

The York Connection

Parent Newsletter

May 2017

Important Dates

May

- 1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 2 Breakfast of Champions
- 4 Algebra 1 End-of-Year (EOC) Exam
- 4 Boys Soccer v. Irons JHS 5, 6 PM
- 4-5 Theatre Presents "The Adventures of Red Rose" 7 PM
- 8 STAAR 7th Grade Math Test & 8th Grade Math Retest
8th Grade Science & Social Studies Bootcamp
- 9 STAAR 7th Grade Reading Test & 8th Grade Reading Retest
8th Grade Science & Social Studies Bootcamp
Liberty Babes - Kendra Scott Fundraiser 6-8 PM
- 10 STAAR 8th Grade Science Test
7th Grade Science Benchmark
- 11 STAAR 8th Grade Social Studies Test
7th Grade Social Studies Benchmark
- 19 Incoming 7th Grade from Cox Tour of York
- 23 Blue Carpet Awards 6:00 PM
- 25 Band Spring Concert 7-10:00 PM
- 29 Memorial Day – No School

June

- 1 Last Day of School for Students

August

- 7 7th grade schedule pick-up 8:30 – 11:30
8th grade schedule pick-up 12:30 – 3:30

A Message from the Principal

Good afternoon Parents,

Only a little less than five weeks are left of school and our students will have finished another school year. This is the time of the year when students may check out or even go the other way and over stress with assigned tasks and responsibilities. Please take time to work with your child and make sure they finish the academic year strong and healthy.

On behalf of all the Teachers and Staff, thank you for the tips and information we received over the last couple of weeks on safety. Most of our students make good decisions each and every

day. If you or your child should ever come across some information that you want to share with the school but want to remain anonymous, please call our Conroe ISD Police tip line 1-888-Kid-Chat. Reports are generated from these tips and school officials and administrators work on them.

Speaking of communication, please make sure your email and parent access accounts are updated. Student results for STAAR will be made available online this year. In addition, first-day papers for next school year will be online as well.

Some other potential changes that are coming our way: A proposal went forward to the CISD Trustees about changing the mascot for York JHS from the Eagles to the Grizzlies. In addition, the color orange may be added to royal blue for York JHS. This will align York JHS with Grand Oaks High School which is proposed to be the Grizzlies as well with the colors royal blue, orange, and gray. In May, the Trustees will have an opportunity to vote on such.

Besides our regular school business, we have been interviewing many candidates for various employment positions at York JHS. Often, candidates mention they want to work at York because of the students and the community. Thank you parents for sending us your wonderful children each day and providing the very best for us to work with!

Chris Povich

Counseling Center

Incoming 7th graders will tour York Junior High on May 19th. Students can pick up their schedules for the 2017-2018 school year on August 7. 7th graders from 8:30-11:30 AM, and 8th graders from 12:30-3:30 PM. You will not be able to pick up a schedule if your child is needing immunizations or any updated immunizations are not on file with the clinic.

Off Campus PE (Private PE)

The Off Campus Physical Education electronic application for students will be available **Monday, March 20, 2017 @ 8:00 AM**. Registration will close **May 1st, 2017 at midnight**. The application will be available on the Conroe ISD web site. Look for information on approved facilities and the individual student applications.

Start on the Conroe ISD website:

Step 1: On the right side bar, choose DEPARTMENTS.

Step 2: Choose ATHLETICS.

Step 3: Choose Off-Campus (Private) PE

Students who anticipate taking Off Campus PE next fall, need to be sure their training facility "representative" is in attendance. If someone from the training facility isn't available on January 25th, a parent may attend and serve as the "representative." Vendor applications will be available following the meeting.

Online Accelerated Math Initial Credit for the following courses will be offered in an online blended virtual course. In order to be approved for these courses, students must have a minimum grade average of 80, and are recommended to have scored at final Level II on the previous year's STAAR exam in mathematics:

7th grade Math (*for 6th graders going into 7th grade transitioning to Pre-Algebra*),

8th grade Pre-Algebra (*for 7th graders going into 8th grade transitioning to Algebra I*)

Algebra I (*for 8th graders going into 9th grade transitioning to Geometry Pre-AP*)

Geometry Pre-AP (*for 8th graders going into 9th grade who have successfully completed Algebra I and have principal approval to take Geometry Pre-AP during the summer and for 9th graders going into 10th grade transitioning to Algebra II*)

York Junior High School May 8-11, 2017 STAAR Exam Bell Schedule

STAAR Testing Schedule

Listed below is the STAAR testing schedule for next week.

