

# 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 #9

**Greetings!** HGA would like to extend a warm thank you to all fathers that attended Donuts with Dad. See their smiley faces online.

**Muffins with Moms:** Please join us as we celebrate mothers during Muffins with Moms on May 16 from 1:30 pm-2:30 p.m. **Summer Reading Challenge:** The Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is a free online program designed to motivate and excite scholars about reading books this summer. Scholars can log the minutes they spend reading, earn virtual rewards, and enter sweepstakes. Teachers will create an account and give login information to the students so that they can log their reading minutes.

**Upcoming exams:** STAAR test **May 8-11.**

**Mathematics** on May 8 (grades 3, 4, 6, & 7), **Reading** on May 9 (grades 3, 4, 6, & 7), **Science** on May 10 (grades 5 & 8), and **Social Studies** on May 11 (8<sup>th</sup> grade). Scholars in grades 3-8 will also take the **ITBS** test May 15-16.

### 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!

**Cinco de mayo Performances:** Please join us as we celebrate Cinco de mayo. Please see schedule below:

- Pre-k 3 (Orozco & Robles): 8:30 am
- Pre-k 4 (Saravia): 8:40 am
- Pre-k 4 (Chairez & Jackson): 8:50 am
- Kinder (Renteria): 9:00 am
- Kinder (Flores): 9:10 am
- Kinder (Cervantes): 9:20 am
- 1<sup>st</sup> (Molina & Ochoa): 9:30 am
- 1<sup>st</sup> (Quiroga & Salazar) 9:40 am
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: 9:50 am
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: 10:00 pm
- 4<sup>th</sup>: 1:30 pm
- 5<sup>th</sup>: 1:40 pm
- 6<sup>th</sup>: 1:50 pm

## Dates to Remember

- **May 1-5: Teacher Appreciation Week**
- **May 8-11: STAAR testing (Campus closed to visitors)**
- **May 5: Cinco de mayo performances/celebration**
- **May 8-19: Dismissal is at 3:30 p.m.**
- **May 12-18: Book Fair**
- **May 16: Muffins with Moms- 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
- **May 15<sup>th</sup>: Awards Ceremony (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)**
- **May 15-16: ITBS testing (Campus closed to visitors)**
- **May 17: Field day (8:30 – 2:00 pm)**
- **May 18: Awards ceremony (Pre-K 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)**
- **May 19: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!! Early Dismissal 12:00 p.m.**

**After School Program:** The last day for the After School Program will be May 4<sup>th</sup>. Schedule for May 8<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> will be as follows: Mon. – Thurs. from 7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Friday schedule remains the same.

**Awards Ceremony:** Schedules for Awards Ceremony will be sent home May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** Will take place May 12-18 in Room# 128. This is a great opportunity to add twice as many books to your child's home library and to use to read over the summer for the Summer Reading Challenge!

**Field Day:** Field Day will take place May 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade End of the Year Dance:** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade will have an End of the Year Dance on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Character Development: School Pride:** This month's character trait is school pride. The learner will obtain the skills necessary to exhibit Cougar Pride. When a learner demonstrates school pride, he or she develops a greater commitment to school, academics, and exhibits further interest in higher learning.