generosity of our supporters:

Classrooms are filled with curiosity and creativity

**SPONSORED BY:** 

- Teachers are empowered to go above and beyond
- Students are preparing for success today and tomorrow

Our Schools. Our Community. Our Future.

If you want to be part of the story or learn more, visit: <a href="https://humbleisdfoundation.org">humbleisdfoundation.org</a>

Together, we're changing the equation for what's possible in education.



# Congratulations Campus

# **Teachers of the Year 2025-2026**



Atascocita Springs



Autumn Creek Elementary Bear Branch Elementary





**Christina Jacquot** Centennial Elementary



Deerwood Elementary Eagle Springs Elementary





Elm Grove Elementary



Gillian Reidy Fall Creek Elementary



Foster Elementary



**Greentree Elementary** 



**Groves Elementary** 



Hidden Hollow Elementary



**Humble Elementary** 



Jack Fields Elementary



Lakeland Elementary



Lakeshore Elementary



Darla Tinelli Maplebrook Elementary



**Adriana Moretti** North Bend Elementary



**Charnae Jordan** Oak Forest Elementary



**Alexius Bennett** Oaks Elementary



Cassandria Atkinson Park Lakes Elementary



**Kari Schellinger** Pine Forest Elementary



**Erik Jones** Ridge Creek Elementary



**River Pines Elementary** 



**Shadow Forest** 



**Summerwood Elementary** 



Cierra Hollington Timbers Elementary



**Aimee Harris** Whispering Pines





 Stephanie De Luise
 Megan Cagle
 Monica Amador

 Willow Creek Elementary
 Woodland Hills Elementary
 Early Childhood Center





Atascocita Middle



Autumn Ridge Middle



Colin Catoe Creekwood Middle



Jessica Wesley Humble Middle



Kingwood Middle



Riverwood Middle



Ross Sterling Middle



Timberwood Middle



West Lake Middle



Woodcreek Middle



Adam Bowling Atascocita High



Guy M. Sconzo Early

College High

**Jacqueline Howard** 



Humble High

Camee Faulk Kingwood High





**Cornelia Patterson** 

Summer Creek High



**Community Learning Center** 

# Explore the International Baccalaureate Academy at Humble High School

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Academy at Humble High School offers students a rigorous, four-year advanced academic experience.

"The IB Academy at Humble High School helps students build strong, four-year high school résumés that stand out to competitive universities and military institutions," Humble ISD IB Coordinator Rene Lane said. "Through advanced academics, meaningful service, and extracurricular involvement, students are prepared not only for college and career success, but to be thoughtful, globally minded citizens."

Students in the IB Academy begin pre-diploma coursework in 9th and 10th grade before moving into the IB Diploma Program in 11th and 12th grade. The IB Academy operates as a school-within-a-school, as it is located in Humble High School's Advanced Academics wing, allowing students to build strong peer connections while still participating in extracurricular activities. District-provided transportation is available to all Humble ISD students in the IB Academy.

## Who Should Apply?

Students who are curious, motivated, and eager to challenge themselves academically are encouraged to apply. Students must demonstrate consistent attendance, maintain strong academic performance (A/B average for advanced/honors students; A average for on-level students), and have a clear disciplinary record.

### **Key Benefits:**

Rigorous Coursework: Earn up to 45 college credit hours through the IB Diploma Program.

Expert IB Staff: A dedicated team providing high-level instruction and support.

College & Career Guidance: Ongoing personalized support throughout high school.

Leadership & Service: Opportunities to engage in clubs and community service from 9th grade.

Well-Rounded Student Life: Participation in UIL and extracurricular activities.

Innovative Field Experiences: IB Academy students participate in unique field trips connecting classroom learning to real-world experiences, including NASA tours, flight simulations at the Lone Star Flight Museum, visits to the Houston Health Museum, and private biotech lab tours.

# **How to Apply**

Eighth-grade students across Humble ISD are invited to apply to the IB Academy to begin in 9th grade. For the 2026–2027 school year, applications



Humble ISD International Baccalaureate students present their projects during the IB Collaborative Science Symposium at Humble High School in December. The Humble ISD International Baccalaureate Academy is a four-year program. Students in the IB Academy begin pre-diploma coursework in 9th and 10th grade before moving into the IB Diploma Program in 11th and 12th grade.

will open in November and will be due by February 6, 2026. A district-wide meeting for 8th-grade families will be held in November to share more information about the program and the application process. Applications will be available on the IB page of the Humble High School website.

Learn more about Humble ISD's International Baccalaureate Academy at Humble High School by visiting <a href="https://humbleisd.net/ib">humbleisd.net/ib</a>.

# Start College While in High School at Guy M. Sconzo Early College High School



At Guy M. Sconzo Early College High School (SECHS), in partnership with Lone Star College, qualified students have the opportunity to earn both a high school diploma and an Associate's degree or up to two years of credit toward a Bachelor's degree—at no cost to families.

Sconzo Early College High School offers a small, supportive environment with rigorous instruction, accelerated courses, and opportunities for service learning and internships. Students benefit from a seamless transition from high school to college, with academic and social support services in place to help them succeed while reducing barriers to college access.

"Attending Sconzo prepared me for college by equipping me with the necessary resources and skills I would need to excel. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to attend an early college program where I was able to earn my associates degree and get a head start on my journey of becoming a doctor."

## **Abigail Jacob**

Sconzo Early College High School's 2025 Valedictorian Attending University of Texas, Fall 2025

## **CLASS OF 2025 SUCCESS**

100% of SECHS students graduated.

100% earned college credit.

**100%** earned at least one year of college credit.

**67%** earned both a high school diploma and an Associate's degree.

96% enrolled in a two- or four-year college.