STAAR 7th Grade Math and STAAR 8th Grade Math Retest for Monday, May 8

Students Report to Classrooms	8:30-8:55
STAAR Instructions	8:55-9:30
STAAR Testing	9:30-1:30
Lunch in Testing & Review Rooms	1:30-2:16
1 st Period	2:21-2:42
2 nd Period	2:47-3:08
3 rd Period	3:13-3:34
7 th Period	3:39-4:00

STAAR 7th Grade Reading & STAAR 8th Grade Reading Retest for Tuesday, May 9

Students Report to Classrooms	8:30-8:55
STAAR Instructions	8:55-9:20
STAAR Testing	9:20-1:20
Lunch in Testing & Review Rooms	1:20-1:50
4 th Period	1:55-2:25
5 th Period	2:30-3:00
6 th Period	3:05-3:35
7 th Period	3:40-4:00

STAAR 8th Grade Science & STAAR 7th Grade Science Benchmark for Wednesday, May 10

Students Report to Classrooms	8:30-8:55
STAAR Instructions	8:55-9:20
STAAR Testing	9:20-1:20
Lunch in Testing & Review Rooms	1:20-1:50
1 st Period	1:55-2:16
2 nd Period	2:21-2:42
7 th Period	2:47-4:00
	2:50-3:50 Hoops for Heart Game

STAAR 8th Grade Social Studies & STAAR 7th Grade Social Studies Benchmark for Thursday, May 11

Students Report to Classrooms	8:30-8:55
STAAR Instructions	8:55-9:20
STAAR Testing	9:20-1:20
Lunch in Testing & Review Rooms	1:20-1:50
3 rd Period	1:55-2:16
4 th Period	2:21-2:42
7 th Period	2:47-4:00
	2:50-3:50 Powder Puff Football Game

- Per TEA regulations, students may not have a cell phone on them during testing. Cell phones must either be placed in a locker, turned off (not on vibrate) and in a back pack placed on the side of the classroom, or turned off and given to the test administrator during the STAAR test.
- As a reminder, per TEA regulations, if a student leaves the testing classroom to use the restroom during the four-hour timed test, that time away cannot be made up.
- Students may bring a non-instructional book to read after they are finished testing.
- Each student is highly encouraged to bring a sack lunch on the testing days. A hot meal lunch with water (no snacks) will be available in the cafeteria for purchase on testing days for those who did not bring a lunch from home. Students can also bring water in its original bottle. We will not disturb STAAR testing classrooms to deliver personal lunches from parents/guardians.
- Off-campus P.E. pick up will occur immediately after 3rd Period (3:34 pm) on Monday, May 8, after 6th Period (3:35 pm) on Tuesday, May 9, after 2nd Period (2:42 pm) on Wednesday, May 10, after 4th Period (2:42 pm) on Thursday, May 11.
- As required by State law, a student present on campus on a test day must take the appropriate test for that day. If a student is absent, the student will test on a make-up day.

Science

Thank you 7th grade parents Victoria McRae, Kimberly Alleman and Tim Kraeter for enhancing student learning of the body systems by speaking to Mrs. Clark's Science Classes about your medical field expertise.



Theatre

York Theatre Presents "Rose Red (Snow White's Less Famous Sister" On May 4th & 5th at 7pm. Tickets are \$3.00 for Adults & \$1.00 for students and kids. You can purchase tickets on the York Webstore or at the door.

York Theatre will be holding its Summer Theatre Program this year. For more information please email Mr. Ott at jaott@conroeisd.net or visit www.tinyurl.com/eagletheatre for a registration form.

Art

Congratulations!

ALL York students who submitted an Art II Accelerated portfolio are invited to register for Art II classes at ORHS next year. They will receive retro-active credit for Art I and be able to choose from Painting, Drawing, Ceramics, and Sculpture.

