

Sinclair StarGazer

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

9/7	Labor Day
9/15	Sinclair's Grandparents Day
9/15	Open House
9/22	Fall Begins
9/24	PTA Meeting
9/28	Fall Holiday

SINCLAIR T-SHIRTS

Sinclair Superstars T-shirts are mandatory for all Field Trips. Your child can also wear them every Friday! Take advantage of our Back to School special. You can get any size T-shirt, sweatshirt, and a magnet for only \$20 (while supplies last). You can purchase them from the School Store which is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Size XS is on its way.

If your child has outgrown their previous Sinclair T-shirt, we ask that you consider donating it back to the school.



PARKING & PICK UP

When picking up your child from school, please remember that buses get priority in the front. This helps to keep traffic flowing. The **NO PARKING** areas are painted red along the curb. Thank you!

LUNCH TIME!

HISD and Sinclair Elementary want to make sure that every child has a nutritious meal. If your child plans to eat at school, a **menu** is available online at:

<http://www.houstonisd.org/portal/site/FoodServices>

Free or Reduced Lunches can also be applied for here. Paper applications can still be picked up from the school office.

HISD now uses a system called **Parent Online**. This is an online meal payment system that allows you to prepay for meals with your credit card. Useful features of this system are:

- ★ Balance and purchase history
- ★ Notification by e-mail when your balance is low
- ★ No lost or stolen money
- ★ Restriction of individual foods if you prefer your child to avoid them

Register now @ www.parentonline.net

You will be asked for a username and password, your child's school name and their student ID number. There is a 5% convenience fee per transaction for this service.

Lunch \$1.60 Reduced Lunch \$0.40

Breakfast is free for all students.

JAYCEE PARK FUNDRAISER

Jaycee Park, located at Grovewood and Seamist in Timbergrove, is being renovated! Friends of Jaycee Park are having a coin drive on Saturday, September 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to fundraise for a new playground, walking trail, and resurfaced basketball and tennis courts. Volunteers will be going door-to-door in Timbergrove and Lazybrook asking for donations to help with this effort. This is the first of many fundraisers and park activities. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, contact:

Ileana Desalos
friendsofjayceepark@yahoo.com
or (713) 922-6742.

TEXAS FATHERHOOD SUMMIT

The Hispanic Family Initiative invites you to register for the 2009 Texas Fatherhood Summit. The theme for this year is **Motivating Father, Restoring Families, Strengthening Communities**. Local leaders will be present to speak about the importance of a father figure in a child's life. Join our community at this special two day event. To register, or for more information, go to:
<http://www.hispanicfamilyinitiative.org/fatherhood/>



September 15th & 16th
Cockrell Scout Center
2225 North Loop West
Houston, TX 77008

The Houston Zoo



Looking for something to do for Labor Day? Though the Houston Zoo no longer offers Free Day on Labor Day, you can still purchase reduced admission tickets at Fiesta stores. Adults are \$8 and children are \$5. Visit www.houstonzoo.org for more info.

RANDALLS - GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

You can earn a donation equal to 1% of your purchases, at Randall's, for Sinclair Elementary! Just fill out a form and link your Randall's card number to our school number: 5905. Forms are available at the school office.



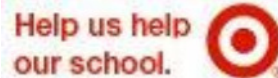
TARGET - TAKE CHARGE of EDUCATION PROGRAM

If you shop with a Target Red card, you can link it to Sinclair to earn 1% of the purchase you make with it. Visit

www.Target.com/tcoe

or Call 1-800-316-6142

Our Target Program number is 98781



KROGER - NEIGHBOR to NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

If you shop at Kroger, you can help Sinclair earn a donation! It is free and easy. Simply take the school's bar code with you and have the cashier scan your Kroger Card and then the bar code. You are enrolled for the rest of the program year!

How the Program Works

This program gives our school the chance to earn a portion of a \$1 million donation that Kroger gives out annually. The program runs this school year from July 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010.



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