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## Remembering Harvey...



Flooding on Tidwell was one of the worst scenes during the Hurricane. Ironically, the sign at right says "TIDWELL LAKES". See Page 2 for more History of Hurricane Harvey.

## NEWS NOTES

### Flood Bonds Election Info Session Aug. 21

Tuesday, August 21 at 6:00 p.m. Join Baker Ripley and Judge Ed Emmett for a discussion on the Harris County 2018 Flood Control District Bond Program and Special Election on August 25, 2018 at Baker Ripley East Aldine Campus, 3000 Aldine Mail Rt., Houston 77039. Questions?, Call 346-570-4463.

### Chronic Disease Self-Management Workshop

Sign Up...It's Free at 281-449-3131 ext.127. Every Wednesday from September 12 to October 24 at Harris County Emergency Corps, 2800 Aldine Bender Rd., Houston, TX 77032. Classes start at 10 a.m. Registration deadline August 24. Ad on page 8.

### Green Forest Civic Club Meeting

Green Forest Civic Club meets every last Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall located at 3415 Aldine-Mail Rte. (next to Shipley's Donuts). The next meeting is Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Guest speakers will be candidates running for Gene Green's congressional district position. Please mark your calendar. Neighborhoods covered by GFCC are Eastex Freeway Forest and Fairgreen 1, 2, 3 & 4. Meetings are open to the public. For more information, please contact President Shirley Reed at 281.449.7531 or Secretary Marina Flores Sugg at 281.442.3573.

### Family Strengthening Conference

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren will be hosting this event. Saturday, Sep. 8, 2018, 10 am - 3 pm at M.O. Campbell Education Center, 1865 Aldine Bender, Houston, TX 77032.

## Aldine ISD Jamboree a big success

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner delivered remarks at Aldine ISD's Jamboree on Monday, Aug. 13 at the M.O. Campbell Educational Center. The Jamboree showcased the district's extra curricular programs, such as band, cheerleading, performing arts and athletics. Approximately 3,800 people attended the event.

Aldine ISD Board President Steve Mead waves to the crowd at the Aldine ISD Jamboree held on Monday, Aug. 13 at the M.O. Campbell Educational Center. Pictured along with Mr. Mead are fellow trustees Dr. Kimberley Booker, left, and Dr. Viola M. Garcia, right. The Jamboree showcased the district's extracurricular programs.



See MacArthur Football Team Picture, Page 5.

## School District needs your help to keep students safe through the school year

The first day of school in Aldine ISD is Monday, Aug. 20. This is a reminder for drivers that they will be sharing the road with students and school buses.

District leaders encourage parents to go over safety rules with their children. They also encourage drivers to obey school zones and yield to buses.

### Bus Safety Tips

- Yellow flashing lights mean drivers should slow down because the bus is about to make a stop.
- Red flashing lights mean the bus has stopped. All drivers must stop for buses while the red lights are flashing and the Stop sign is out. It is against the state law to pass a school bus with the red flashing lights on, loading or unloading children. If a roadway is divided, the opposite direction roadway may proceed with caution. Traffic behind the school bus traveling in the same direction MUST stop.
- The area 15 feet around a school bus is



Keep an Eye Out for Children and School Buses

where children are in danger of being hit. Drivers should stop far enough back to allow children necessary space to safely enter or exit a bus. Never pass a stopped bus on the right that is loading or unloading. It is illegal and could have tragic consequences.

• Drivers should be patient. Buses travel at a slower rate and they make frequent stops.

• Drivers should stay alert. Be aware that children will be loading and unloading at bus stops. Children are unpredictable. Children walking to or from their bus are very comfortable with their surroundings. This makes them more likely to take risks, ignore hazards or fail to look both ways when

See Kids Safety, Page 3

## Voting for flood bond underway

HARRIS COUNTY – Voters will have a chance to decide to spend \$2.5 billion dollars to help alleviate flooding, according to County Judge Ed Emmett.

The measure includes a list of 150 potential projects that will be paid for by the bond money, some of it to repair flood damage and some to mitigate future flood risks.

Judge Emmett said "People realize this is our chance to say we are really serious about flood-control, mitigation and resilience."

Emmett continued "If this bond passes, it will not only show we are serious,

it will actually provide \$700 to \$900 million that will be matched by the federal government."

The funding includes \$1.2 billion for drainage improvements, \$12.5 million for new floodplain mapping, and \$1.25 million for an improved early warning system. The money will be spent over a 10 to 15 year period.

Election Day is August 25, the one year anniversary of the time Hurricane Harvey hit the Texas coast

See Flood Bond, P. 8

**KEENEY'S KORNER**  
By  
MIKE KEENEY

## Texans hope for a full season from Watson:

Aggie fans hopeful Fisher is right man for job

Welcome back football, we've missed you!

The 2018 season is right around the corner and while baseball is still the talk of the town thanks to the Astros, football will always be king in these parts. Don't get me wrong, I'm as big of an Astros fan as there is in this area, and am hopeful for another long playoff run in the fall, but injuries and a tepid offense has made things more difficult this time around. Heck, they may not even win their division. The Oakland A's are breathing down their necks and are the hottest team in baseball. It would help to get Jose Altuve and George

Springer back in the lineup (both are out with injuries) and get Carlos Correa's bat going.

But enough about baseball. It's time to turn our attention to the 2018 football season and what story lines we will be following this year.

In college football, all eyes will be on first-year Texas A&M head coach Jimbo Fisher, who was lured away from Florida State last December to be the savior Aggie fans have been looking for for decades. The Aggies handed Fisher \$75

See Football Season is back, Page 5

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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#### mammograms

Offered by The Rose. Screening on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Greater Pure Light Church, 12330 Vickery Rd., 77039. Applications are required for September's screenings, call now 713-306-6439.

#### Free CERT Training

This training can help save lives and protect property. Mondays, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., September 17 - November 5, 2018 at East Aldine District Office, 5333 Aldine Mail Rt., 77039. To sign up, contact lionel.bryant@oem.hctx.net or call 713-274-1749.