- Bria Briley
- Chloe Casuga
- Sydney Dwyer
- Iliana Garcia
- Emma Gartin
- Carmen Hernandez
- Jack Hook
- Elena Matthews
- Amelie Nguyen
- Karis Vander Wall

THANK YOU FOR REPRESENTING YORK
AND MAKING US SO PROUD.

Ms. Wells and Ms. J. West

Tennis

The 2017 York Tennis season has been short, but very successful. 7th graders Andy Shen and Gabriel Struve took 1st place in singles during our opening meet against McCullough on April 6th. Both 7th and 8th grade players dominated in singles and doubles at the Peet and Knox meets on April 13th & 20th. Players are ready for their final match-up in the regular season against Irons JH on April 27th. During practice and meets, players have displayed progress while demonstrating incredible sportsmanship, dedication and enthusiasm. It has been a pleasure to coach the following outstanding 2017 York Tennis players:

7th Grade: Emily Arreola, Marjorie Carlson, Hana Chau, Katrina Curry, Ashlyn Dill, Riley Hale, Elena Lewis, Nicole Nguyen, Ava Grace Newton, Savannah Phan, Trista Tully, Styhlor Barnes, Chase Brown, Robbie Crawford, Brandon Escobar, Joshua Helton, Christopher Hernandez, Drew John, Alexander Lammayot, Joshua Lyon, Mustafa Mabrook, Nick Martin, Gavin Nutt, Andy Shen, Gabriel Struve, Owen Ward and Ben Zufelt. **8th Grade:** Ella Bishop, Sydney Brooks, Naomi Cozma, Amber Edwards, Sophie Ellner, Iliana Garcia, Emily Gonzales, Aleena Kolluri, Ashlyn Lewis, Laura Searfass, Hayley Singkhek, Alexa Tapia, Rachel Uthe, Shaela Valenzuela, Renzo Chavarria, Leonardo Di Mauro, Nathan Freitas, Cade Hogelin, Yusef Khattab, Luke Lendvai, Grant Nickel, Noah Sterenberg, Adam Stinson, Dean Thomas and Eli Ward.

The Conroe ISD District Tennis Tournament is scheduled for May 1st for 7th grade boys and girls. 8th grade boys and girls will play on May 2nd. Both will be held at The Woodlands High School beginning at 4:30pm. The following players will represent York JH:

7th Grade: Marjorie Carson (Singles), Ashlyn Dill (Singles), Ava Grace Newton/Riley Hale (Doubles), Nicole Nguyen/Savannah Phan (Doubles), Andy Shen (Singles), Gabriel Struve (Singles), Alexander Lammayot/Drew John (Doubles) and Joshua Lyon/Chase Brown (Doubles).

8th Grade: Laura Searfass (Singles), Iliana Garcia (Singles), Sophie Ellner/Alexa Tapia (Doubles), Hayley Singkhek/Aleena Kolluri (Doubles). Dean Thomas (Singles), Cade Hogelin (Singles), Renzo Chavarria/ Adam Stinson (Doubles), Luke Lendvai/ Grant Nickel (Doubles) and Noah Sterenberg/Eli Ward (Alternates).

We wish all of these players the best of luck during their matches at the District Tournament and thank all York Tennis players, along with their parents/guardians, for a wonderful 2017 season.

~Coach Natalie Clark & Coach Amanda Yeager

Liberty Babes

Liberty Babes Drill Team will be having a fundraiser:

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH 6PM-8PM

KENDRA SCOTT MARKET STREET
9595 SIX PINES DR., SUITE 960, THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

20% of the proceeds benefit York Junior High Liberty Babes!

Clubs

Want to have some Fun?

Friends
Fun
Games
Devotions
Service



Fridays
@ 8:00am
in the
BOYS' GYM

You do not have to play sports to come. All are welcome!

York Champions Club

The York Champions Club is the booster club for the athletics program here at York Junior High. We need your help! If you are interested in volunteering, please email us at: yorkchampionsclub@gmail.com

The YCC is excited to host the 5th Annual Powder Puff Games in May this year!

Are You Ready For Some. . .POWDER PUFF FOOTBALL?

