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Class of 2018 Students and Parents,

The spring semester of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade year is important as you begin the transition to high school. In an effort to help make the transition go as smoothly as possible and to advise students and parents on making informed decisions, we have scheduled mandatory 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meetings on the dates, times and locations listed below. It will be critical for you and your child to attend in order to fully understand the new registration requirements.

Entering high school, the course registration process is important to help students/parents select courses designed to: (a) meet state graduation requirements and (b) align to their college & career interests. House Bill 5 (HB 5), which passed spring 2013, brings significant changes to state graduation requirements.

Note: Students and parents are encouraged to attend any of the meetings if they miss the meeting at their school. The information will be the same at each meeting.

**January 13**

Harby Junior High (6:30-7:30pm)

**January 14**

Fairview Junior High (6:30-7:30pm)

Alvin Junior High (6:30-7:30pm)

**January 21**

Nolan Ryan Junior High (6:30-7:30pm)

Manvel Junior High @ Rodeo Palms (6:30-7:30pm)

Principals, counselors, teachers and support staff will be present to provide an overview of HB 5, graduation requirements, endorsements, career pathways, program offerings and much more. There will also be a Question and Answer session at the end. This information will allow you and your child to select 9<sup>th</sup> grade courses beginning January 27-February 7. As we move closer to the scheduled dates, I would encourage you to continue to visit the AISD website ([www.alvinisd.net](http://www.alvinisd.net)) and your school website for more detailed information.

Please contact your campus if you have any questions.