#### Citizenship Classes

• LONE STAR COLLEGE GREENSPRING CENTER THURSDAY AUGUST 30, 2018 EVERY THURSDAY FOR 10 SESSIONS 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM, 250 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY E, HOUSTON, TX 77060  
 • EAST ALDINE DISTRICT SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 TO OCTOBER 20, EVERY SATURDAY FOR 10 SESSIONS 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM, 5333 ALDINE MAIL ROUTE RD. HOUSTON, TX 77039  
 • ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 TO OCTOBER 20 EVERY SATURDAY FOR 10 SESSIONS 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM, 501 TIDWELL RD. HOUSTON, TX 77022  
 • ST. LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 TO OCTOBER 20 EVERY SATURDAY FOR 10 SESSIONS 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM, 2131 LAUDER RD. HOUSTON, TX 77039. For more information, call Bonding Against Adversity at 281-799-9076 or 713-471-5832.

#### Citizenship Workshops

• EAST ALDINE DISTRICT SATURDAY AUGUST 25, 2018, 5333 ALDINE MAIL ROUTE HOUSTON, TX 77039  
 • SAN CHARLES BORROMEO, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2018, 901 ROSALANE ST, HOUSTON TX 77039. Registration starts at 8 a.m. for both workshops. Questions? call Bonding Against Adversity at 281-799-9076 or 713-471-5832.

## Pedestrian dies in fatal crash on I-45 N

A pedestrian was killed while attempting to cross Highway 45 North.

The fatal crash happened at 10200 North Freeway (North Interstate Highway 45) about 9:15 p.m. on Monday, August 13.

According to Houston Police, the victim, a pedestrian, was attempting to cross the main lanes of the freeway at 10200 North Freeway (I-45 N) when he

## Program will reimburse eligible homeowners for Harvey-Related repairs

HOUSTON - The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is releasing a new tip sheet for homeowners making repairs to their Harvey-damaged homes. Later this year, the City of Houston will launch a Homeowner Reimbursement Program to reimburse homeowners for eligible repair expenses.

"Houston is a resilient city. Many Houstonians have been working hard to rebuild their homes," said Housing and Community Development Director Tom McCasland. "Help is on the way to assist homeowners with the cost of repairs."

The Homeowner Reimbursement Program is one of five programs the City of Houston will launch to assist homeowners with home repair. Program guidelines outlining the specifics of the program

are being developed now. The tip sheet advises residents about how to prepare to apply to the Reimbursement Program as they make repairs.

"We're advising all homeowners to save receipts, sign contracts for any work completed on their homes, take before and after pictures, build to code, and familiarize themselves with the kinds of expenses that are eligible for reimbursement," said Mayra Bontemps, HCD's Assistant Director for Disaster Recovery. The program will not reimburse homeowners for luxury finishes such as marble countertops, Jacuzzis, or pools. "Not everyone will qualify for the program, but we want to make sure homeowners know about the programs that are coming and how they can get ready," continued Bontemps.

Mayor Turner worked with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State of Texas, and County Judge Emmett to ensure that the City of Houston would administer its own housing recovery programs and that Houston got its fair share of recovery resources. The programs that launch later this year will be the first in more than \$1 billion for housing recovery programming from Hurricane Harvey.

Earlier this year, HCD convened 18 public meetings and conducted an online survey about Houstonians' priorities for housing recovery. More than 800 people attended an in-person meeting, and an additional 700+ participated in the online survey. Please visit [www.houstontx.gov/housing](http://www.houstontx.gov/housing) for updates on housing recovery programs.

## Mattress Mack turns showrooms into shelters

AUSTIN, Texas - As Hurricane Harvey approached Houston last year, thousands of people began gathering their emergency kits and mapping out evacuation routes. Not many Houstonians prepared the way Jim McIngvale did.

"We'd done a fairly decent job of preparing for this hurricane," said McIngvale, owner of Gallery Furniture, who is better known in the area as "Mattress Mack." "We had rented about 20 of these 24-foot trucks with 26-foot beds on them, very high off the ground, to get through a lot of water."

What McIngvale hadn't anticipated was that Harvey would drop so much rain that his drivers wouldn't be able to get from their homes to the trucks at the stores. With plenty of trucks but no drivers, he got on Facebook and broadcasted live, telling Houston-area residents two of his stores

were open as shelters.

He also put out a plea to anyone with a commercial driver's license: Come to the store and we'll pair you up with another person to go out in search of people who needed to be rescued.

"People came in by the droves," McIngvale said. "We gave them the trucks, and they went out and rescued people on the overpasses in the driving rain, they rescued them in convenience stores where they had taken shelter from the rising water and they rescued them in neighborhoods when the Cajun Navy and other people brought them up to [the trucks] in boats."

Survivors loaded into the backs of the trucks 12 people at a time for a ride to one of McIngvale's retail locations.

"People came in, they had dirty water all over them, they had their life's belongings in black plastic trash bags," he said. "It was a very tough situation."

McIngvale made that situation a little easier. For three nights, he welcomed hundreds of people into two of his stores and provided food, water, mattresses and peace of mind. Altogether he estimated survivors got 2,000 nights of sleep in his two stores over three days.

McIngvale's employees patrolled the stores throughout the night in case there was trouble, but the survivors didn't cause any.

"People who had lost everything came in here, and even though they were traumatized, they had a



Jim McIngvale

great attitude, they were happy to be alive," McIngvale said. "They were safe and secure when they walked in here."

McIngvale's good deeds attracted widespread media attention, and all the reporters asked the same question: How could you let total strangers sleep on your fancy couches and mattresses?

"My answer," McIngvale said, "was, 'How could I not?' Winston Churchill once said, 'What type of people do they think we are? We're Texans, and we take care of each other.'"

Hurricane Harvey was the worst of times for Southeast Texas, McIngvale said, but it also was the best of times, thanks to the resilience and helping spirit of the local residents and those who flocked from other states to lend a hand.

