



Capitol Update

District 133 Newsletter

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."



Dear Friends,

This week marks the beginning of early voting for the primary run off. If you didn't make it out to the polls to vote a few weeks ago, you still have the opportunity to cast a vote. For voting locations please visit www.harrisvotes.org.

We hope that everyone's school year went well and you're ready for summer. As always, it is our duty to keep y'all informed of happenings in District 133, so below you will find tips and events in the coming weeks.

If you are interested in what is happening now at the Texas Legislature or around the district, please like our [Facebook page](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#) for continuous updates!

If your summer travels include a visit to Austin, please make a trip over to the Capitol. We would love to have you stop by our office. On behalf of the Murphy family, we wish you all the best this summer!

Around the District

- The Houston Parks and Recreation Department Summer Swim Season runs from Memorial Day, May 24th, through Labor Day, September 1st. The Department offers free learn to swim classes for youth through the program.
- Get some relaxation time every Tuesday morning at NamasDays where from 9-10AM, free yoga is offered in Memorial City Mall next to the Fire Place near the west entrance.
- From May 22-26, CityCentre will be having live music in the plaza as part of the Memorial Day Weekend Concert Series.
- Memorial City Mall welcomes seven new stores: Banana Republic, Soma Intimates, Chico's, Kay Jewelers, Vera Bradley, Brighton Collectibles, and Six:02.

Need a Speaker?

Representative Murphy loves seeing new faces around the district. We also would be happy to donate auction items and door prizes to help raise funds for your organization.

Please email [Deanna Harrington](#), our District Director, if you are interested in setting up an event.

Tips for Saving Money in the Heat

- Maintain the air conditioning at higher temperature when you're not in the house. An air conditioner set at 70 degrees costs twice as much as one set at 78 degrees.
- Make sure to cover your windows as this can reduce energy costs by up to 30%.
- Use the ceiling fan as it circulates air and makes the room cool faster.
- Turn off lights during the day.
- Use washing machines, dishwashers, ovens, and other appliances at night to reduce the cost to cool the room around these appliances.

Tax-Free Weekend

The 2014 Energy Star sales tax holiday starts at 12:01 am on Saturday, May 24, and ends at 11:59 pm on Monday, May 26. The following are products which are tax free:

- Air Conditioners \$6,000 and less
- Refrigerators \$2,000 and less
- Ceiling fans
- Incandescent and fluorescent bulbs
- Clothes washers
- Dishwashers
- Dehumidifiers
- Programmable thermostats

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