York Champions Club's

5th Annual PowderPuff Football Game

Thursday, May 11th @ 2pm

York Junior High Football Field

Who's Playing? 8th Grade Girls Athletics

Who's Cheering? 8th Grade Boys Athletics

ALL STUDENTS are encouraged to come out & support the event.

\$5 General Admission @ the Gate

Player and Cheer Participation: \$15 per student (includes a York PPF Jersey/T-Shirt)

Participation Forms are available through the Athletics Department & require a Parents Signature.

We had a BLAST in 2016! Your participation & support can make 2017's game even better!

Sponsors for promotional items, signage, & T-shirts are welcome! Please contact Cassandra McBryde @ ccmcbryde@gmail.com

WE NEED YOU!

YCC Board Members for 2017-2018 school year

Who are we? We are the booster club for the athletics program here at York Junior High. We are a team of busy parents, just like you, with children who are part of the athletics program.

What are we? The club is designed to assist the coaches with their duties as they mentor our children to be great York Eagle athletes. We help to raise funds for purchasing items that the coaches need to improve the program. Some of the purchases we have been able to make in the past few years: scoreboards for the gyms, football decals, sun screens on the gym windows, ankle braces, a gator for moving football and track equipment, scoring tables, soccer goals, high jump pit cover, tennis wind screens and more!!

How can you help? If you have a child in athletics, join us! We need board members for the 2017-2018 school year. We are a fun group and the YCC is an easy way to be involved in your child's school. Our meetings are only once a month and our responsibilities involve the sports games you would be attending anyway. The more members we have on the board, the more we can benefit the York Eagle athletics program. YCC Board member positions include:

President - presides over meetings and oversees committees

Treasurer – keeps financial records and pays invoices

Secretary – keeps detailed minutes of our meetings

Membership – recruits and coordinates new members

Volunteers – coordinates volunteers for concessions and fundraisers

Fundraising – 1-3 people

Spirit Wear – designs and handles sales of spirit wear

Sponsorship Banners – coordinates purchase and displaying of business sponsorship banners

Powder Puff Game – coordinates our annual fundraising powder puff game

Concessions Team – 1-3 people; purchases & stocks concessions for games

Special Projects Team – 1-2 people; researches & prices equipment needed for athletics program

Social Media – handles web and Facebook pages

For more information, email us at: yorkchampionsclub@gmail.com

Yearbook

Have you purchased your yearbook? If not, go to www.smart-pay.com to guarantee your copy before we run out. We only have a little more than 100 copies left. Online sales end at the end of the day Wednesday, May 17 or when all books have been sold. If any books are remaining after the sales deadline, leftovers will be available for purchase in person from Ms. Wells during the week of May 22. Bring \$40 cash or check. All checks must include the DOB and Driver's

License number. If you aren't sure if you ordered a book or if you have any other questions, contact Katie Wells at kmwells@conroeisd.net.

Clinic

Medication pick up reminder: Parents, if your child has medication in the Clinic, the Parent must come pick up the medication and sign it out by **June 1st, 2017 by 2:00PM**. *Students are **NOT allowed** to carry any type of medications on them unless authorized and ordered by a Doctor.*

*Any medication that has not been picked up by this date and time will be properly discarded as per Conroe Policies and Procedures in the Conroe ISD handbook and Health Services Department on the Conroe ISD website. Thank you!



ANNOUNCEMENT FROM YORK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NURSE ****ALL INCOMING 7TH GRADERS****

IT'S THE RULE
SHOTS BEFORE SCHOOL

Dear Parents of **ALL** incoming 7th Graders for the 2017/2018 School year:

The following is the **TEXAS MINIMUM STATE REQUIRED** immunizations for **ALL incoming 7th graders:**

- Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Acellular Pertussis)
- Varicella #2 (chickenpox shot - **2 shots series is required** unless student had disease)
- Meningitis (MCV4 or MenACWY)
- HepA#1 and HepA#2 (**2 shots series is required**)

****ATTN: Parents who have current 6th grader(s) at Tom Cox Intermediate** who will be 7th graders at York Junior High this fall. Please make sure to give the Nurse at Tom Cox Intermediate your child's updated shot record ASAP. Please remember that the updated shot record needs to include the **REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS** stated above. The **deadline date is 6/1/2017** to bring in your child's updated shot records to the Nurse at Tom Cox Intermediate.

