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# SAMUEL W. HOUSTON ELEMENTARY

Building Champions by ensuring ALL students reach high levels of learning academically, behaviorally, and socially.



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## THE PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

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We are excited to begin a new year at Samuel Walker Houston Elementary with a continued focus on student growth and success. Our teachers are actively using data from fall benchmark assessments to make informed instructional decisions, identify targeted interventions, and plan next steps for learning. Last week, third through fifth grade teachers presented their data and outlined plans to ensure students continue to show academic progress through intentional instruction and collaboration.

We are currently collecting Middle-of-Year (MOY) assessment data across all grade levels to monitor student growth and identify specific skill gaps that will guide instruction and intervention planning for the spring semester. This ongoing data analysis allows our staff to remain responsive to student needs and focused on continuous improvement.

We also continue to celebrate positive student behavior and a strong campus culture. Our Pre-Kindergarten students were recognized as the winners of the PBIS Behavior Challenge for November and December. Students enjoyed sno cones, popcorn, and extra recess, creating a fun and meaningful celebration that reinforced positive behavior expectations.

Additionally, Samuel Walker Houston Elementary received exciting recognition as a 2025–2026 MTSS Momentum Award winner in the MTSS and PBIS category from one of our district's MTSS data management partners, Branching Minds. This honor was announced nationally at the 2025 Virtual MTSS Summit in December and reflects our teachers' unwavering commitment to making Samuel Walker Houston Elementary the campus of choice in Huntsville ISD.

Thank you for your continued support of the students and staff of Huntsville ISD. Together, we are Building Champions.

Sting 'Em Hornets!



