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MEDIA ADVISORY

Wayside Schools to Break Ground on New Charter School Campus Tomorrow

District will host a groundbreaking ceremony for community

AUSTIN, TX- A new public charter school facility in South Austin will provide more children in surrounding communities with the opportunity to receive a free, rigorous college preparatory education. <u>Wayside Schools</u>, a PreK3-12 public charter school district, will tomorrow break ground on its new campus. The facility will house Wayside: Altamira Academy, an elementary school serving grades PreK3-5, and Wayside: Sci-Tech Preparatory High School, serving grades 8-12.

To celebrate, Wayside Schools is inviting the Austin-area community to a special groundbreaking ceremony. The ceremony will include light refreshments and a new campus sign reveal. It will also feature district leaders and select students putting the first shovel in the ground.

• WHO: Wayside Schools

• WHAT: New campus groundbreaking ceremony

• WHERE: 10704 Bradshaw Lane, Austin, Texas 78744

• **WHEN:** Friday, March 31, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

• WHY: To engage the community in the first step toward building the new charter school facility, which will allow Wayside Schools to achieve its vision of serving 2,500 students by 2020.

Photo and interview opportunities will be available at the groundbreaking ceremony. Please contact Halley Cade, Wayside Schools Communications Coordinator, by email at hcade@waysidechools.org with any questions or for additional information.

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About Wayside Schools

Wayside Schools is an open-enrollment, tuition-free PreK3-12 public charter school district that provides over 2,000 students across its four South Austin campuses with an International Baccalaureate (IB) education. The district is made up of three elementary schools and one secondary school. Its mission is to prepare students to be college ready, community engaged, global citizens through a rigorous, community-enriched education guided by the IB curriculum and personalized instruction.