"For one brief moment in time, all of us came together," he said. "All we worried about was people, and we took care of each other."

To view a video on this topic, visit [www.facebook.com/FEMAHarvey](http://www.facebook.com/FEMAHarvey).

## Harvey Timeline

- Aug. 13, 2017: Harvey began as a tropical wave off the west coast of Africa.

- Aug. 17, 2017: The National Hurricane Center began tracking Tropical Cyclone Nine. Later that day the storm was named Tropical Storm Harvey.

- Aug. 18, 2017: Tropical Storm Harvey hit the Windward Islands and entered the eastern Caribbean Ocean as a minimal tropical storm.

- Aug. 19, 2017: Tropical Storm Harvey dissipated into a tropical wave.

- Aug. 23, 2017: Harvey reformed into a tropical depression after hitting the warm waters of the Bay of Campeche and the western Gulf of Mexico. The governor of Texas issued a state disaster declaration for 30 counties.

- Aug. 24, 2017: Tropical Storm Harvey strengthened into a hurricane. FEMA established an Incident Support Base at Randolph Auxiliary Airfield near Seguin, Texas, to pre-position supplies including water, meals, blankets and other resources closer to the potentially affected areas, should they be needed and requested by the state. State and local officials would then be responsible for distributing any supplies to their communities.

- Aug. 25, 2017: Harvey became a Category 3 major hurricane and quickly gained strength to become a Category 4 storm. That night, Harvey made landfall on San Jose Island between Port Aransas and Port O'Connor as a Category 4 hurricane. Harvey made a second landfall at Holiday Beach as a Category 3 storm. The president issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Texas.

- Aug. 26, 2017: FEMA's Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) began in Texas. Harvey weakened into a tropical storm. More than 15 inches of rain fell over San Patricio, Refugio, Nueces and Aransas counties as Harvey headed north toward Victoria County. The governor added 20 more counties to the state declaration.

- Aug. 27, 2017: FEMA mobilized four Incident Command Teams, worked with the State of Texas to develop an evacuation and support plan, supported the state with a food task force, set up three Incident Support Bases and a Federal Staging Area in San Antonio (Joint Base San Antonio) and supported 100 shelters for evacuees. The governor adds four more counties to his state declaration. Over the next few days, Harvey dropped up to 60 inches of rain (North American record) in parts of southeast Texas including Fort Bend, Brazoria and Harris counties.

- Aug. 28, 2017: The governor added four more counties to his state declaration. Fifteen to 25 inches of rain fell over much of Aransas, Refugio, San Patricio and Victoria counties.

- Aug. 29, 2017: Tropical Storm Harvey moved back into the Gulf of Mexico.

- Aug. 30, 2017: Harvey made its final landfall near Cameron, La.

- Sept. 7, 2017: The governor signed a proclamation creating the Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas. The State of Texas requested FEMA provide manufactured housing units and travel trailers for Hurricane Harvey survivors.

- Sept. 14, 2017: The governor added two more counties to the disaster declaration.

- Sept. 18, 2017: \$1 billion in disaster assistance and flood insurance claims were in the hands of Texans recovering from Harvey.

- Sept. 22, 2017: The Texas General Land Office signed an agreement with FEMA which includes a new model for simplifying and expediting the transition out of sheltering to short-term and long-term housing recovery efforts.

- Sept. 23, 2017: First extension of the TSA program.

- Sept. 25, 2017: FEMA Community Education and Outreach mission began in the Crosby Ace Hardware store.

- Oct. 7, 2017: First MHU licensed in to Aransas County applicant.

- Oct. 10, 2017: End of first TSA extension.

- Oct. 16, 2017: Two counties added to federal declaration: Grimes and Caldwell.

- Oct. 24, 2017: End of second TSA extension.

- Oct. 31, 2017: Deadline for local and state governments as well as nonprofit organizations to request reimbursements from FEMA Public Assistance.

- Nov. 27, 2017: End of third TSA extension.

- Nov. 30, 2017: Deadline for survivors to register with FEMA.

- Dec. 11, 2017: End of fourth TSA extension.

- March 12, 2018: End of fifth TSA extension.

- April 20, 2018: Last day for most survivors to schedule an inspection for the Direct Assistance for Limited Home Repairs program (DALHR).

- April 23, 2018: End of sixth TSA extension.

- May 31, 2018: End of seventh TSA extension.

- June 1, 2018: FEMA Joint Field Office in Austin became the Texas Recovery Office.

- June 30, 2018: End of the TSA program in Texas.

- Aug. 25, 2018: One year after Hurricane Harvey first made landfall in Texas.

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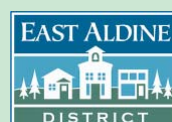
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COMMUNITY NEWS

# Bonding Against Adversity needs your help

A new opportunity to help Bonding Against Adversity and the East Aldine Community. They are calling for dedicated volunteers to help at the Citizenship Workshop on Saturday, August 25 2018 at the East Aldine District with the goal of assisting Lawful Permanent Residents apply for U.S. Citizenship. They need more volunteers than ever to help meet the demand for naturalization assistance. Below are a testimony from Mrs. Brooke, she along with many volunteers came to help every

workshop. "I came to this country when I was 11 years old. While helping my parents with their applications to become citizens, I learned the value of helping others and continue to do so as a teacher and a volunteer. My family once needed help and I understand that other people need help too," said Mrs. Brooks, Hambrick Middle School. Like Mrs. Brook, you can also help them on Saturday August 25th at the East Aldine District by assisting applicants with their Citizenship applica-

tion to become naturalized U.S. citizens. Registration and breakfast will take place at 8:00 a.m. and training at 8:30 a.m. at the East Aldine District facility located at 5333 Aldine Mail Route, Houston, TX 77039. Bonding Against Adversity serving the North Community with our Mission "Helping Others Help Themselves". For more details, please contact Mariana Sanchez, Chief Operating Officer, at 713-471-5832. See you there!!!

