

# TRAVIS HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Dear Travis Heights Elementary School community,

Sept. 18, 2013

The safety of all students is our number one priority at Travis Heights Elementary School. With that in mind, we would like to inform you of an incident that occurred off campus on Monday of this week, as a student was walking home from school and allegedly approached by two men in a vehicle who attempted to abduct the child. Fortunately, the student fled from the suspects unharmed. The Austin Police Department was notified of the incident Monday evening, and notified AISD police and our campus yesterday. Police are investigating the situation and have increased patrols in the area.

We are grateful our student is safe, and wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of safety tips you can discuss with your child to help ensure their safety:

- Identify the location of safe homes or buildings in case a student needs to run to them. Identify which neighbors are available to help when parents are not at home.
- Advise your student to avoid alleys and empty lots, houses, or garages. Students should use direct routes between school and home when walking.
- Use the buddy system. There is usually more safety for children in groups.
- When visiting or playing with friends, always make sure an adult knows where the student is and carry a cell phone in case of an emergency, if age appropriate.
- Immediately report any suspicious behavior to a school official, parent or trusted adult.

We appreciate your support as we work together to ensure each child's safety and security at and around our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 414-3480.

Sincerely,  
  
Lisa Robertson

Principal

Travis Heights Elementary School