

## DPS: Download iWatchTexas app to report suspicious activity

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans of the iWatchTexas program – a critical resource anyone can use to report suspicious activity or behavior in their schools and communities. Using iWatchTexas, everyone can take an active role in keeping our state safe.

The iWatchTexas program allows Texans to report any suspicious activities or behaviors that may indicate criminal, terroristic or school safety-related threats.

The public can report behaviors via the mobile app, online at [www.iwatchtx.org](http://www.iwatchtx.org) or by calling 1-844-643-2251. A report typically takes less than five minutes, and once submitted, each report is reviewed by law enforcement analysts. All reports are confidential (providing contact information, which is optional, will allow for follow-up questions).

Often, preparations for crimes, terrorist attacks and threats to school safety may be seen by someone but not reported. When in doubt, DPS encourages everyone to speak up.

Here are some examples of behaviors and activities to report:

- Comments about killing or harming someone.
- Strangers asking questions about building security features and procedures.
- A social media post about a possible school attack.
- A social media ac-

count encouraging and posting about acts of vandalism, sabotage or arson.

- People requesting sensitive information, such as blueprints, security plans or VIP travel schedules, without a need to know.

- Purchasing supplies that could be used to make bombs or weapons or purchasing uniforms without having the proper credentials.

- Taking photographs or videos of security features, such as cameras or checkpoints.

The iWatchTexas app is available at no cost to iPhone users on the Apple App Store (iWatchTexas) and for Android users on Google Play (iWatch-

Texas). Texans are urged to download the app now.

*Note: The iWatchTexas program is not designed to report emergencies. If a situation requires an emergency response, call 911.*

### CLOTHING DONATIONS

HULL - Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, 2988 Hwy.105 East, (3 miles east of Moss Hill intersection) is accepting donations of used student clothes for its annual clothing giveaway in July. Call 936-346-6244 to arrange drop-off of your donations. Many families will be blessed by your donations. Thank you.

## Dayton Ole Tyme Days coming up in April

DAYTON - The Dayton Ole Tyme Days Festival returns to downtown Dayton April 10-12 for three days of family fun, entertainment,

interactive activities, exciting carnival rides and games, vendor booths and more. All festival events take place in Dayton's downtown Main Street area. Festival proceeds are used to provide scholarships for Dayton High School's graduating seniors, something the Dayton Ole Tyme Days Festival Association, Inc. has been doing since 1997. Last year the festival awarded \$36,000 in scholarships.

Festival hours on Fri., April 10, are from 6-10 p.m. with carnival hours from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight. On Sat., April 11, the festival gets underway at 9 a.m. and continues through the evening until

10 p.m. The carnival opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 12 midnight. Sun., April 12, the festival and carnival open at 9 a.m. and close at 5 p.m.

Food and craft vendor applications are currently being accepted. Entry fees range from \$250 to \$650 contingent on space size. Contact Sheree, vendor chair, at 281-224-2975.

The ATV/UTV Show is set for Sunday, April 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. To participate, contact Jamie at 281-610-3918. There is a \$25 entry fee.

Fairytale Fantasy is this year's theme for the Lil' Miss and Lil' Mister Pageant. The pageant will take place Sat., April 11. Entry is open to ages 12 and under with a \$30 entry fee. Contact Julie Campbell at 936-258-4339.

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Brittany Hudnall and Katriesa Secada, both members of the board of directors with the Liberty ISD Education Foundation, were happy to help out at the Casino Night fundraiser Sat., Feb. 28.

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