# LifeFlight Rescue practices have changed



Taking a patient by air or ground ambulance is now strictly regulated by new standards set by the fed and enforced by State Health Department.

# DPS reminds drivers of traffic dangers associated with new school year

AUSTIN – As the new school year begins, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) cautions Texans to slow down in school zones, and to be aware of children walking to and from school or waiting for buses. Drivers should be especially alert and careful around school buses – which make frequent stops – and always follow traffic laws regarding school buses and school zones. The start of the school year also generates an increase in overall traffic in many areas, and drivers should take extra precautions.

"With school districts across Texas returning to classes in the coming weeks, DPS is urging drivers to slow down and be alert in school zones and wherever children are present," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Motorists who disregard the law and illegally pass

stopped school buses put our schoolchildren in harm's way – and that reckless and irresponsible behavior will not be tolerated by DPS." The moments when students are entering or exiting the bus can be one of the most dangerous times during a child's trip on a school bus. Accordingly, DPS reminds drivers to reduce speed and be aware that children may unexpectedly step into a roadway without checking for oncoming traffic. State law requires that drivers stop when a bus is stopped and operating a visual signal – either red flashing lights or a stop sign. Drivers should not proceed until the school bus resumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed; or the visual signal is no longer activated. Approaching drivers do not have to stop for a school bus that is op-

erating a visual signal if the roadway is separated by a physical barrier or an intervening space. (If a highway is divided only by a left-turning lane, the roadways are not considered separated, and drivers must stop for school buses.) As a reminder, school buses, by law, must stop at all railroad crossings. Drivers who illegally pass school buses face fines up to \$1,250 for the first offense. For individuals convicted of this offense more than once, the law allows the individual's driver license to be suspended for up to six months. (A ticket for illegally passing a school bus cannot be dismissed through defensive driving.) Additionally, this offense could potentially include criminal charges if they cause serious bodily injury to another.

HOUSTON, Tx – One does not have to be very attentive to notice that sirens are blaring more and more. And what standards paramedics and EMT use to determine what to do in each case has to change with it. When LifeFlight is called is now being strictly regulated. According to the Medical Chief of HCESD#5 Christy Graves, "Medics are extensively trained in critical trauma triage criteria to determine if life flight is needed. The decision to launch an air ambulance is one that is closely monitored. Due to the necessity of the asset being in high demand as well as a lot of safety guidelines, medics follow a specific criteria set by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). In 2011 CDC revised the criteria with a panel of experts including Paramedics and Surgeons from across the nation. It had not been upgraded since 1990. Many aren't aware that the first ambulance on scene is counting the number of patients and also checking off the criteria list simultaneously. This is a criteria they memorize and become very proficient in determining. Once the

patient meets the 4 step check list an air ambulance is requested for speed, specialty care and blood. The four sections are: 1. Physiological 2. Anatomic 3. Mechanism of Injury 4. Special Consideration Patients. There is no law rule or requirement for any ambulance to use a helicopter, only that they transport the patient to a trauma center that meets the injury score. "We are evaluated every quarter by the Department of State Health. If we wrongfully utilize an air ambulance asset we are given warnings and will most likely be penalties. This helps to be sure one system is not over utilizing a resource. It is a good check and balance. Every ambulance follows this criteria and signs an affidavit in agreement. This helps develop a national scope of practice that we can all use including those hospitals to which we transport," Graves added. According to Centers for Disease Control, "In the United States, injury is the leading cause of death for persons aged 1-44 years. In 2008, approximately 30 million injuries were serious enough to require the injured person to visit a

hospital emergency department (ED); 5.4 million (18%) of these injured patients were transported by Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Since 1986, the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (ACS-COT) has provided guidance for the field triage process through its "Field Triage Decision Scheme." This guidance was updated with each version of the decision scheme (published in 1986, 1990, 1993, and 1999). In 2005, CDC, with financial support from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, collaborated with ACS-COT to convene the initial meetings of the National Expert Panel on Field Triage (the Panel) to revise the decision scheme; the revised version was published in 2006 by ACS-COT (American College of Surgeons), Resources for the optimal care of the injured patient; 2006. Chicago, IL: American College of Surgeons; 2006. In 2009, CDC published a detailed description of the scientific rationale for revising the field triage criteria (CDC). Guidelines for field triage of injured patients: recommendations of the National Expert Panel on Field Triage."

# Fatal shooting at Music Studio on Sweetwater Lane



Harris County Sheriff's Deputies have identified the man who was killed when someone fired gunshots into a music studio located at 8520 Sweetwater Lane near W. Canino Road. The victim was identified as Jerry Carlton, shot in the chest according to authorities. The shooting occurred last Saturday, August 11 at around 11:20 p.m. The victim was transported to Northwest Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead. It is not known at this time whether the shooter was one person or more, and whether the shooting was a drive-by or at close range near the office where Carlton was working. It appears the bullets may have come from the street, deputies said. Anyone with information on this shooting is asked to call Harris County Homicide Division, at 713-274-9100, or Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS.

# Man dies in hospital after an auto-pedestrian crash on Airline

A man was critically injured in an auto-pedestrian crash at 6200 Airline Drive about 8:45 p.m. on Saturday, August 11. According to Houston Police Officials, the driver of a silver Nissan Xterra was traveling southbound on Airline Drive when a pedestrian failed to yield

the right of way, crossed the street and was struck by the Nissan. HFD paramedics transported the pedestrian to Memorial Hermann Greater Heights Hospital where he died from his injuries. The identity of the victim, 52, is pending verification

by the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, on Sunday (August 12). The male driver of the Nissan remained at the scene, was questioned and released. No charges have been filed as the investigation is continuing.

