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## Spring Branch Speaks

### ... to make our voices heard in Austin.

Dear *Spring Branch Speaks* members:

Because the last legislative session was tough on public schools, more and more parents are getting organized and energized to change education laws in Texas.

We want to let you know about three events by organizations that strive to make education a priority for our lawmakers. These are opportunities for us to support efforts to improve how Texas educates our children, investing in our state's future.

**This Sunday, March 4 - 2-4 PM**

***Family Fun/Event for a Cause, Benefitting Texas Parent PAC***

Nature Discovery Center, 7112 Newcastle at Evergreen St. in Bellaire

Bring the kids!! An afternoon of school carnival-like fun, frolic and fundraising so Texas Parent PAC can continue to support pro-education candidates. Since 2006, Texas Parent PAC has helped elect 23 new legislators to stand up for our kids and education. For more information about Texas Parent PAC, visit [texasparentpac.com](http://texasparentpac.com)

**Monday, March 5 - 10AM-12 NOON**

***"Public Education: Where Things Stand and What You Can Do About It"***

United Way of Greater Houston, 50 Waugh Drive

Learn the basics of public school finance and an updated analysis from experts on the Texas public education lawsuits. Keynote Speakers: David Thompson, Partner, Thompson & Horton, LLP and Dr. Wayne Pierce, Executive Director, Equity Center

Sponsored by All Kids Alliance, CHILDREN AT RISK, Collaborative for Children, Houston A+ Challenge, One Voice Texas, Project GRAD Houston, Save Texas Schools, Stand for Children Leadership Center, and United Way of Greater Houston

**Saturday, March 24 - 11 AM-2 PM**

***"Save Texas Schools March & Rally at State Capitol"***

Join a massive rally at the State Capitol to make public education the most important issue of this next election cycle, holding legislators accountable for supporting a quality

education for all Texas students. More information can be found on [www.savetxschools.org](http://www.savetxschools.org). Organized by Save Texas Schools.

Sincerely,



**Spring Branch Speaks**

*Parent-organized community outreach with SBISD in mind.*

*Spring Branch ISD educates a diverse community of 32,000 students on 46 campuses, including 57% economically disadvantaged students and 33% limited-English-proficient (ESL) students.*

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