

# Houston Gateway Academy Evergreen

**“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.”**

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Post #6

## Greetings Parents!

We'd like to encourage parents to get involved at HGA. Here are a few suggestions:

- Read over teacher notes and school handouts
- Sign conduct charts daily
- Volunteer at school
- Attend conferences/Events
- Contact teacher immediately if you see a problem

**Attendance:** Daily attendance is imperative to your child's education. I'm elated to announce that our attendance rate has improved. Let's keep up the great

work! Next day to redeem perfect attendance pass is February 13, 2017.

**African American History** During the month of February, HGA scholars will celebrate the history and achievements of African American heroes. Teacher will integrate the culture into lessons throughout this month.

## Reading Rockets

**Program/Reading TIPS:** Together our scholars have read a total of 2,102 books. Continue to encourage your child to read for 20 minutes daily. Book summaries are due on March 8, 2017 and the celebration will be held on

March 10, 2017. Let your child see you use a dictionary.

Practice saying the following, "Hmm, I'm not sure what that word means... I think I'll look it up."

## Fun Fair/District Fundraiser:

Join us for a fun day at the Elite Campus on February 25, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 pm. There will be food, games, rides and the raffle will be held at 12:00 p.m.

**Cell phone Policy:** As a reminder all phones are to be dropped off each morning and picked up from Ms. Linares at the end of the day.

## Dates to Remember

- **February 3 through 10 – Book Fair**
- **February 9, 2017 – Family Night Book Fair at 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.**
- **February 14 – Valentine's Day Class Celebrations (No candy allowed)**
- **February 20 – Spring Pictures (Uniform required)**
- **February 21, 2017- Coffee with the Principals at 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.**
- **February 25, 2017 – Fun Fair (Raffle) at the Elite Campus from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
- **March 3, 2017 – Go Texan Day – Dust off your boots and join us for a Go Western Day.**

## Upcoming STAAR Exams:

- **March 28 – Grades 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Writing and Grades 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Mathematics**
- **March 29 - Grades 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Reading**

Tips for Test Day!

1. Get plenty of rest the night before!
2. Eat a healthy breakfast!
3. Come prepared and on time!
4. Read all directions carefully!
5. Stay positive and do your best

Character Development: **Assertiveness**

This month's character trait is assertiveness. Scholars will demonstrate assertive behavior through courage and self-confidence. Teachers will help scholars display this trait with a variety of activities, help develop proper dialogue and class discussions.