# Kids Safety,

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crossing the street. • Students should stay at a safe distance away from the roadway while waiting for the bus and no horseplay. Students should stay alert while waiting for the bus. • Students should wait until the bus stops and the driver signals that it is safe to load the bus or cross the street. • Students should respect the rights of others while riding the bus. They should cooperate with the driver and remain in their seat. Distracted Driving In 2017, the Texas Legislature passed a statewide ban on using a wireless communications device for electronic messaging while operating a motor vehicle. Texting, as well as reading or writing email, is prohibited while driving in Texas. Many local areas have passed stricter ordinances which completely limit any cell phone use while driving, so it is the responsibility of drivers to learn the laws in their local areas. The safest policy is to

drive now and use your cell phone later. If you must make a phone call or send a text, pull over. Otherwise, wait until you reach your destination to use the phone. Cell Phone Prohibitions • Drivers cannot send or receive electronic messages in Texas. • Drivers with learner's permits are prohibited from using handheld cell phones in the first six months of driving. • Drivers under the age of 18 are prohibited from using wireless communications devices. • School bus operators are prohibited from using cell phones while driving if children are present. • In school zones, all drivers are prohibited from texting and using handheld devices while driving. Remember, it only takes a split second for an accident to occur. Stay alert, follow the rules and help keep our children safe!

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OPINION PAGE

# How Ready is Your Child for the New School Year?

(StatePoint) Backpack and supplies -- check! So, what's left to do before going back to school? How about finding out how well your child has learned foundational skills that they need to succeed in the next grade?

Ninety percent of K-8 parents believe their child performs at or above grade-level in reading and math, according to Learning Heroes' research. However, the National Assessment of Educational Progress finds that only a little more than a third of students are achieving at that level. What's more, the "summer slide" puts students at risk of losing up to two months of reading skills and two and a half months of math skills over a single summer.

To get a better feel for how prepared your child is for the next grade and how to support their learning at home, check out these tips from Learning Heroes' "Super 5 Back-to-School Power Moves."

1. Get a gut check: Use the Readiness Check to see how prepared your child is for their new grade. Designed by leading experts in reading and math, the Readiness Check instantly provides important information about your child's grade-level progress with reading and math skills after your child answers just three to five questions in each of the two subject areas. The free tool, which is available in both English and Spanish, also connects you to information, videos and activities to help build grade-level skills at home. To access this tool and other resources, visit [belearninghero.org](http://belearninghero.org). Other ways to assess how ready your child is for the new grade include paying attention to how easy or hard it is for them to do

grade-level tasks and looking at their annual state test results from last year. If you haven't received the results yet, ask your child's teacher.

2. Partner up: At your first teacher meeting, bring your child's state test results and ask what they mean for this year. Find out what's expected of your child and how you can provide support at home. Help the teacher get to know your child by sharing their interests and strengths as well. You can also share what you learned from the Readiness Check.

3. Make learning fun: You are the expert on your child and can make learning exciting. Read together, choosing topics that interest your child. Find math in everyday life and turn it into a game. These small learning moments add up to a lot.

4. Celebrate effort: Help your child see that hard work is what leads to success. Focus on effort and what your child is learning. This will help your child feel less nervous about new tasks or subjects.

5. Support life skills: Strengths such as communication, problem-solving, and confidence will help your child in school and life. Talk openly with your child about how they feel and handle situations, especially tough ones.

"Learning happens everywhere -- at home, in the community and in the classroom," says Bibb Hubbard, founder and president of Learning Heroes. "The Super 5 Back-to-School Power Moves can help you use the summer and beginning of the school year to get a more complete picture of where your child is on track, and where more attention and focus may be needed."

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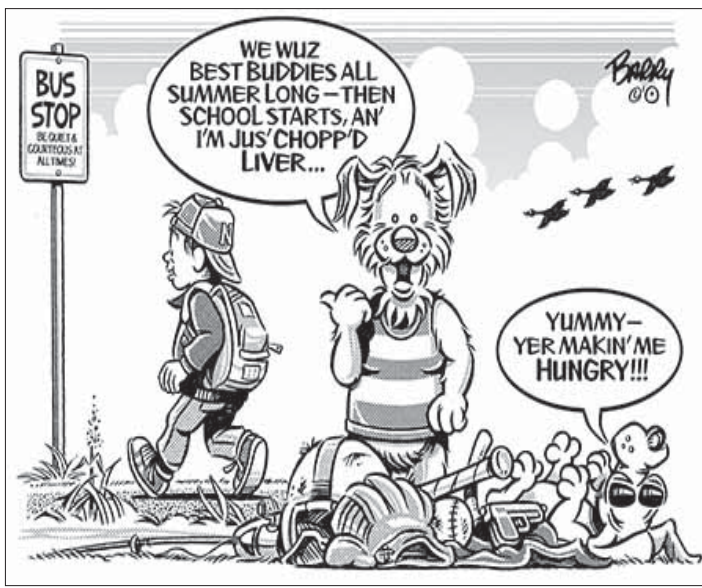
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# TEA releases preliminary financial accountability ratings

AUSTIN — Some 80 percent of public school districts and charters earned the highest-possible preliminary financial accountability rating, according to figures released by the Texas Education Agency on Aug. 8.

The "superior" ratings were calculated using 15 financial indicators, such as administrative cost expenditures, the accuracy of a district or charter's financial information submitted to TEA and any financial vulnerabilities or material weaknesses in internal controls, as determined by an external auditor.

Created by the 77th Texas Legislature in 2001, the School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas encourages public schools to better manage their financial resources to provide the maximum allocation possible for direct instructional purposes, the TEA said.

Any district or charter wishing to appeal its rating must submit a written appeal with supporting evidence to the TEA by Sept. 10. Final ratings will be released in October.

## Bail law changes asked

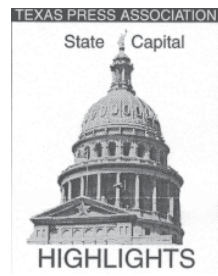
Gov. Greg Abbott on Aug. 7 released a set of proposals to reform the state's bail system.

Abbott urged the Legislature to pass legislation he named the "Damon Allen Act" in honor of a state trooper who was killed in the line of duty last Thanksgiving Day.

