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."

September 30, 2016

Greetings Parents: Please visit the school website for additional news. www.hgaschools.org

Attendance: Being in school every day means your child won't miss out on learning. Schedule doctor appointments after school or Friday after 2:30 p.m. Please remember to bring a doctor's or written note anytime your child is absent.

As a reminder school hours are from 7:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Thurs. and 7:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. on Friday and breakfast is served from 7:15-7:40 a.m.

Trick or Treat for UNICEF: During the month of October, HGA will be collecting donations for UNICEF. 100% of the proceeds will go to UNICEF. UNICEF promotes the rights and wellbeing of every child, in everything they do. Together with their partners, they work in 190 countries and territories

to translate that commitment into practical action, focusing special effort on reaching the most vulnerable and excluded children,

Reading is Power: Reading it and experience it. To assist in comprehension, encourage your child to make real-life connections. For instance, if reading a book about fossils and dinosaurs, relate the reading to your last visit to the museum.

Open House: We encourage all parents to visit their child's teacher during Open House on Friday, October 21, 2016 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. All parents will be required to walk in to pick up report cards.

Red Ribbon Week: Houston Gateway Academy will celebrate Red Ribbon Week during the month of October. Students are encouraged to participate in the celebration of saying no to drugs. Post #2
Each day during the week will

have its own unique theme to raise awareness. Red Ribbon Week will be held during October 24-31.

Red Ribbon Week Schedule:

Monday 10/24: "Follow your dreams, don't do drugs." (Pajama day)

Tuesday 10/25: "Sock it to drugs." (Crazy sock day)

Wednesday 10/26: "Hats off to being drug free." (Hat day)

Thursday 10/27: "Team up against drugs." (Sports day)

Friday 10/28: "Wild about being drug free." (Crazy hair day)

Monday 10/31: "I have the power to be drug free." (Superhero day)

Dates to Remember

- Fall Pictures: October 3, 2016 (School Uniform)
- **PSAT:** 8th grade students will be taking the PSAT test on October 19, 2016.
- Vision screening: Vision screening will be conducted on October 25 and 28, 2016.

Character Development:

Uniqueness and Assertiveness

The character virtues for this month are **uniqueness and assertiveness.** Teachers and staff will encourage scholars to demonstrate and discuss uniqueness and assertiveness all month long.