**74%** earned merit-based college scholarships.

#### **How to Apply**

Sconzo Early College High School will begin its recruitment period with visits to Humble ISD middle schools from October 21 to November 20, 2025. An 8th Grade Parent Information Night will be held on November 20, from 6:00–7:30 p.m., to provide families with more details about the program and application process.

The Class of 2030 application will open on November 21, 2025, and will close on January 16, 2026. Learn how Guy M. Sconzo Early College High School can help your student take the next step toward their college and career goals by visiting humbleisd.net/sechs. The application will be available on this site starting November 21.



# **Soccer Around The World:**

Kindergarteners Learn Reading, Writing and Math Through Summerwood Class Project. Pro Soccer Players Give the Assist.

**By Joshua Koch** 

Six-year-old Faith Brady may be the Portland Thorns' biggest fan.

Her love for the National Women's Soccer League Team was sparked in Ashley Shirey's kindergarten class at Summerwood Elementary, where students participated in a project called "Women's Soccer Around the World", following professional women's soccer teams. Students utilized subjects such as math, geography, culture, reading and writing to complete a final report for the project. "I enjoyed seeing Faith and other students get to engage in something that is real world," Karen Brady, an English II teacher at Summer Creek High School and Faith's mother, said. "It was interesting to see how they were able to incorporate different subjects through soccer."

At the beginning of the project, students drafted teams from the NWSL (United States), Barclays WSL (England), Fran Bundesliga (Germany), Division I (France), Liga F (Spain) and the newly created Northern Super League (Canada).



The purpose of the project went far beyond soccer.

SWE's Ms. Shirey, Kindergartener Faith Brady, her mother and sister pictured with Thorns Captain Sam Coffey.

"It brings my two passions together," Shirey, who played soccer at Atascocita High School and has taught in Humble ISD for eight years, said. "It makes teaching fun and enjoyable."

Faith drafted the Portland Thorns and dove headfirst into learning about the team and the city they call home during the 2025 NWSL season. She watched matches, read soccer-themed books and tracked team stats throughout the project.

Ultimately, the main goal is for students to build confidence in writing throughout the project.

To strengthen their writing skills, each student wrote a personal letter to their team, introducing themselves and asking questions about the team.

"I think it's great from a teacher's perspective to see them so engaged in writing," Karen said. "I saw Faith grow a lot. That's something that will stick with them throughout their K-12 experience.

> They understand how writing can be relevant to real world things and things that they are interested in."

Shirey placed the letters in the mail. Weeks later, to everyone's surprise, the responses started flooding in. They came



Summerwood Elementary Kindergarten teacher Ashley Shirey and students attend a Houston Dash match on May 24.

in the form of letters, autographed player cards, team-autographed soccer balls, team scarfs, team flags, social media shoutouts and more. Soccer clubs Arsenal, Racing Louisville, North Carolina Courage, Orlando Pride, Kansas City Current, Angel City, Washington Spirit, and the Chicago Red Stars were ones to each send back items.

But the biggest surprise came for Faith. On the day the Portland Thorns played the Houston Dash, Thorns manager Rob Gale showed up in person to surprise her at school. Faith was gifted official Thorns gear, including a custom jersey, and received an invitation to the game. She got to meet the players after the final whistle.

"It was a dream," Shirey said. "I never thought teams would send things back, especially not offer to come to our classroom. The kids and I will never forget those moments."

The class wrapped up the project with a field trip to a Houston Dash match, where students were treated to a post game on-field experience.

"I created the project so my girls could see that [a soccer player] is something they could be, it's possible," Shirey, who once dreamed of being a professional goalkeeper, said. "And for my boys to see that they can look up to the female players. They are just as good and cool to watch as the guys."

By combining her two passions, Shirey's "Women's Soccer Around the World Project" accomplished its original mission – grow students academically, while sparking their passion and creating a new generation of professional women's soccer fans.



Summerwood Elementary Kindergarten Teacher Ashley Shirey and class are surprised by Portland Thorns manager Rob Gale prior to their match against the Houston Dash in May.







# ATASCOCITA Eagles

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Fri	Aug. 29	Lamar	Delmar	. 7:00
Fri	Sept. 5	Katy	Turner	. 7:00
Fri	Sept. 12	Austin Westlake	Turner	. 7:00
Fri	Sept. 19	BYE No Game		
Fri	Sept. 26	C.E. King	Sheldon ISD	. 7:00
Fri	Oct. 3	Summer Creek	Turner *	. 7:00
Fri	Oct. 10	Humble	Turner (V)	. 7:00
Fri	Oct. 17	Kingwood	Turner (H)	. 7:00
Fri	Oct. 24	North Shore	Galena Park ISD	. 7:00
Sat	Nov. 1	Channelview	Turner **	. 6:00
Fri	Nov. 7	Goose Creek Mem	Stallworth	. 7:00



DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Fri	.Aug. 29	. Tomball Memorial	.Turner	7:00
Fri	.Sept. 5	. Klein Forest	.Klein Memorial	7:00
Sat	.Sept. 13	. George Ranch	.Turner *	Noon
Fri	.Sept. 19	. BYE No Game		
Thu	.Sept. 25	. North Shore	.Turner	7:00
Fri	.Oct. 3	. Channelview	.Ray Maddry Memorial	7:00
Fri	.Oct. 10	. Atascocita	.Turner (H)	7:00
Fri	.Oct. 17	. C.E. King	.Sheldon ISD	7:00
Fri	.Oct. 24	. Summer Creek	.Turner (H)	7:00
Sat	.Nov. 1	Goose Creek Mem	.Turner **	1:00
Fri	.Nov. 7	. Kingwood	.Turner (V)	7:00