If passed, the bill would tie the setting of bail to community safety concerns. A magistrate would be required to consider the criminal history of a defendant and other relevant information, including impact on law enforcement, when setting bail.

In cases involving either felony or misdemeanor charges of sexual offenses and assault, the setting of

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school zones and to be aware of children walking to and from school or waiting for buses.

With the new school year beginning, drivers should be especially alert and careful around school buses and to expect an increase in overall traffic, DPS Director Steven McCraw said.

"Motorists who disregard the law and illegally pass stopped school buses put our schoolchildren in harm's way, and that reckless and irresponsible behavior will not be tolerated by DPS," McCraw said.

Drivers who illegally pass school buses face fines as high as \$1,250 for the first offense. For individuals convicted of that offense more than once, the law allows the individual's license to be suspended for up to six months, the DPS said.

bail would be handled by state district judges and their associate judges.

To protect communities from repeat offenders, the bill would add steps to the bail process, such as required notification of various other agencies through the case management system.

## Revenue is distributed

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Aug. 8 announced his office would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$842.7 million in local sales tax allocations for the month of August.

The amount is 8.2 percent greater than the amount reported in August 2017. The allocations are based on sales made in June by businesses that report tax monthly. For those filing quarterly, the allocations are based on sales made in April, May and June.

## Extra vigilance is urged

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Aug. 8 posted a reminder to all drivers to slow down in

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# Why vote? Social Security, That's why

By Rob Schneider

The next Congress may determine the long-term fate of Social Security.

Social Security is a compact between generations that has worked remarkably well for 83 years. Current workers contribute payroll taxes into the system, and retirees, who paid in throughout their working lives, collect benefits.

Unfortunately, today too many younger workers believe that Social Security won't be there for them. Why do they think that? Because when some members of Congress talk about the budget deficit, they talk about Social Security even though Social Security has never contributed one cent to the federal deficit. Social Security pays for itself, and it has enough money to pay full benefits until 2034. After that, with no changes, Social Security will pay 77 percent of benefits.

How important is Social Security? It's so important that today without it, 41 percent of Texans who are 65 and older would have incomes below the poverty level. Social Security may become even more important to younger people, few of whom have workplace pensions or significant savings.

The sooner Congress addresses Social Security's long-term solvency, the easier it will be to do. Finding the political will is hard though, and including Social Security in deficit discussions is a political smokescreen.

So, the Congress elected in November could decide to improve the program, keep the status quo, or worse, degrade the system.

If you think Social Security is as important as AARP thinks it is, find out if your candidates are truly committed to preserving the promise of Social Security. All candidates say they are for Social Security, but don't let them off the hook. Instead, find out if they will support cost-of-living increases that keep up with inflation. Find out if they would raise the retirement age. Find out if they would raise the cap on Social Security payroll taxes above the current \$128,400. Find out if they would work to reduce waits on the phone or at Social Security office so people can get the assistance they need.

Once you have the answers to these questions, you can decide whether a candidate has earned your vote. Then, show up in November and elect a Congress that has the will and commitment to honor the 83-year-old promise of Social Security.

Rob Schneider is the director of advocacy at AARP Texas.





SPORTS

# Football Season is Back,

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million to make the Aggies relevant in college football toughest conference, the Southeastern Conference and give Nick Saban and Alabama run for their money. Aggie fans are sick and tired of finishing in fourth place in the rugged SEC West and Fisher just might be the man to get them over the hump.

Fisher has the pedigree to get the job done as evidenced by his 83-23 (78% winning percentage) record in eight years in Tallahassee. For those keeping score, that's an average of 10 wins a year. He also won the 2013 national championship, is a great offensive coach and more importantly, an excellent recruiter. The Aggies will be better in 2018, but once he gets his type of player in College Station (he currently has a top five recruiting class for 2019 in place) look for A&M to be a yearly contender for the SEC title, even with Saban still around prowling the sidelines in Tuscaloosa.

Aggie fans should have a pretty good idea of what sort of season will be in store for them early when they host a very talented Clemson team on Sept. 8 at Kyle Field. If the Aggies can compete with the Tigers, the turnaround could come quicker than some people think. Two weeks later, the Aggies play at Alabama.

Former head coach Kevin Sumlin, who is now the head coach at Arizona, left Fisher with some decent talent. He has two good quarterbacks in Kellen Mond (117-227, 1,375 yards, 6 TD passes) and Nick Starkel (123-205, 1,793 yards, 14 TD passes). Mond is the better runner and Fisher likes his quarterbacks to be mobile, but the new head coach has yet to name a starter. The running game will be in the capable hands of Trayveon Williams (798 yards rushing, 8 TDs).

While A&M fans are optimistic about their future, University of Texas fans are hoping this is the year their high-priced coach starts paying off. Tom Herman was hired away from the University of Houston two years ago to turn around a mediocre UT program and while his first year wasn't all that, they did finish with a winning record (7-6) and won a bowl game. Herman expects his team to contend for the Big 12 title this year, but that's asking a lot for a team with a huge question mark at the game's most important position, namely quarterback. UT returns two experienced signal callers in junior Shane Buechele (137-213, 1,405 yards, 7 TD passes) and sophomore Sam Ehlinger (158-275, 1,915 yards, 11 TD passes). Ehlinger is the better athlete, but he had turnover problems last year. If he does a better job of protecting the ball, he should win the job and that should open up things for the UT offense. Texas has a veteran offensive line, but is looking for help in the running game. The Texas defense should be very good, and may have to carry the team early while Herman sorts things out on offense. Texas fans should get a pretty good idea of how much their team has improved when they host USC Sept 8 in Austin. A win over the Trojans could give the 'Horns a huge shot of confidence as they look to make waves in the Big 12 against the likes of Oklahoma, TCU and West Virginia.

Offense will once again rule in the Big 12. Defending conference champ Oklahoma lost its starting quarterback, Heisman Trophy winner Baker Mayfield who was the No. 1 pick in the 2018 NFL draft, but the OU offense should be fine this year with former Aggie Kyler Murray (142 yards rushing, 359 yards passing, 3 TD passes) running things. Murray will get a lot of help from running back Rodney Anderson (1,161 yards passing, 18 total TDs in 2017) and the defense will once again be solid.