Believe me! You will want to **AVOID the LONG 2 – 3 hour LINE at York Junior High on **“Schedule Pickup Day”**, August 7th.

*If your child receives immunizations **AFTER JUNE 1ST 2017**, please send ALL updated immunization records to the Nurse at *York Junior High School*. Email to <mailto:tweidner@conroeisd.net>, fax 832-592-8684, mail to: York Junior High School or hand deliver to the front desk at York Junior High School **BEFORE** **“SCHEDULE PICKUP DAY”**, Date TBD.

****Important message from the Nurse at York JHS Clinic****

Parents, if you are not able to show proof of **ALL REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS** stated above before **“SCHEDULE PICKUP DAY”** which will be sometime in July or August 2017. Your child **WILL NOT** receive their new schedules until the Nurse receives your child’s updated shot record(s). Please contact the school nurse if you have any questions.

Financial Office

In the spring, if your student takes a class with fees, please pay via the Webstore on the York website to ensure a quick and flawless transaction. All class fees are uploaded. The Webstore is very user friendly, provides a receipt upon payment, and keeps record of all transactions.

Conroe ISD Police Anonymous Tip Line

An anonymous tip line has been established by the Conroe ISD Police Department. Parents, students, and community members may call in anytime and share helpful information to keep our kids safe.

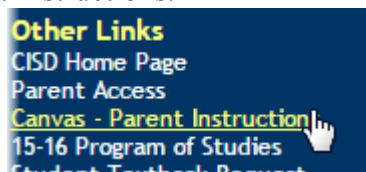
1 - 888 - Kid Chat 543-2428

Canvas



Parent Access to Student Online Courses in Canvas

Parents now have access to CISD’s student learning management system, Canvas. This allows you to see your student’s online courses and calendar. For directions on how to log into Canvas, click on this link (<http://york.conroeisd.net/CanvasParent.pdf>) or go to the York web site and click on the link “Canvas – Parent Instructions.”



PTO

We are looking to fill the York PTO Board for the 2017-18 school year. The nomination/interested form is online this year, click on the link to fill out the form and a board member will contact you.

<https://goo.gl/forms/zHgtjdlXaw7Hoy8i1>

Oak Ridge High School News

Oak Ridge PTO

The Oak Ridge HS PTO unites with Oak Ridge HS to provide a safe environment for our students to achieve educational success and to develop into productive citizens of our community. The PTO assists with scholarships for students, programs for students and parents, provides volunteers, and celebrates staff to support our students and school.

Please join us in our commitment and volunteer for a board position for the 2017-2018 year. Fill out the attached form and turn in at the front office.

Oak Ridge High School PTO

orhspto@gmail.com

oakridgepto.com

Oak Ridge Summer Camps

War Eagle Speed and Power Camp:

- June 5 - July 20 (Mon. – Thurs.)
- \$85.00
- Incoming 9th - 12th Graders
 - Session 1: 7:00 am – 9:00 am
 - Session 2: 8:00 am – 10:00 am
 - Session 3: 9:00 am – 11:00 am
- All Incoming (boys & girls) 7th – 8th Grade 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Contact: Coach Rush ddrush@conroeisd.net

Pay @ www.orhswebstore.com

War Eagle Football Camp:

- August 1st – August 3rd, 8:00 am – 11:00 am
- \$ 80.00
- Incoming 7th – Incoming 9th Graders

Contact: Coach Rush ddrush@conroeisd.net

Pay @ www.orhswebstore.com

Lady War Eagle Softball Camp:

- June 12th - June 15th
- \$70.00 Early reg. (June 7th) , \$85.00 Walk up
Session 1: 8:00 am – 10:00 am (Incoming 7th – 9th)

Session 2: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (Incoming K – 6th)

Contact: Coach Brimberry abrimberry@conroeisd.net

War Eagle Track and Field Camp: (boys & girls)

- June 5th – June 9th, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- \$90.00
- Age 3 – Incoming 8th grade

