

Coffee with the Counselor

Ms. Andrade

Woodland Acres Middle School

Meeting Agenda

May 29, 2020

- Welcome and Introductions
 - Ms. Andrade, School Counselor
 - Ms. Huerta, CIS

- Campus & District Updates
 - Chromebook and Hotspots return date is June 2nd from 9-11 and 4-6
 - Woodland Acres Elementary – June 1st
 - Woodland Acres Middle- June 2nd
 - **Chromebook Restitution Requirements:**
 - Minor damages: missing keys, scratched screen, damaged port: \$25.00
 - Missing charger: \$25.00
 - Cracked screen: \$50.00
 - Completely damaged, stolen or lost: \$100.00
 - Student attending summer school may keep Chromebooks up until end of June
 - Report Cards available June 5th via Skyward Parent Access
 - Summer School Hours are Mon-Thurs from 12:00-4:00 pm from June 1- June 25
 - RSV- Returning Student Verification will be online. District will send out information directly to parents
 - Student schedules will be available in July via Skyward

- Curbside Meal Pick up- Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays from 10:30 am -12:00

- Texas Education Agency, Optional EOY Assessment
 - <https://tea.texas.gov/student-assessment/testing/student-assessment-overview/optional-end-of-year-assessments>

- COVID-19 101 Webinar via Zoom on June 2nd **(SEE IMAGE D)**
 - [Link to Webinar Zoom meeting: bit.ly/COVID19101](https://bit.ly/COVID19101)

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- SNAP Benefits and PEBT card- **P-EBT is a one-time benefit of up to \$285 and will be issued on an EBT card to assist families during this unanticipated school closure.**
 - English- <https://hhs.texas.gov/services/health/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-covid-19-information-texans/pandemic-ebt-p-ebt-due-covid-19>
 - Spanish- <https://hhs.texas.gov/es/servicios/salud/sesion-informativa-de-medicaid-chip-sobre-covid-19/transferecia-electronica-de-beneficios-durante-la-pandemia-p-ebt-por-el-covid-196>

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The infographic is titled "Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer P-EBT" in large green and white text. It features an illustration of a woman and two children with a grocery bag. Below this is a blue box with a fork and knife icon and the text "P-EBT helps families buy food during COVID-19." To the right, a green box explains that P-EBT is a one-time food benefit for families who lost access to free or reduced-price meals due to school closures. It lists three criteria: children up to 21 years old certified for free or reduced-price meals at school in Texas during the 2019-20 school year; children who attend a school that offers free meals to all students (Community Eligibility Provision or Provision 2); and children ages 5-18 who received SNAP food benefits for March 2020. A blue box shows a sample P-EBT card with the text "TEXAS P-EBT" and "Cardholder Name". Another blue box states "Schools will send eligible families a link to the P-EBT application in early June." Below this, a section titled "Who needs to complete an online application?" lists two criteria: eligible families not enrolled in SNAP, and families with children under the age of 5 or between the ages of 19-21 that received SNAP benefits for March 2020. It notes that SNAP recipients with children ages 5-18 do not need to apply. A section titled "How will eligible families get P-EBT funds?" explains that families currently receiving SNAP will have P-EBT funds loaded onto their current Lone Star Card, while families not currently receiving SNAP will be mailed a P-EBT card loaded with benefits. It states that receiving P-EBT will not affect a family's ability to get other benefits. A final section titled "What can families buy with the P-EBT card?" lists household food items such as fruits, meats/poultry/fish, dairy, and breads, and notes that P-EBT benefits can be used wherever SNAP food benefits are accepted. At the bottom, a green bar contains the text "For more information, visit: hhs.Texas.gov/PEBT".

Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer P-EBT

P-EBT is a one-time food benefit for families who lost access to free or reduced-price meals due to school closures.

P-EBT is for families who meet at least one of the following criteria:

- ✓ Children up to 21 years old who are certified for free or reduced-price meals at school in Texas during the 2019-20 school year.
- ✓ Children who attend a school that offers free meals to all students (Community Eligibility Provision or Provision 2).
- ✓ Children ages 5-18 who received SNAP food benefits for March 2020.

TEXAS P-EBT

0000 0000 0000 0000
Cardholder Name

Schools will send eligible families a link to the P-EBT application in early June.

Who needs to complete an online application?

- Eligible families not enrolled in SNAP.
- Families with children under the age of 5 or between the ages of 19-21 that received SNAP benefits for March 2020.

