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DPS Reminds Texans of Safety Tips for Halloween

Mobile app helps users check for sex offenders near trick-or-treat route

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging drivers to use extra caution in areas where children are likely to be gathering this Halloween. DPS is also encouraging parents and trick-or-treaters to make safety a priority.

“Halloween can be a fun time for children and families, and we encourage Texans to enjoy this time responsibly,” said DPS Director Steven McCraw. “Drivers can do their part to keep Halloween celebrations safe by using extra caution and watching out for pedestrians along neighborhood streets. Parents and children should also keep safety tips in mind while trick-or-treating.”

Drivers should expect and be prepared for children and adults walking along streets and in neighborhoods. DPS offers the following tips to help ensure the safety of Texans on our roadways during Halloween:

- Don’t drink and drive. (Designate a sober driver or take a cab.)
- Eliminate distractions, including the usage of mobile devices.
- Slow down; and further reduce speeds in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.

Texans can also stay safe by using these Halloween safety tips:

- Look both ways before crossing roadways, and always walk; don’t run.
- Cross the roadway at intersections and crosswalks.
- Travel in groups with adult supervision.
- Do not enter the cars or homes of strangers, and avoid homes without visible porch lights.
- Make sure children know their home phone number and how to call 911 or their local emergency number in case they have an emergency or become lost.
- Take all treats home for an adult to inspect before eating anything, and never eat unwrapped candy.

Individuals should also keep the following tips in mind when selecting a costume:

- Avoid toy guns and knives – they could be mistaken for a real weapon.
- Wear costumes that are light in color, or place reflective material on the costume, so drivers can see you.
- Consider using face paint instead of masks to allow for better visibility and peripheral vision.
- Carry a flashlight.

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SBOE names 10 businesses as Employers for Education Excellence

The State Board of Education today named 10 Texas businesses as the 2014 Employers for Education Excellence (EEE). From the U.S. Army to a grocery store, these employers and their staffs are recognized for their ongoing support and commitment to Texas public schools.

"I would like to congratulate, and thank, these businesses on being named Employers for Education Excellence," said Barbara Cargill, chair of the State Board of Education. "Each is to be commended for the valuable support and many resources they and their employees provide to our Texas public schools."

The EEE Awards are given in three categories – Gold, Silver and Bronze. For the 2014 award, six companies received a gold award, three received a silver award and one company received a bronze award.

Winners in the Gold Award category have implemented policies that: encourage and support employees who attend parent-teacher conferences; encourage employees to volunteer in school activities; and support employees that participate in student mentoring programs.

The 2014 EEE recipients are:

Silver Award

Insperty - Kingwood

Insperty, a national organization that provides human resource services to small and medium-sized businesses, has consistently provided outstanding volunteer services and dedication to the Humble ISD. For more than 15 years, Insperty employees have been long-time volunteers and committed community partners to the district. In the 2013-14 school year, Insperty donated more than \$200,000 to the district, while 65 percent of their employees volunteered in the district. In addition to aiding teachers, volunteers serve as mentors, host job shadowing days, serve as science fair judges, engage with the Parent-Teacher Organizations and other school-based programs. The company is also a major supporter of the Humble ISD Education Foundation and hosts several fund-raising activities throughout the year including a golf tournament, barbecue cook-off and the Foundation's annual gala.

The EEE award was established in 2007 by the Texas Legislature to honor Texas employers who encourage and support staff participation and voluntarism in the public schools.

Any Texas employer is eligible to win the award, including private companies, nonprofit organizations, and state, local, federal and educational entities. Recognized businesses receive a plaque and the EEE designation is recognized for three years.

Bear Branch Elementary Class of 2022 Manners Banquet 2014



Representative Huberty recently spoke at the Class of 2022 Bear Branch Elementary School's Manners Banquet. 5th graders throughout H.I.S.D. attend this banquet designed to encourage the use of proper etiquette, promote confidence, and celebrate the transition from elementary to middle school.

New Location of the DMV Houston Regional Service Center

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) is relocating its Houston Regional Service Center currently located at 7721 Washington Avenue. Effective October 27, 2014, the Houston office will move into its new facility at 2110 East Governors Circle, approximately four miles from the current regional office. There should be no interruption in service to our customers.

