## Houston Gateway Academy

"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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Thanks to the community, our wonderful families, teachers and staff our 1st Annual Fun Fair was a huge success. Congrats to Cristal Leal for winning the top prize. Visit our school website www.hgsaschools.org for pictures

and additional details of the event.

Re-enrollment: Re-enrollment has begun. Return completed forms to your child's homeroom teacher by March 31, 2017.

**Open House-** HGA will host Open House on March 24, 2017 from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Parents will be required to pick up reports with their child's homeroom teacher.

Arrival and Dismissal: As a reminder classes begin promptly at **7:45 a.m.** and dismissal is at **5:00** 

**Upcoming STAAR Exams:** March 28 - Grades 4th and 7th Writing and Grades 5th and 8th Mathematics and March 29 - Grades 5th and 8th Reading (Campus closed to visitors on STAAR testing days)

## Tips for Test Day!

- 1. Get plenty of rest (at least 8 hours) the night before!
- 2. Eat a healthy breakfast! (Breakfast is served from 7:15-7:45 a.m.)
- 3. Come prepared and on time!
- 4. Read all directions carefully!
- 5. Stay positive and do your best!

## **Reading Rockets** Program/Literacy Tips:

Summaries are due on March 8, 2017. Explain how related words have similar spellings and meanings. This will assist with automatically recognizing and understanding unfamiliar words.

**Box Tops:** Support HGA! Please bring box tops to the front office.

Gum: Students are not allowed to chew gum. We want to maintain a clean gum-free environment.

Career Day: HGA will promote college and career readiness with the help of special guest speakers on March 9, 2017 in the multi-purpose room.

## Dates to Remember

Coffee with Principals: Will be on Wednesday, March 21, 2017 in the multi-purpose room at 9:30 a.m.

Character Development: Optimism- This month's character trait is optimism. Scholars will acquire the necessary skills to look at challenges as opportunities for learning. Scholars will demonstrate this trait with a smile and a 'can-do' attitude.

- March 8 Reading Rockets summaries due
- March 9 Career Day
- March 10 End of the 3rd nine weeks
- March 10 Reading Rockets Celebration 1:15-2:15 p.m.
- March 13 through 17 Spring Break
- March 21 Coffee with the Principals at 9:30 a.m. in the multi-purpose room
- March 24 STAAR Pep Rally
- March 24 Open House 2:30 4:00
- March 28 STAAR 4th and 7th Writing/ 5th and 8th Mathematics
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Committed to Excellence-Houston Gateway Academy Ms. Lubiano (Principal) & Mr. Rodriguez (Assistant Principal)