

(Washington DC) Tomorrow morning, Congressman Charlie Gonzalez will lead a press conference on students walking out of class to protest the immigration bill. Congressman Gonzalez and other leaders of the San Antonio Latino community will urge students to stay in school and participate in the democratic process after school hours.

"I urge Latinos to stay in class and make their voices heard after school," said Congressman Charlie Gonzalez. "While much of the national debate on immigration legislation has painted undocumented workers and their families as criminals, the employers who knowingly hire them have gotten off scot-free. I can understand their outrage over this hypocrisy.

But, staying in school and earning the grades that will win admission to college is the best way to fight for the Latino community. The greater our education levels and prosperity, the more clearly our concerns will be heard. Our parents and grandparents fought and sacrificed so that their children would have the chance to succeed. Latinos need to make the most of their education as a way to honor their heritage and ancestry."

WHO: Congressman Charlie Gonzalez and invitees include:

State Rep. Joaquin Castro

State Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer

State Rep. Jose Menendez

State Rep. Robert Puente

State Rep. Carlos Uresti

State Rep. Mike Villarreal

Dr. Ruben D. Olivarez, Superintendent of SAISD

Dr. Elizabeth Garza, Deputy Superintendent of Edgewood ISD

WHAT: Press Conference on Students Walking Out Of School Over the Immigration Bill

WHERE: Brackenridge High School

400 Eagleland Drive

At the front of the school near the Eagle Mascot

WHEN: Tomorrow, April 11th at 9:00am

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