# **KINGWOOD Mustangs**

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Thu	Aug. 28	Clear Creek	Turner **	. 7:00
Fri	Sept. 5	La Porte	La Porte ISD	. 7:00
Thu	Sept. 11	Stratford	Turner	. 7:00
Fri	Sept. 19	BYE No Game		
Sat	Sept. 27	Goose Creek Memorial	Turner *	. 6:00
Fri	Oct. 3	North Shore	Galena Park ISD	. 7:00
Sat	Oct. 11	Channelview	Turner	. 6:00
Fri	Oct. 17	Atascocita	Turner (V)	. 7:00
Thu	Oct. 23	C.E. King	Turner	. 7:00
Fri	Oct. 31	Summer Creek	Turner (V)	. 7:00
Fri	Nov. 7	Humble	Turner (H)	. 7:00



# **KINGWOOD PARK Panthers**

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Fri	.Aug. 29	. Montgomery	Montgomery ISD	7:00
Fri	.Sept. 5	. Dayton	Bronco	7:00
Sat	.Sept. 13	. Clear Lake	Turner	6:00
Fri	.Sept. 19	.BYE No Game		
Thu	.Sept. 25	. Fort Bend Kempner	Mercer	7:00
Thu	.Oct. 2	.La Porte	Turner *	7:00
Fri	.Oct. 10	. Crosby	Crosby ISD	7:00
Thu	.Oct. 16	. Angleton	Turner	7:00
Thu	.Oct. 23	.Pasadena	Veterans Memorial	6:30
Thu	.Oct. 30	. Friendswood	Turner	7:00
Thu	.Nov. 6	. Porter	Turner **	7:00



# SUMMER CREEK Buildogs

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Fri	Aug. 29	Shadow Creek	Alvin ISD	7:00
Thu	Sept. 4	Lamar	Turner	7:00
Thu	Sept. 11	Spring	Spring ISD	7:00
Fri	Sept. 19	BYE No Game		
Fri	Sept. 26	Channelview	Turner *	7:00
Fri	Oct. 3	Atascocita	Turner (V)	7:00

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	STADIUM	TIME
Thu	Oct. 9	C.E. King	Turner	7:00
Sat	Oct. 18	Goose Creek M	emorial Turner	1:00
Fri	Oct. 24	Humble	Turner (V)	7:00
Fri	Oct. 31	Kingwood	Turner **	7:00
Fri	Nov. 7	North Shore	Galena Park ISD	7:00

\*Homecoming Game | \*\* Senior Night | (H) Home | (V) Visitor



# Humble ISD Athletic Ticket Sales Now Cashless Only!

Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, all ticket purchases for Humble ISD middle school, sub-varsity and varsity athletic events will be cashless.

Concession stand purchases at Turner Stadium will continue to accept **cash** and **cashless payments**. The concession stands are primarily operated by each high school's band booster club parents.

Surrounding districts have moved to the cashless model for tickets, including Aldine ISD, Clear Creek ISD, Cy-Fair ISD, Goose Creek CISD and Katy ISD.

All tickets can be purchased digitally through humbleisd.net/athletics or the Hometown Fan App for all varsity, sub-varsity and middle school games hosted on Humble ISD campuses. On-campus presale for tickets will not occur in 2025-2026.

All major credit cards will be accepted along with Apple Pay and Google Pay at the gates if tickets are still available. A small processing fee (ranging from \$1-\$2) will be attached to each ticket purchase. The processing fee is subject to change as that rate is set by Hometown Ticketing.

When purchasing tickets for Turner Stadium, make sure the tickets purchased are for the correct team. Guests will not be permitted to use tickets at a gate not designated for the team listed on the ticket. Once inside Turner Stadium, fans are not allowed to walk from home to the visitor side and vice versa. To ensure entrance to a sporting event, employees, students, families and community members should consider purchasing a ticket in advance.

Ticket prices for high school athletic events are set by the District Executive Committee, which is made up of athletic participating districts' Superintendents, while middle school athletic event ticket prices are set by Humble ISD:

Turner Stadium Varsity Football ticket: **\$10** (Adult and Student)

Pre-Sale Varsity Football (AHS, HHS, KHS, SCHS) Ticket (1 1/2 hours prior to Kickoff): \$8 Adult - \$5 Student

Pre-Sale Kingwood Park Varsity Football Ticket (1 1/2 hours prior to Kickoff): \$6 Adult - \$4 Student

**High School Campus Athletic Event: \$5**(Adult and Student)
\*AHS, HHS, KHS, SCHS

**\$3** (Adult and Student)
\*Only at Kingwood Park

Middle School Campus Athletic Event: \$3 (Adult) - \$2 (Student)

# HUMBLE ISD ATHLETICS TICKET PACKAGES



#### **GOLD CARD**

(Senior Citizens Age 65 or Over): Humble ISD offers a FREE Gold Card to members of the community

who are age 65 or over. The Gold Card grants admission to any middle school or high school athletic event for FREE, barring a sell out. Gold Cards are not valid for entry to playoff games or fine arts events; a ticket will need to be purchased.

Gold Cards can be acquired by showing your ID at ANY Humble ISD athletic event. A gate worker will give you a Gold Card that you can keep and use indefinitely. A new Gold Card is not required each year. Gold Cards are also available for pickup at the Humble ISD Administration Building (10203 Birchridge Drive Humble, Texas 77338) during normal business hours (8 a.m. - 4 p.m.).



# TURNER STADIUM SEASON PASS (Varsity Football Only): Fans

can save money on processing fees by purchasing season tickets rather than

individual games. Fans can purchase season tickets (with chairbacks) for \$10 per ticket or general admission season tickets for \$8 per ticket for

home games of your selected school. Tickets can be purchased on humbleisd.net/athletictickets from August 5 at 8 a.m. until August 15 at 11:59 p.m. The home games have to be for the same high school team and cannot vary between teams. There will be a one-time processing fee attached to the purchase.



