

# HISD MEDIA ADVISORY

## Blackshear ES to unveil new community-inspired campus mural celebrating academic achievements

**WHAT:** Blackshear Elementary School will officially unveil a new campus mural, which celebrates the school's recent academic achievements and improvement in literacy. The project is a tribute to the entire Third Ward community where Blackshear is located. It depicts the community's role in elevating academics on the long-standing campus.

The theme of the mural is *Breaking the Chain*, alluding to barriers that can keep children from reaching their full potential. The work of art was funded through Wells Fargo's Community Uplift Grant.

Following the unveiling, free backpacks will be provided to Blackshear students and families.

**WHO:** HISD Board of Education Trustees; Blackshear ES Principal **Alicia Lewis**; representatives from Wells Fargo; representatives from the University of Houston; representatives from the Kinder Foundation; Third Ward community leaders; HISD students, parents, and staff.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, Aug. 14  
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Blackshear Elementary School, 2900 Holman St., 77004

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