SNAP recipients with children ages 5-18 **do not** need to apply.

How will eligible families get P-EBT funds?

Families that currently receive SNAP will have P-EBT funds loaded onto their current Lone Star Card. Families not currently receiving SNAP will be mailed a P-EBT card loaded with benefits. Families will get up to \$285 per child. Receiving P-EBT will not affect a family's ability to get other benefits.

What can families buy with the P-EBT card?

Household food items such as fruits, meats/poultry/fish, dairy, and breads. P-EBT benefits can be used wherever SNAP food benefits are accepted.

For more information, visit: hhs.Texas.gov/PEBT

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- GPISD Virtual Graduation on May 31st (see image below)

- **TRADITIONAL GRADUATION CEREMONIES FOR CLASS OF 2020 SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 2020**
- Summer Resources

Food Assistance

North Channel Assistance Ministry	Food Assistance to families.	13837 Bonham St, Houston, TX Call: 713-753-2807
Houston Food Bank	Summer Food Service Program Weekly Home Delivery Services Eligible: All kids 18 and under. Apply online or on phone. Emergency food for families as well.	Houtonfoodbank.org/covid19 Call: 832-369-9360
Texas Health & Human Services	WIC, SNAP - Food Stamp Benefits	10202 I10 East Freeway, Houston www.hhs.texas.gov

Financial Assistance

Gulf Coast Community Services	COVID-19 Utility, Food, Financial Assistance	9320 Kirby Drive, Houston Call: 713-393-4700
Public Utility Commission	Utility Assistance Program	Assistance Hotlines: Call: 888/782-8477 or 512/936-7120
Texas Apartment Association	Rental Assistance Guidance	www.taa.org
Harris County Department of Social Services	Financial, Utility & Housing Assistance	www.harriscountytexas.gov Call: 713-696-7900

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Employment

Texas Workforce Commission	Unemployment & Employment Assistance	www.twc.texas.gov www.workintexas.org
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Housing/Shelter Assistance

US Dept of Housing & Urban Development	Housing Assistance	1301 Fannin St. Houston Call: 713-718-3199 HUD.GOV
Houston Housing Authority	Various Housing Aid Programs	www.Housingforhouston.org
Sarah's House	Family Shelter Placement	Call: 713.475.1480

- Taco Cabana FREE meals for children

Taco Cabana gives out free lunches to kids, all summer long

The only catch is children have to order the free meal through the drive-thru with a parent or guardian. No purchase is necessary.

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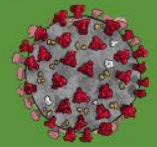
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Microcast and ASM Texas Medical Center chapter present

COVID-19 101

A webinar led by infectious diseases scientists for
young adults, aspiring scientists and families

**Join us as we simplify the science,
public health & clinical aspects of the virus
while discussing future solutions**



**Tuesday, June 2nd 2020
2pm CDT**

**Event hosted on zoom
link bit.ly/COVID19101**

**Have Questions? Submit them to us!
link: bit.ly/COVID19101qs**



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- New Kindergarten Registration - <https://skyward-web.galenaparkisd.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsEPlus/skyenroll.w>

Parents of new-to-district Kindergarten students may now register online for the 2020-2021 school year. This registration opportunity is for students entering Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2020. Online registration is scheduled for May 26 - June 5. While Galena Park I.S.D. campuses are temporarily closed, **all documentation must be uploaded into the online application.**

**GALENA PARK
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

REGISTER TODAY!

**NEW KINDERGARTEN
STUDENT
REGISTRATION** **AVAILABLE
ONLINE
MAY 26 - JUNE 5**

2020-2021 ONLINE REGISTRATION

GALENA PARK I.S.D. STUDENT ADMISSIONS DEPARTMENT
Will conduct online registration for NEW KINDERGARTEN students enrolling in GPISD schools for the first time.
Please visit the website for step-by-step directions on how to complete the online registration and a list of documents you will need to complete the registration process.

**SUPPORT AVAILABLE AT
832.386.1188** **WWW.GALENAPARKISD.COM**

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- **GPISD SUPPORT LINE** -Do you have any school-related questions you would like to have answered? Please call 832-386-1300, and leave your name, your child's name and school, a phone number where you can be reached, and a brief description of your question so we can have the correct person contact you within 24 hours. Please note, this is an automated line.