### **FLEX PASS**

(Non-Turner Stadium Middle School and High School Athletic Events):

Fans can save money on processing fees and purchase either a 10-game or 20-game flex pass for Humble ISD middle school or high school athletic events held on Humble ISD campuses. There will be a one-time processing fee attached to the purchase. Flex Passes can be purchased at humbleisd.net/athletictickets.

Middle School Flex Passes for adults will cost \$30 for a 10-game and \$60 for 20-game pass. There will be a one-time processing fee attached to each flex pass purchase.

High School Flex Passes for Atascocita, Humble, Kingwood and Summer Creek High School fans will cost \$50 for a 10-game and \$100 for a 20-game pass plus processing fees for adults and students. For Kingwood Park High School, a flex pass will cost \$30 for a 10-game and \$60 for a 20-game pass plus processing fees.

Flex Passes can be utilized for any middle school or high school sport throughout the 2025-2026 school year. They are not eligible for varsity games at Turner Stadium.

# Humble ISD Employee/Student Ticket Options

Employees and students who hold passes/employee badges will be allowed to access games at Humble ISD athletic events.

Employees and students will not be able to enter tournaments and playoff games with passes/employee badges. In the event all tickets to a game are sold out, which includes varsity football games at Turner Stadium, or any other venue within Humble ISD, employee and student passes will not be permitted. Only purchased tickets will allow entry, and only on the purchased side.

For questions or concerns regarding online ticketing, contact the Humble ISD Athletics Office at 281-641-8130.



**Summer Creek High School** girls basketball won the program's and Humble ISD's first-ever Girls Basketball State Championship with a 52-49 victory over Cedar Hill in the Class 6A Division I State Championship game in March.



**Kingwood High School** baseball won the program's first State Championship since 2005 with a 5-4 victory over reigning State Champion Tomball in the Class 6A Division II State Championship game in June.



**Kingwood Park High School** cheer won the program's and Humble ISD's first-ever UIL Spirit State Championship by capturing the 2025 UIL Spirit COED State Championship in February.

# A YEAR OF CHAMPIONS!

In the 2024-2025 school year,
Humble ISD Athletics experienced
a historic year of success. Four teams
won State Championships, three of
which were the first time in program
history. Nine Track & Field
State Championships were captured
and one in Swimming and Diving.



**Atascocita High School** senior John Simmons won the 2025 Class 6A Boys 100-Yard Back Stroke State Championship.

# Atascocita High School

Jayden Kimble - 2025 Class 6A Girls Discus State Champion

Mariah Maxwell - 2025 Class 6A Girls 200 Meter Dash State Champion

Mia Maxwell - 2025 Class 6A Girls Triple Jump & 100-Meter Dash State Champion (Broke a 17-year-old State Record with time of 11.04 seconds) | 2025 UIL Class 6A Girls Track Athlete of the Meet

Jackson Norris - 2025 Class 6A Boys Long Jump State Champion



### **Summer Creek High School**

Brooke Lloyd - 2025 Class 6A Girls
400-Meter Dash State Champion
Brianna Rivers - 2025 Class 6A Girls
High Jump State Champion
Summer Creek Girls Meter Relay Team
(Kaiyah Brown, Phoenix Phillips, Trinity
Williams and Brooke Lloyd) - 2025 Class 6A
Girls 4X400-Meter Relay State Champions

Kingwood High School softball won the program's first-ever State Championship with a 4-1 victory over Forney in the Class 6A Division II State Championship game in May.



Kingwood Park High School Courtney Daniel - 2025 Class 5A Girls Shot Put State Champion



Humble Independent School District

# Humble ISD Theatre Programs Garner Tommy Tunes Nominations, Awards

The annual Tommy Tunes Awards, produced by Theatre Under The Stars, the city of Houston's biggest night for high school musical theatre.

In June, the 2025 Tommy Tunes Awards were held at the Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. Humble ISD was represented by Kingwood High School and Summer Creek High School theatre programs.

Kingwood High School brought home the Tommy Tune Award for Tier 2 Outstanding Costume Design (designed by Joscelyne Oktabetz and Percy Vojnovich) from its production of Phantom of the Opera.

Summer Creek High School's Hezekiah Mayers earned an Outstanding Honorable Mention for his performance in Mean Girls: High School Edition. Summer Creek had 20 Tommy Tune nominations and one finalist.



Kingwood High School's Lucius Watt and Anna Kovacik perform in Phantom of the Opera.

In the Overall Best Musical category, the Tommy Tunes Awards adjudicated over 60 high school musical productions during the 2024-2025 school year and chose eight overall Best Musical Finalists to perform at the ceremony. Kingwood High School's production of Phantom of the Opera was one of the eight selected.

Kingwood High School had 34 initial nominations for Tommy Tune Awards with 11 reaching the finalist round.

# Class of 2025 Valedictorian Receives Top Art Award



Atascocita High School's Macey Hudson, the Class of 2025 Valedictorian, received the High School State Visual Art Scholastic Event (State VASE) Gold Seal and State Championship honor with her paper quilling piece "Serenity in Motion". Hudson was taught by Toni Goss. At the state VASE competition, 165 student artworks are chosen as Gold Seal and State Champions. That is less than 1% of the 35,000+ VASE entries for the 2024-2025 academic year.



# Dr. Joe Clark Named New Humble ISD Director of Fine Arts

Dr. Joe Clark has been named the new Director of Fine Arts for Humble ISD. Dr. Clark comes from Spring ISD where he served as the Director of Performing and Visual Arts since 2013. Dr. Clark began his career as a middle school band director and later served as a high school band director.

