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Travis Elementary Joins KXAN & KENS5 WeatherBug Schools Network

Travis Elementary to Install WeatherBug Tracking Station to Provide Live, Local Weather Conditions to the Surrounding Community and Enhance Student Education



WeatherBug at Travis

San Marcos, TX and Germantown, Md. — WeatherBug®, the leading provider of live, local weather information, announced today that Travis Elementary has joined the WeatherBug Schools Program. The school has installed a new WeatherBug Tracking Station and will be able to provide weather data for the meteorological team at KXAN and KENS-5 to broadcast online and on-air. The Tracking Station will also be used to enhance the school's curriculum using the WeatherBug Achieve program.

"Meteorology is both exciting and relevant to every day life. This tracking station and software from WeatherBug will allow all members of the San Marcos community the opportunity to further their knowledge about weather and climate by using current technology tools. Interdisciplinary experiences and mixed-grade level opportunities can also be designed," said Niki Konecki, Principal, Travis Elementary. "With this weather station, the sky is literally the limit. The curricular material provided through WeatherBug Achieve is correlated to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills in the areas of science, math, and social studies."

WeatherBug's media partner in Austin, KXAN, and San Antonio, KENS-5, leverages WeatherBug's national network of tracking stations to offer San Marcos area residents the most local, up-to-the-second weather information available in San Marcos and throughout the country. Now, KXAN and KENS-5 will also be able to feature neighborhood-level reports from Travis Elementary during its daily newscasts on-air and online.

The WeatherBug Schools Program is committed to providing an engaging teaching tool for schools nationwide. WeatherBug's interactive software program, WeatherBug Achieve, enables teachers to apply real-world conditions in math, science, and geography. Teachers and students in K-12 have access to weather data from any WeatherBug site across the country. Using WeatherBug Achieve, teachers can create customized learning activities based on current and historical weather conditions from the Travis Elementary WeatherBug Tracking Station, such as wind speed or humidity. In addition, students can compare local weather conditions to data from more than 8,000 other tracking stations nationwide.

For more information on the WeatherBug Schools Program, visit www.weatherbugschools.com. To access the Travis Elementary WeatherBug station, go to the Travis Homepage (<http://www.smcisd.net/Travis.cfm>), put your cursor over the tab "Our Campus", and then click on "Live Weather Conditions at Travis".

About WeatherBug
WeatherBug (<http://www.weatherbug.com> and <http://weatherbugprofessional.com>) ensures that individuals, schools, businesses and government agencies receive the most precise live weather information, the most relevant weather reports, and the earliest weather warnings to safeguard property, lives and to plan with confidence. With 8,000 WeatherBug Tracking Stations and over 1,000 cameras primarily based at neighborhood schools and public safety facilities across the U.S., WeatherBug maintains the largest exclusive weather network in the world. The live, local weather conditions are delivered to millions of consumers via the Internet and mobile devices, more than 100 state and local government agencies including the National Weather Service, and to 80 broadcast television stations, schools, and businesses. WeatherBug data is unique as it is the only live, neighborhood weather available anywhere. WeatherBug is a brand of AWS Convergence Technologies, Inc. (www.aws.com)