The Regional Service Center provides certain, specific services to the public which include:

- Replacement of a title should the original be lost, destroyed, or stolen
- Bonded title rejection letters
- Apportioned motor carrier registration (i.e. International Registration Plan)
- Annual permits
- Investigating and resolving Texas title errors

While the location may be changing, our customers can still contact us at the current number (713) 802-4300 with any questions.

Presenting Texas House Resolution to Humble ISD Council of PTA's

Representative Huberty has the opportunity to present a Texas House Resolution to the Humble ISD Council of PTA's as they kicked-off their "Back the Future" Campaign.



Vote Texas Resources from the Texas Secretary of State

It is that time again to exercise your right to vote. This year, we are pleased to be working with Texas Secretary of State Nandita Berry and the official [Vote Texas](#) campaign to make sure all Texas voters know when, where, and how to vote. I'm sure you believe, as I do, that voting is a fundamental right and a responsibility. Voting is an opportunity to make your voice heard, so please make note of the voting information and resources below.

Bring Your ID

When you vote, please remember Texans are now required to present a photo ID at the polls. Just choose one of the following:

1. Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
2. Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
3. Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS
4. U.S. military identification card containing your photograph
5. U.S. citizenship certificate containing your photograph
6. U.S. passport
7. Free Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the photo ID must be current or expired no more than 60 days.

If you do not have an approved ID, you can apply for a free Election Identification Certificate from the DPS. If you have a documented disability, you can apply for a permanent exemption from the photo ID requirement. And, in almost every circumstance, voters who vote by mail will not need photo ID.

Consider Early Voting

Remember, any registered voter can take part in early voting and you may vote at any polling location in the county where you are registered. Early voting can be very convenient because you can fit it into your schedule and pick the voting location that works best for you.

Friday, October 31st, is the **Last Day of Early Voting** in Texas. Polls are **open from 7 AM to 7 PM**.

There are three Early Voting locations in House District 127:

Kingwood – Kingwood Branch Library – 4400 Bens View Ln., Kingwood, TX 77345

Humble – Octavia Fields Branch Library – 1503 S. Houston Ave., Humble, TX 77338

Atascocita – Northeast Houston Baptist Church – 18000 W. Lake Houston Pkwy., Humble, TX 77346

If you prefer to vote on Election Day, the polls are generally open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. It's a good idea to find your voting location ahead of time, and you can do that at [VoteTexas.gov](#).

Engage and Learn More

For more information about the voting process in Texas, please:

- Visit [VoteTexas.gov](#)
- Like [Facebook.com/VoteTexas](#)
- View videos and ads at [YouTube.com/TexasSOSOffice](#)
- Follow [@VoteTexas](#) on Twitter and Instagram
- Call the state's official toll-free hotline: **1-800-252-VOTE (8683)**

And remember to tell your family and friends about these resources and deadlines, and let us know if we can help you exercise your right to vote!



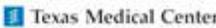
Hiring Red, White & You 2014

Hiring Red, White & You!
Statewide Hiring Fair
SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2014

Join the Texas Workforce Commission and our 28 Workforce Solutions partners for the **Hiring Red, White & You!** statewide hiring fair!

The fair is designed to connect Texas veterans and their spouses with area employers looking for qualified candidates for a variety of positions who can bring valuable experience and discipline to the workplace.



Hosted by the Texas Workforce Commission | www.texasworkforce.org/hrwy

Join the Texas Workforce Commission and 28 Workforce Solutions Partners for the third annual [Hiring Red, White and You](http://www.texasworkforce.org/hrwy) hiring event to take place on November 13, 2014. **“Hiring Red, White and You!”** connects Texas veterans and their spouses with area employers who value the experience and discipline inherent with a military background. Since 2012, over 19,000 veterans and more than 2,800 employers attended the statewide hiring event. For more information on the event, please visit the TWC website at the following link: <http://www.twc.state.tx.us/svcs/vetsvcs/hiring-red-white-you.html>

Gov. Perry Names Texas Task Force on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response

Gov. Rick Perry today announced the creation of the Texas Task Force on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response, which will assess and enhance the state’s existing capabilities to prepare for and respond to pandemic disease, such as the Ebola virus. The governor named Dr. Brett P. Giroir as director of the task force, heading up a team of internationally renowned experts in epidemiology and infectious disease.

