

Cougar Chronicle



“Committed to Excellence in Education”

Happy New Year!

The New Year provides an opportunity to refocus on what has been achieved and what still needs to be accomplished.

Dates to Remember

January 8: Open House

January 18: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

January 19: 100th Day of school

January 24-30: National School Choice Week

Chick-Fil- A Nights: January 13, 2016, February 17th, and March 30th.

Character Counts: Good Citizenship

We are ready to make 2016 a year filled with success through hard work and dedication by providing students with daily opportunities to grow. The hard work is the responsibility of us all – teachers, students, staff, families, and administrators. I know together we make learning an exciting venture.

Attendance: Your child’s success is directly related to excellent attendance. Our overall school attendance is an indicator on our state accountability rating and effects HGA success. Students arriving after 7:45 a.m. are considered tardy. Students who are absent should submit a written excuse (parent note or doctor’s excuse) upon returning to school. Excessive tardies/absences are referred to the district’s truancy officer.

Report Cards: Is your child performing to the best of their ability? Open House is this Friday, January 8th from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. to retrieve your child’s report card for the second nine weeks.

100th day of school: The 100th day is Tuesday, January 19, 2016 and we would like EVERYONE to dress the part. Dress up like a 100 year old person to celebrate this day. In addition, we will host a can good food drive to benefit the Houston Food Bank so each class would be responsible to collect 100 can goods.

STAAR dates:

March 29 – Grade 4 Writing; Grade 5 Mathematics

March 30 – Grade 5 Reading

May 9 – Grades 3-4 Mathematics

May 10 – Grades 3-4 Reading

May 11 – Grade 5 Science

Holiday: There is no school on Monday, January 18, 2016 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. *“The function of education, therefore, is to teach one to think intensively and think critically....” MLK*

National School Choice Week: This is a week to shine a positive spotlight on effective education options for every child.

Our mission is to develop strong critical thinkers that will graduate from four year competitive colleges by providing strict character development and a rigorous academic curriculum.