As Director of Fine Arts, Dr. Clark will provide leadership for Humble ISD's PreK-12 fine arts programs, oversee curriculum, instruction, staff development, program operations, and community partnerships to support student success through the arts.

# Humble ISD has received the District of Distinction Award from the Texas Art Education Association (TAEA)



Humble ISD is one of only 16 districts in the state to receive this recognition for seven consecutive years.

District of Distinction is an annual recognition program created by TAEA to honor school districts for leading the way in the visual arts. TAEA recognizes districts with outstanding leadership in promoting the arts in their district and community.

# Humble ISD Receives Best Communities for Music Education for 6th-straight Year

Humble ISD has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for their outstanding support and commitment to music education for a sixth-consecutive year.

Over 1,000 districts and individual school sites (public, private, charter, parochial) were recognized for having the highest commitment to producing exceptional music programs.

To qualify for the Best Communities designation, Humble ISD answered detailed questions about funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, instruction time, facilities,



support for the music program and community music-making programs. Responses were verified by school officials and reviewed by the leading arts educational research firm, WolfBrown.

Now in its 26th year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement for providing music access and education to all students.

# **Lake Houston Middle School opens August 2025**

Lake Houston Middle School, Humble ISD's 11th middle school, opened its doors in August for the 2025-2026 school year.

The 213,000-square-foot, three-story campus is located at 15014 Timber Forest Drive, just south of Centennial Elementary. Lake Houston Middle School is designed with sixth grade on the ground floor, seventh grade on the second, and eighth grade on the third.

Funded by Bond 2022 and designed to relieve capacity at nearby middle school campuses, the new school features modern safety measures, cutting-edge technology, and flexible learning spaces that promote collaboration. One of the school's standout design elements is its use of natural light throughout the building—an intentional feature shown to support academic performance, focus, and student well-being.

Dawn Peter, the principal of Lake Houston Middle School, brings over 19 years of experience in education. She has served in Humble ISD for the past 10 years, most recently as an assistant principal at Riverwood Middle

School. Looking forward to the new campus and her new role, Principal Peter has been counting down the days until the new school year begins.

"August is here, and with it comes the excitement of a brand-new school year bursting with opportunities!" Peter said. "This year is extra special as we proudly open the doors of Lake Houston Middle School for the very first time."





**HUMBLE ISD BOND 2022 HIGHLIGHTS** 



# New Mosaic Building to Open in 2025, Supporting Young Adults with Special Needs









Exciting changes are on the horizon for the Mosaic program as construction continues on a new state-of-the-art facility designed to support young adults with special needs as they transition to life after high school. Set to open in late fall 2025, the new 56,600-square-foot, two-story building is located off Timber Forest Drive behind the Community Learning Center and is funded by Bond 2022.

The Mosaic program serves students ages 18-22 who received special education services and continue to qualify for educational support after high school. These students are currently based in portable buildings, but the new facility will soon offer them a modern, permanent home with purposefully designed spaces to foster independence and workforce readiness.

"We are thrilled that the new facility will provide a dedicated space for our young adults to work toward their postsecondary goals," said Leslie Johnson, Director of the program.

The first floor will house the Mosaic program

and include a variety of specialized learning spaces where students will practice important life skills. "The new campus will feature model apartments equipped with beds, laundry machines, cleaning supplies, and fully functional kitchens and living areas, so students can learn essential cooking and housekeeping skills," Johnson added.

Additional features include a dedicated workroom where students can practice office-related tasks such as making copies, using computers, and delivering supplies. A production lab will give students the opportunity to create items—like handmade T-shirts, dog treats, and jewelry—that will be sold in the onsite spirit store and at the

Outdoor learning environments, including a garden, will enhance the program's focus on practical, hands-on learning.

Humble ISD Administration Building.



"The building will include collaborative spaces where teachers can help students develop skills before they head out into the community."

Leslie Johnson Mosaic Program Director

The second floor will be office space for more than 60 special education professionals who serve students throughout the district. This centralized location will strengthen collaboration between staff and provide more efficient support for campuses across Humble ISD.

Once complete, the new Mosaic building will stand as a cornerstone of Humble ISD's commitment to inclusive education—providing a dynamic, supportive space where young adults can gain the skills and confidence they need for successful, independent futures.

# Robotics Opportunities Open Doors for Humble ISD Students

From elementary through high school, Humble ISD students are gaining hands-on experience in robotics through special programs, clubs, and competitions. These opportunities help students build skills in coding, design, teamwork, and problem-solving while sparking interest in future careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Robotics teaches students to approach challenges creatively and persist through trial and error – skills that drive innovation and open doors to tomorrow's breakthroughs.



Students in the HERO Robotics program build and code robots to solve real-world challenges during the 2024 Humble ISD Elementary Robotics Open preliminary competitions.



## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Program:** HERO – Humble Elementary Robotics Open

Select 4th and 5th graders explore robotics through teamwork, coding, and problem-solving challenges. No experience is required — students are selected for their curiosity and collaboration skills.

# **Highlights:**

- New real-world challenge each year (last year's challenge focused on robotics solving real-life problems in national parks)
- Students refine code, build app prototypes, and present to a panel of experts



### MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Opportunities:** CTE Courses and Robotics Clubs

Students begin with Intro to STEM and Engineering electives and apply their learning through clubs and competitions.

## **Highlights:**

- Annual Middle School Robotics Competition featuring VEX robots
- Students design and build robots to compete in competitive challenges
- Prepares students for high school level robotics and engineering courses



Students compete in the Battle Bots challenge during the 2025 Middle School Robotics Competition.



A Kingwood High School student inspects and adjusts a mechanism on her team's robot during the State FIRST Robotics Competition.