“Over the past several days we have learned a lot about the unique challenges of situations like this, and it’s important that we continue to adapt our response to these realities,” Gov. Perry said. “This task force will develop a comprehensive, long-term plan to ensure Texas deals effectively with any potential outbreak, building on our existing State Emergency Plan and will cover all phases of preparedness and response.” The governor also called on the federal government to immediately begin enhanced screening procedures at all points of entry, including obtaining additional information, checking temperatures and staffing quarantine stations to help prevent the disease from entering the country.

The task force will provide expert, evidence-based assessments, protocols and recommendations related to the current Ebola response, and develop a strategic emergency management plan for incident command teams and their partners at the state and local levels of government. This plan will build upon the existing State of Texas Emergency Management Plan, which addresses multiple aspects of preparing for, responding to and recovering from public health and medical crises in the state.

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"We live in an interconnected world, where an outbreak anywhere is a risk everywhere. As a result, control of future potential disease outbreaks will present even greater challenges," Giroir said. "Preparedness requires clear, decisive, and prospective management aimed not only at rapid response, but also long-term solutions. The timelines for containment of a serious outbreak mandate that we are fully prepared for the worst-case scenario, no matter what form that may take."

In addition to developing a comprehensive plan to ensure Texas is prepared for the potential of widespread outbreak of infectious diseases, the task force will serve as a resource for Texas leadership and citizens, as well as leaders of other states. The task force will be comprised of Texas Health and Human Services Executive Commissioner Dr. Kyle Janek and Texas Department of State Health Services Commissioner Dr. David Lakey, as well as public health experts, epidemiologists and leadership from state agencies that would be involved in the response to a pandemic event. Members of the task force are as follows:

- **Dr. Gerald Parker:** vice president, Public Health Preparedness and Response, Texas A&M Health Science Center. Dr. Parker will serve as deputy director of the task force.
- **Dr. Tammy Beckham:** director, Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostics Laboratory and the Institute for Infectious Animal Diseases, Texas A&M University
- **Dr. Peter Hotez:** founding dean, National School of Tropical Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine; professor, Departments of Pediatrics and Molecular Virology & Microbiology; President, Sabin Vaccine Institute
- **Dr. Thomas Ksiazek:** virologist and an expert in the field of Epidemiology/ecology and laboratory diagnosis of hemorrhagic fevers and arthropod-borne viral diseases, University of Texas Medical Branch Sealy Center for Vaccine Development
- **Dr. James LeDuc, Ph.D.:** director, Galveston National Laboratory; professor of Microbiology and Immunology and director of the Program on Global Health, Institute for Human Infections and Immunity
- **Dr. Scott Lillibridge:** professor of epidemiology and assistant dean, Texas A&M Health Science Center School of Public Health
- **Dr. Victoria Sutton:** Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development; Director, Center for Biodefense, Law and Public Policy, Texas Tech University School of Law
- **Richard Hyde:** executive director, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- **Tim Irvine:** executive director, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
- **Nim Kidd:** chief, Texas Division of Emergency Management
- **Col. Steve McCraw:** executive director, Texas Department of Public Safety
- **Maj. Gen. John Nichols:** Adjutant General of the State of Texas
- **Lt. Gen. Joseph Weber:** executive director, Texas Department of Transportation
- **Michael Williams:** commissioner, Texas Education Agency

The task force will issue written reports on its findings and recommendations, including legislative recommendations, to the governor and Legislature. The first report is due by Dec. 1, 2014 and the second by Feb. 1, 2015, with the potential for additional reports as the task force deems necessary.

Upcoming Events

Friday, October 31st

Last Day of Early Voting in the General Election

To view a sample ballot, visit <http://www.harrisvotes.com/SampleBallot/SampleBallot.pdf>

Tuesday, November 4th

Election Day

To find your polling location and sample ballot, visit <http://www.harrisvotes.com/VoterBallotSearch.aspx?L=E>

Change of Command Ceremony – Texas State Guard



Major Huberty attended the “Change of Command” Ceremony for the Texas State Guard recently. The event celebrated the retirement of Major General Manuel Rodriguez and swearing-in of the new commander, Major General Jake Betty.