TCU should also contend for the Big 12 title. The Horned Frogs will have an inexperienced quarterback in Shawn Robinson, so look for running back Darius Anderson 788 yards rushing, 8 TDs) to carry the offensive load until Robinson gets comfortable running the offense.

**West Virginia** could be scary good on offense with the return of quarterback Will Grier (3,490 yards passing, 34 TD passes) and outstanding wide receivers in Gary Jennings (97 receptions, 1,096 yards, 1 TD) and David Sills V (60 receptions,

980 yards, 18 TDs). **Texas Tech** might have a say as well. This could be a make or break year for popular head coach Kliff Kingsbury. Things could be topsy turvey in Lubbock this year, as the defense returns 10 starters and played well down the stretch, but the offense might struggle with an inexperienced signal caller. It's been years since the Red Raiders had a question mark at

Justin Fields (6-3, 225 pounds) who will be waiting in the wings should Fromme falter. In the Big 12, there's more drama off the field than there is on it at the moment. Ohio State placed head coach Urban Meyer on paid administrative leave for his handling of an assistant coach's domestic abuse allegations. The jury is out on whether or not Meyer will keep his job and that could be a huge

Speaking of quarterbacks who are coming back from a knee injury, Houston Texan fans are hoping DeShaun Watson lasts an entire season after being limited to only seven games in 2018. Before Watson suffered his season-ending knee injury on Nov. 2, the rookie QB from Clemson wowed Texan fans and the rest of the NFL with 19 touchdown passes, two rushing touchdowns and 1,699 yards

on third downs. The Dallas receiving corps is new as the Cowboys traded for Tavon Austin and signed former Jaguar Allen Hurns. If the new additions mesh with Prescott, then the Dallas offense might be OK, but if they struggle, look for Elliott to get a ton of carries and be used as a receiver out of the backfield. The 2018 NFL season should be an interesting one. Will this be Tom Brady's final season? Will

touchdown passes away from breaking his all-time TD pass mark. Look for Brees, if he stays healthy, to break Manning's passing mark this year and the touchdown mark in 2019. It's good to have football back and good to be able to share my thoughts and picks with you for another year. Speaking of picks, here are my fearless predictions for both the 2018 college and NFL seasons.

**NCAA**

**ACC**

Atlantic Division – Clemson Coastal Conference – Miami Conference Champion – Clemson

**Big 10**

East Division – Penn State West Division – Wisconsin Conference Champion – Wisconsin

**Big 12**

Conference Champion – Oklahoma (over West Virginia in Big 12 title game)

**Pac 12**

North Division – Washington South Division – Arizona Conference Champion – Washington

**SEC**

East Division – Georgia West Division – Alabama Conference Champion – Alabama

**CFP Semifinals**

Cotton Bowl – Alabama vs. Wisconsin Orange Bowl – Clemson vs. Georgia

**CFP Champion**

Alabama

**NFL**

AFC East – New England AFC North – Pittsburgh AFC West – Los Angeles AFC South – Jacksonville

AFC Wild Cards – Houston and Baltimore

AFC Title Game – New England over Pittsburgh

NFC East – Philadelphia NFC North – Minnesota NFC West – Los Angeles NFC South – Atlanta

NFC Wild Cards – Dallas and Green Bay

NFC Title Game – Los Angeles over Philadelphia

Super Bowl LII – New England over Los Angeles

## Aldine Sports Jamboree,

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Members of the MacArthur High School football team wait to be introduced during the Aldine ISD Jamboree, held on Monday, Aug. 13 at the M.O. Campbell Educational Center. The Jamboree attracted approximately 3,800 people and was held to showcase the district's extracurricular programs.

QB, but they do this year as little known McLane Carter and Jeff Duffey battle for the job. It's a good thing Tech has an experienced and talented offense line returning to take pressure off the two inexperienced quarterbacks.

In the SEC, it appears Alabama will be the team to beat in the West and Georgia should roll through the East.

Nick Saban's team is the defending national champs, but did not even make it to the SEC title game a year ago. Saban turned to his youngsters to pull off a 26-20 win over Georgia in the College Football Playoff championship game as he benched starting quarterback Jalen Hurts (2,081 yards passing, 17 TDs; 855 yards rushing, 8 TDs) after an ineffective first half and inserted Tua Tagovailoa, who ignited a second-half comeback to force the game into overtime. Tagovailoa threw the game-winning touchdown pass in OT to hand Saban his fifth national title at Alabama (sixth overall) and begin a quarterback controversy that has yet to be settled.

It will be interesting to see whom Saban names as his starting QB and while he is at it he has to replace a boatload of talent on defense, but Crimson Tide fans need not worry, there is plenty of young talent on hand to pick up the slack. The 'Bama offense, which returns a ton of talent, might be called on to carry this team early while the young defenders adjust to playing big time college football.

**Mississippi State and Auburn** could give 'Bama a battle in the West. The Tigers won the West last year and beat up the Tide in their annual grudge match. They also return a pretty fair QB in Jarrett Stidham (3,158 yards passing, 18 TDs).

As stated earlier, Georgia should rule the East. The Bulldogs are loaded on both sides of the ball. Head coach Kirby Smart, who served as Saban's defensive coordinator for a number of years, returns Jake Fromme (2,615 yards passing, 24 TDs) at quarterback and even though the Bulldogs lost two stellar back in Sony Michel and Nick Chubb to the NFL, D'Andre Swift (618 yards, 3 TDs as a true freshman) should be ready to explode on the scene. Georgia also landed one of the country's top quarterbacks

distraction in Columbus. OSU is also breaking in a new quarterback in Dwayne Haskins, but they have one of the country's top running backs in sophomore J.K. Dobbins (1,403 yards rushing, 7 TDs). Look for Penn State to be the team to beat in the Big 12 East. They have a veteran quarterback in Trace McSorley (3,570 yards, 28 TD passes), but must find a capable replacement for the NFL's No. 2 pick, running back Saquon Barkley. PSU also has a favorable schedule as they get Michigan State, Ohio State and Wisconsin at home.