## HIGH SCHOOL

**Opportunities:** Engineering and Robotics Pathways and Competitions

Advanced robotics courses prepare students for college, careers, and certifications. Through the Engineering CTE program, students gain experience in coding and Computer Aided Design (CAD), with the opportunity to earn CAD certifications to strengthen job and college applications.

## **Highlights:**

- FIRST Robotics: state level competition where student led teams design and build robots from scratch to complete challenges
- BEST Robotics: teams build robots aligned with an annual theme and compete against other teams across the state

# Humble ISD's New Dental Assistant Program Helps Jumpstart Dental Careers in High School

Over the course of the school year, students learn essential dental skills such as how to make impressions for dental models, sterilize equipment, take and develop x-rays, and assist with routine procedures—all while working in a brand-new, state-of-the-art dental lab that mirrors a real clinic.

Humble ISD students with aspirations in the dental field now have the opportunity to graduate high school with a professional dental assistant certification in hand—thanks to the district's new Dental Assistant Career & Technical Education (CTE) Program. Launched during the 2024–2025 school year at Summer Creek High School, the program allows students to earn their Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) certification before graduation.

"The dental assistant program at Summer Creek High School had an incredibly successful inaugural



The dental hygiene program prepares students for real-world care through expert instruction and hands-on experience in a fully equipped dental lab.

year, with 16 students earning their Dental Assistant certification in the spring!" said Larry Wilson, Humble ISD CTE Director. "We are grateful that we could cater to the needs of our students interested in pursuing careers as dental assistants, and we are optimistic about an even more successful 2025-2026 school year, as we have managed to expand the program by doubling the number of available seats."

Not only does Humble ISD's new dental assistant program offer early exposure to the profession, it also saves time and money. By covering the cost of tuition and fees—which typically exceed \$4,000 outside the district—Humble ISD is removing financial barriers and helping students fast-track their career goals.

# WHAT SCHOOL WILL YOUR CHILD ATTEND?

To find what school your child will attend, check your address at:

humbleisd.net/attendancezones

**Dress code standards** are in place during instructional time for the 2025-2026 school year. Students and parents should keep these points in mind when planning back-to-school outfits:

- District-issued student identification badges must be worn by middle and high school students.
- Dresses, skirts, fashion slits, and holes higher than midthigh are not permitted.
- The midriff must not be exposed when a student goes through the normal activities of a school day (bending, stretching, reaching, etc.).
- Male students may not wear shirts without sleeves.
- Hair must be neat, clean and well groomed.
   Hair style/color must not create disruptions or distraction.
- Facial hair, while allowed, must be neatly groomed and a natural color.
- Makeup is not permitted at the elementary level.
- Students may wear earrings. No other piercings are allowed.
- Tattoos must be covered.
- Steel-toe shoes, house slippers, cleats and roller/ wheeled shoes are not permitted.
- For elementary students, heels over ½ inch and flip flops are not permitted.



## **New Students**

Students in grades K-12 who are new to Humble ISD will begin the registration process online. Visit humbleisd.net/enrollment to get started.

## **Pre-Kindergarten**

Humble ISD offers a free, full-day Pre-Kindergarten Program. To participate in the Pre-Kindergarten Program, a child must be 4 years old on or before September 1 of the current school year AND meet specified criteria. Visit humbleisd.net/prek for more information.

## **Returning Students**

A returning student is any student who was actively enrolled on the last day of the prior school year at any Humble ISD campus. The online Annual Update process must be completed each year for all returning students. Parents and guardians received an email during the week of July 15, when the Annual Update became available for each child currently enrolled in Humble ISD. Visit humbleisd. net/annualupdate for more information.

Parents can get supply lists online at

# humbleisd.net/schoolsupplies

Most middle and high school students get supply lists during the first week of school. Bring paper, pencils and pens on the first day of school



Information on immunization requirements, in both English and Spanish, can be accessed at: dshs.texas.gov/immunizations.

All students must be immunized in accordance with state law before entering Texas schools. Vaccines are available from doctors' offices, the Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services Department, 281-446-4222, or the Houston Department of Health and Human Services, 211texas.org or call 211. All immunization records must be validated with the healthcare provider's signature/stamp.

### .....NOTE

Incoming 7th grade students are required to receive Tdap and MCV<sup>2</sup>

### **Immunization Exemptions:**

For students who require medical exemptions, a written statement by a physician should be submitted to the school nurse annually. If the exemption is for reasons of conscience, which includes religious beliefs, visit dshs.texas.gov/immunizations/school/exemptions for instructions on how to request and complete an immunization exemption. Exemptions for reasons of conscience must be submitted to the school nurse on the original exemption form once completed and must be renewed every 2 years from the date it was notarized.

For more information, please visit the Humble ISD Health Services website at humbleisd.net/immunizations.



# **CTE** for All Students

Humble ISD offers career and technical education programs in agricultural sciences, architecture & construction, audio/video & communication, health science, business/finance & marketing, information technology, hospitality & tourism, human services, education & training, energy, manufacturing, engineering, automotive, law & public service, and career preparation. Admission criteria are listed in the high school and middle school planning guides.

It is the policy of Humble ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Humble ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to

admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information on career and technical education courses, contact Larry Wilson, Director of CTE, at 281-641-8310. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact Terry Perkins at 281-641-8005 or 10203 Birchridge Drive in Humble.



# **CTE** para Todos los Estudiantes

Humble ISD ofrece programas de educación técnica y profesional (CTE) para todos los estudiantes. Estos programas incluyen ciencias agrícolas, arquitectura y construcción, producción de audio/video y comunicaciones, ciencias de la salud, negocios/finanzas y mercadotecnia, tecnología de la información, hospitalidad y turismo, servicios humanos, educación y capacitación, energía, manufactura, ingeniería, automotriz, derecho y servicio público, y preparación profesional.

