

# 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.”**

September 9, 2016

Post #1

**Welcome back to another school year here at HGA! Please visit the school website for additional information.**

[www.hgaschools.org](http://www.hgaschools.org)

**Communication:** There will be a monthly newsletter sent home with information of what is happening at HGA. Please feel free to contact us at any time with concerns or questions you may have. We can be reached at (713)644-8292.

**Attendance:** Daily attendance is imperative to your child’s education. Higher attendance equals to higher achievers. Also as a reminder school begins promptly at **7:45 a.m.**

**Hispanic Heritage Month:** Houston Gateway Academy will celebrate

Hispanic Heritage Month during the month of September. Our students will identify the contributions of Hispanic Americans to the United States and will have the opportunity to celebrate the rich culture.

**Reading is Power:** To increase good study habits encourage your child to read 15-20 minutes daily and follow each reading period with open-ended questions. “How do you know?...Do you agree with the character?” This will allow you to check for understanding and help her organize her thoughts.

**Conference Period:** Parents are highly encouraged to meet with teachers during their conference period regarding any concerns from Monday through Thursday

and the with ancillary teachers on Fridays.

Pre-K: 2:30 – 3:15

Kinder: 9:45 – 10:30

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: 8:15 – 9:00

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: 9:00 – 9:45

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: 1:45- 2:30

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 10:30 – 11:15

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 2:30- 3:15

6<sup>th</sup> Grade 12:00 – 12:45

7<sup>th</sup> Grade: 12:00 – 12:45

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: 11:15 – 12:00

**Ancillary Teachers:** Each Friday 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

## Dates to Remember

- **Grandparents Day:** Join us for Grandparents Day on Friday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> at **1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
- **Fall Book Fair:** Will be held on Monday, September 26 through Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Books can be purchased during their lunch period.
- **Family Book Fair Night:** HGA families are welcome to purchase books on Thursday, September 29, 2016 in the school cafeteria from **5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**
- **School Uniforms:** Uniform shirts could be purchased at the Elite campus at 7310 Bowie Monday-Wednesday **9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**
- **Hispanic Heritage Program:** Join us on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at **1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** (School Cafeteria)

### Character Development:

#### Courage

The character virtue for this month is **courage**. Teachers and staff will encourage scholars to demonstrate and discuss acts of courage.