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Noted author accepts South Early College HS students' invitation to visit school for Q&A

WHAT: South Early College High School will celebrate a special Literacy Day with a visit by Shaytee Gadson, author of *Hallelujah! in Hollywood: A True Hollywood Story*. The memoir has been endorsed by Academy Award-winning actress Susan Sarandon.

Students at the Houston Independent School District high school recently read Gadson's book and extended an invitation to the author to visit their school for a Q&A, which Gadson accepted. Gadson will spend all day Friday speaking to several English classes, taking students' questions and promoting the importance of literacy.

While at South Early College High School, the author will also announce the finalists in his "StudentsSoLIT" nationwide literary contest.

Media is invited to interview the author and his fans at South Early College High School

WHO: Author **Shaytee Gadson**; South Early College High School Principal **Steven Gourrier**; students; and staff

WHEN: Friday, May 17
11 a.m.

WHERE: South Early College High School, 1930 Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77051

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