Contact: Coach Shock ashock@conroeisd.net

Cross Country Camp: (boys & girls)

- July 10th – August 11th (MWF) 6:30 am – 8:00 am
- \$90.00
- Incoming 2nd – Incoming 8th grade

Contact: Coach Shock ashock@conroeisd.net

Lady War Eagle Basketball Camp:

- June 6th - June 8th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
- \$70.00 Early reg. (May 30th),
\$85.00 May 31st – June 5th, \$100.00 Walk up
- Incoming 4th - Incoming 9th grade

Contact: Coach Vasquez dvasquez@conroeisd.net

ORHS Junior Cheer Camp

- June 3rd – 9th, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- \$40.00 Early reg. (May 26th), \$45.00 Walk up
- Age 3 – Incoming 8th grade

Contact: Coach Parker siparker@conroeisd.net

War Eagle Tennis Academy:

Session 1:

- June 26th – June 29th, 9:00 am – 10:30 am
- \$50.00
- Incoming 5th – Incoming 8th grade

Session 2:

- July 10th – July 13th, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
- \$100.00
- Incoming 9th – Incoming 12th grade

Contact: Coach Womack dbwomack@conroeisd.net

War Eagle Basketball:

- June 12th – 15th , 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
 - \$75.00 early reg. (June 5th); \$90.00 Walk up
 - Incoming 3rd – Incoming 8th grade
- Contact:** Coach Cloudy mcloudy@conroeisd.net

War Eagle Boys Soccer Camp:

- June 5th – June 8th
- \$75.00
- Incoming K – 7th grade 8:00 am – 10:00 am

For registration and more information go to www.orhssoccer.com

Contact: Coach Glick – gglick@conroeisd.net

Lady War Eagle Soccer Camp:

- June 12th – June 15th , 8:30 am – 10:30 am
- \$70.00
- Incoming K – Incoming 9th grade

Contact: Coach Collins – jamcollins@conroeisd.net

War Eagle Baseball Camp:

- \$ 80.00
- Camp 1 – June 5th – June 9th , Incoming 1st – 5th grade, 8:30 am – 11:30 am
- Camp 2 – June 5th – June 9th , Incoming 6th – 8th grade, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
- Camp 3 – July 10th – July 13th , Incoming 9th grade, 8:30 am – 11:30 am

Contact: Andrea Pirtle apirtle@conroeisd.net

Lady War Eagle Volleyball Camp:

- July 24th – July 27th
Incoming 4th – 7th grade 8:30 am – 10:30 am

Incoming 8th – 9th grade 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

- Open Gym : 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm
- \$70.00 Early reg. (June 2nd) , \$85.00 Walk up

Contact: Coach Sledge tsledge@conroeisd.net

****Most camps can be paid for through the ORHS Web Store****

www.orhswebstore.com

Volunteers

We appreciate our volunteers at York Jr. High. If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the Volunteer Application at <http://www.conroeisd.net/student-parent/volunteer.asp>.

Free & Reduced Lunch

Free and reduced applications are normally sent home the first week of school with all students; however, there is an online free and reduced application for parents to complete. It takes less time to process, it is easier to complete, and it is more confidential. *Parents can fill out applications at www.applyforlunch.com.*

Parent-Teacher Communication

Please feel free to contact your student's teachers with any concerns you may have regarding their success at York. Teachers are given a 24 hour window to respond to you via phone or email. If you feel you still need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your student's counselor regarding grades or their assistant principal regarding behavior or any additional concerns you may have.

Parent Access Accounts (PAC)

All parents are asked to establish a Parent Access account. To establish an account, please go to the following link and follow the instructions:

<http://www.conroeisd.net/student-parent/pac.asp>

PAC accounts allow you to view your student's grades. You must register each student you wish to access through the Parent Access account.



The Conroe Independent School District (District) as an equal opportunity educational provider and employer does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in educational programs or activities that it operates or in employment matters. The District is required by

Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as Board policy not to discriminate in such a manner.

For information about Title IX rights or Section 504/ADA rights, contact the Title IX Coordinator or the Section 504/ADA coordinator at 3205 W. Davis, Conroe, Texas 77304; (936) 709-7752.