Los criterios de admisión se encuentran en las guías de planificación para escuelas intermedias y preparatorias.

Es norma de Humble ISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o discapacidad en sus programas vocacionales, servicios o actividades, conforme a lo establecido por el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; el Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación de 1972; y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

Humble ISD tomará las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de dominio del idioma inglés no sea un obstáculo para la admisión ni la participación en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para obtener información sobre los cursos de educación técnica y profesional, comuníquese con Larry Wilson, Director de CTE, al 281-641-8310. Para obtener información sobre sus derechos o los procedimientos para presentar quejas, comuníquese con Terry Perkins al 281-641-8005 o visite 10203 Birchridge Drive en Humble.

Humble ISD is using new software, called Zūm Transportation, for the 2025-2026 school year to better support school bus transportation services.



What school is zoned to my address? To see which schools are zoned to your address, go to: humbleisd.net/attendancezones.

#### Is there bus transportation?

- Select the **Zūm Bus Lookup Tool** to check if your student is eligible for bus transportation.
- Enter your home address and select it from the results.
- Select your student's school from the School drop down menu. If there are no schools available to select, you have entered an address outside the district.
- If your student is eligible, the tool will display their bus stop location and pickup time.
- If no route appears, a message will display that your address is within the parent responsibility zone and not eligible for bus service.

**Should I download the Zūm Transportation App?** Use the Zūm Transportation App to receive information about your child.

#### **ELEMENTARY STUDENTS:**

Parents can see in the app when their child entered and exited the bus. Parents can also see the estimated time of arrival for the bus at their stop.

### MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

Parents can see estimated time of arrival for the bus at their stop.

**NOTE:** These are the only features in the app available for Humble ISD students at this time.

**NOTE:** Students with specialized transportation requirements outlined in an Individualized Education Program (IEP) will receive route information personally from the Transportation Department.

For questions regarding bus transportation, please contact the Humble ISD Transportation Department at 281-641-8720.

# Services For Students with Disabilities

Humble ISD is responsible for identifying, locating and evaluating all children with disabilities who are in need of special education and related services who reside and/or are located within the school district's boundaries or attend a private school within the district's boundaries, even if they are not district residents.

Children who have a disability or who are suspected of having a disability may be referred to Humble ISD through one of the following means:

- For children of district residents, who are school-age (3 to 21), please contact the elementary, middle, or high school that serves your particular neighborhood or location.
- For children of district residents who are below school-age (birth through 2 years old), please contact the Special Education Department at 281-641-8410 or one of the following Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Agencies:
  - ECI Infant Program of Easter Seals 713-838-9050
     Zip codes 77338, 77339, 77345, 77346
  - ECI Bay Area Rehabilitation Center 281-838-4477 Zip code 77044
  - ECI-MHMRA Authority of Harris Co. 713-970-4800 Zip code 77396
- For children who are out of district but attending a private school within the district, please contact the Special Education Office at 281-641-8410. If you are unsure which school serves your neighborhood, call the Special Education Department at 281-641-8410. All referrals are confidential and the parent, legal guardian, or surrogate parent has the right to refuse services.

# **Humble ISD Non-Discrimination Policy**

It is the policy of the Humble Independent School District to comply fully with the nondiscrimination provisions of all Federal and State laws and regulations by ensuring that no student shall be discriminated against, or harassed, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender, disability, or any other basis prohibited by law in its educational and vocational (CTE) programs, or activities, as required by Title IX, Title VI, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Terry Perkins, 281-641-8005, is designated as the Title IX Coordinator (Sex and Gender) and Title VI Coordinator (Race, Color, National Origin). Rick Meyer, 281-641-8316, is designated as the ADA and Section 504 Coordinator for students. Rick Gardner, 281-641-8160, is designated as the ADA and Section 504 Coordinator for employees. Jason Seybert, 281-641-8712, is designated as the ADA and Section 504 Coordinator for facilities accessibility. A more detailed notice of nondiscrimination may be found in the 2025-2026 Student Handbook.

# Poliza de Antidiscriminacion de Humble ISD

El Districto Escolar Independiente de Humble tiene la política de cumplir a cabalidad con los estatutos de todas las leyes y regulaciones Federales y Estatales relacionadas a la antidiscriminación. De esta forma, aseguramos que ningún estudiante será discriminado o acosado por razón de raza, color, religión, origen nacional, sexo, género, discapacidades, edad o otras clasificaciones prohibidas por ley en programas de educación vocacional (CTE) u otras actividades requeridas por el Título IX, Título VI, Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973 y la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA). Terry Perkins, 281-641-8005, ha sido designado como el Coordinador del Título IX (Sexo y Género) y Coordinador del Título VI (Raza, Color, Origen Nacional). Rick Meyer, 281-641-8316, ha sido designado como Coordinador de ADA y la Sección 504 para estudiantes. Rick Gardner, 281-641-8160 ha sido designado como Coordinador de ADA y la Seccion 504 para empleados. Jason Seybert, 281-641-8712, ha sido designado como Coordinador de ADA y la Seccion 504 para tratar asuntos relacionados a la accesibilidad. La proclamación de anti-discriminación está incluida de forma detallada en el Manual del Estudiante de 2025-2026.

# Lake Houston Family YMCA is registering for the 2025-2026 school year

## **GRADES: K-5**

**Days/Times:** Monday through Friday, from school dismissal until 6:30 p.m.

**Locations:** Humble ISD Elementary Schools

Fees: \$45 registration fee/child. Monthly fee varies, visit humbleisd.net/ymca

**Program Features:** Care on Early Dismissal and In-Service days, qualified staff, healthy snacks, homework assistance, academic enrichment, organized play.



For more information and to register, visit:
ymcahouston.org/programs
or stop by Lake Houston YMCA.