**Wisconsin** should be the team to beat in the West as the Badgers return their starting quarterback in Alex Hornibrook (2,644 yards passing, 25 TD passes) and super-talented sophomore running back Jonathan Taylor (1,977 yards rushing, 13 TDs).

Clemson looks like the class of the ACC and could be scary good on defense. Dabo Swiney's team has three defensive linemen who should be first round picks in the 2019 NFL draft. In 2018, Clemson was ranked fourth in the nation in defense and should be ever better this year. Look for quarterback Kelly Bryant (2,802 yards passing, 13 TDs; 665 yards rushing, 11 TDs) to be much improved in his second year as the Tigers starter.

All conference champions, and Notre Dame, will be vying for the four College Football Playoff spots that are up for grabs. The national semifinals will be played on Dec. 29. The Cotton Bowl and Orange Bowl will host the semis and the CFP title game will be played on Jan. 7 at Levi Stadium in Santa Clara, CA.

While the 2018 college football season will culminate in California, the 2018 NFL season will play its ultimate game in Atlanta at Mercedes-Benz Stadium on Feb. 3.

**The Philadelphia Eagles** are the defending Super Bowl champs as they defeated the New England Patriots 41-33 in Super Bowl LII behind back up quarterback Nick Foles (971 yards passing, 6 TDs and one interception in three playoff games).

Foles might have to start the season while reigning NFL MVP Carson Wentz (3,296 yards passing, 27 TDs in 13 games) recovers from an ACL injury. Foles proved he is a capable replacement and the Eagles should get by until Wentz returns.

passing. Had he remained healthy, Watson was projected to throw 43 TD passes. I'd say the Texans have finally found a quarterback!

With wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins (96 receptions, 1,378 yards receiving, an NFL best 13 TD receptions) hitting his stride, the Houston offense could be one of the best in the NFL this season. New General Manager Brian Gaine revamped the offensive line during the offseason and they will be a key to giving Watson the time he needs to connect with Hopkins and speedy and bulked up wide receiver Will Fuller.

Defensively, the **Texans** get defensive end J.J. Watt and linebacker Whitney Mercilus back from injuries. Their return should bring vast improvement to a defense that was one of the worst in the league in 2018. Watt and Mercilus will join with Jadeveon Clowney to form a formidable pass rush. The secondary was improved in the offseason with the signings of defensive backs Tyran Mathieu (formerly of Arizona) and Aaron Colvin (formerly with Jacksonville).

The Texans should be improved from last year's 4-12 record, but they will have a tough go of it in a much-improved AFC South where Jacksonville is the team to beat. Still, I can see the Texans competing for a Wild Card slot.

Up I-45, **Dallas Cowboy** fans are hoping Ezekiel Elliott returns to his 2017 form to lead the way on offense. The multi-talented Elliott was suspended for six games last year and when he was gone, so was the Dallas offense. In 10 games, Elliott rushed for 983 yards, scored 7 rushing touchdowns and grabbed two receiving touchdowns. His presence, and a healthy Dallas offensive line, could be a big boost to third-year quarterback Dak Prescott (3,324 yards passing, 23 TD passes). Prescott struggled with Elliott out, but should be ready for a busy year now that he knows his speedy tailback is back for the full 16-game schedule.

Prescott will be without two huge offensive weapons this year as wide receiver Dez Bryant was let go in March and tight end Jason Witten retired to serve as the analyst for ESPN's Monday Night Football. Witten might be the biggest loss for Prescott, who counted on the future Hall of Famer to be his security blanket

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LIFESTYLE

HCC to host Career Pathways Day

HOUSTON (August 16, 2018) -- Houston Community College will host a "Change Your Life: Career Pathways Day" Thursday, August 23. The event will provide the community with an opportunity to discover how to earn a degree or certificate, learn how to start and grow a business, speak with faculty experts, receive registration assistance, and explore available career options.

The event will also provide resources from the Houston Food Bank, Houston Public Library, and Avenue CDC for those who qualify.

Additionally, HCC will share information on the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Initiative, Houston Minority Business Development Agency, HCC Business Center of Excellence and Texas Workforce Commission training opportunities for current and future entrepreneurs.

The Career Pathway Day will take place at HCC Acres Homes Campus, 630 W. Little York, Houston, TX 77091 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday, August 23.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit hccs.edu/careerday.

HCC offers free tuition for Seniors

HOUSTON (August 17, 2018) -- If you are 65 or older, Houston Community College has an education deal for you. HCC is offering free tuition and waiving mandatory fees for up to six credit hours per semester for students in that age group. In addition, students between 55 and 65 can receive a 50 percent discount on their tuition. The discounts apply to academic and workforce courses that have not already been filled by students paying full price.

If you are in the first group, those 65 and older, the following requirements apply:
• Texas resident or non-resident who is 65 at start of the term

• Enrolled in semester credit hour (academic) course only
• To receive continuation of the discount, student must receive a grade point average of 2.0

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• Texas resident or non-resident who is 55 at start of the term
• Enrolled in classes for which the college receives tax support
• To receive continuation of the discount, student must receive a grade point average of 2.0 or, for Continuing Education and Non-credit courses, a measurement of satisfactory completion

Chancellor Cesar Maldonado credits the HCC Board of Trustees with proposing the discount program. "I want to thank the board members for their vision in helping to extend educational opportunities to older students," Maldonado says. "I am a strong advocate of lifelong learning and this program is a great example of that philosophy."

The fee discounts apply only to those that are mandatory and paid by all students, regardless of their classes. Some courses may have additional specific charges that will have to be paid.

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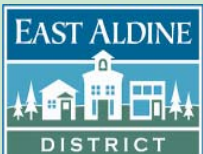
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