# Let's Play! Humble ISD Elementary Play Areas

Humble ISD is reinvesting in the community by adding immersive, imaginatively-themed playgrounds at all elementary schools. Outdoor equipment is open to the public on elementary school campuses after school, on weekends and on school holidays. All are built on handicap-accessible, poured-in-place rubber surfaces, with fall protection. All campuses will have playgrounds by 2027.

These new facilities are thanks to Bond 2022 funds, federal funds or City of Houston TIRZ funds. The playgrounds have been designed to enhance safety, provide outdoor opportunities for all children and develop community assets. Scan the QR code to learn more.



# **North Elementary Playgrounds**

- Texas Landmarks Projected Opening Fall 2026
  Foster Elementary, 1800 Trailwood Village Drive, Kingwood
- Fairy Tale Opened in 2022
  Woodland Hills Elementary, 2222 Tree Lane, Kingwood
- Treehouse Opened in 2023 Elm Grove Elementary, 2815 Clear Ridge Drive, Kingwood
- Old West Opened in Spring 2025
  Hidden Hollow Elementary, 4104 Appalachian Trail, Kingwood
- 5 Ice Castle Opened in 2024 Shadow Forest Elementary, 2300 Mills Branch Drive, Kingwood
- **Wonders of The World** Projected Opening in Fall 2025 Willow Creek Elementary, 2002 Willow Terrace Drive, Kingwood
- Under the Sea Opened in 2024
  Deerwood Elementary, 2920 Forest Garden Drive, Kingwood
- Wizard of Oz Opening in Fall 2025
  Greentree Elementary, 3502 Brook Shadow Drive, Kingwood
- America The Beautiful Opened in Spring 2025
   Bear Branch Elementary, 3500 Garden Lake Drive, Kingwood

# **West Elementary Playgrounds**

- Fiesta! Opened in 2024
  Humble Elementary, 20252 Fieldtree, Humble
- Space Opened in 2023
  Jack M. Fields Sr. Elementary, 2505 South Houston Ave., Humble
- Ski Lodge Opened in 2024
  North Bend Elementary, 15630 Old Humble Road, Humble
- Rainforest Opened in 2023
  River Pines Elementary, 2400 Cold River Drive, Humble
- City of Elements Projected Opening in Fall of 2026
  Whispering Pines Elementary, 17321 Woodland Hills Drive, Humble
- Futuristic Projected Opening in Summer of 2026
  Lakeland Elementary, 1101 Rustic Timbers Drive, Humble

# **East Elementary Playgrounds**

- **Aviation Park** Opened in Spring 2025
  Eagle Springs Elementary, 12500 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble
- National Parks Opened in 2023
  Oaks Elementary, 5858 Upper Lake Drive, Humble
- Farm Life Opened in 2024
  Oak Forest Elementary, 6400 Kingwood Glen, Humble
- Treasure Island Opening in Fall of 2025
  Pine Forest Elementary, 19702 W. Lake Houston Pkwy., Humble
- Lake Life Projected Opening in Spring 2027
  Maplebrook Elementary, 7935 Farmingham Road, Humble
- The Great Outdoors Opened in Spring 2025
  Timbers Elementary, 6910 Lonesome Woods Trail, Humble
- **Dreamland** Projected Opening in Fall 2025 Lakeshore Elementary, 13333 Breakwater Path, Houston

# **South Elementary Playgrounds**

- Toy Town Opened in Spring 2025
  Early Childhood Center, 8105 East North Belt Drive, Humble
- Bug's World Opened in 2024
  Fall Creek Elementary, 14435 Mesa Drive, Humble
- Safari Opened in 2023
  Park Lakes Elementary, 4400 Wilson Road, Humble
- The Nest Projected Opening in Fall of 2026
  Autumn Creek Elementary, 14910 Woodland Dawn, Humble
- **Dinosaurs** Opened in 2024 Atascocita Springs Elementary, 13515 Valley Lodge Pkwy., Humble
- Historic Humble Projected Opening in Summer 2027 Centennial Elementary, 15130 Timber Forest Drive, Houston
- Magic Science Lab Projected Opening in Spring 2026
  Ridge Creek Elementary, 15201 Woodland Hills Drive, Humble
- Enchanted Forest Opening Fall 2025
  Groves Elementary, 11902 Madera Run Parkway, Humble
- All-Star Park Projected Opening in Spring of 2026 Summerwood Elementary, 14000 Summerwood Lakes Dr., Houston

Themes are subject to change. Opening dates for each playground will be announced and posted online as soon as they are determined. Images for upcoming playgrounds will be posted as they become available.



# YOUR **SCHOOLS**

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YOUR **SCHOOLS** 

# Daily Attendance = \$ to Your Student's School

When students stay in school until 10 a.m. (Elementary) and 10:40 a.m. (Middle and High School), it ensures the school receives

Mayra Fitch poses for a photo with students.

# **FULL FUNDING**

for the day!

In Texas, public school funding is primarily based on Average Daily Attendance, meaning the state allocates funds based on the number of students present each day, not the total number enrolled.

Every family member plays a role! Your support in helping your child be present every day not only helps them academically but also boosts your school's success.

If your child must miss school part of the day, it's helpful when the student stays in school until after official attendance time - which is until 10 a.m. at the elementary level and 10:40 a.m. at the middle and high school level. Schools receive full funding for the day if the student is present at

If your child sees a healthcare provider during the school day, parents are asked to submit a note from the healthcare provider (such as doctor, dentist, mental health professional) documenting the visit. The school can receive full funding if the student was present part of the school day and submitted a note documenting a medical appointment.

For every type of absence, even when the school does not receive full funding, parents are required to submit notice of the absence to their child's school within 48 hours of the absence because Texas requires schools to keep accurate attendance records for each child.

