

James Bowie High School

Pride In Performance

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

Dear Bowie High School Community,

Online registration for returning students is available at all times through the Austin ISD Parent Cloud. Step-by-step instructions for navigating the online registration process have been added to the registrars' webpage on the <u>Bowie website</u>. We are asking all parents/guardians to please complete this process by Monday, August 20, 2018, the first day of classes. Parents are required to confirm enrollment and/or update contact information to reflect any changes. If you need to make a change of address you will need to visit campus and meet with a registrar. Please bring a current proof of address and your photo ID. Please call Austin ISD Parent Technology Helpline at 512-414-9187 if any assistance is needed with the registration process.

Only students with an up-to-date immunization record will be allowed to attend class on the first day of school; otherwise, parents will be asked to obtain the needed vaccines for their child before the student is allowed to return to class. Students transferring from another Texas school district or Texas private school may attend class for up to 30 days while awaiting their immunization records. Parents may fax or mail their child's updated immunization record and delinquency letter to 512-406-6543 or Children's/AISD Student Health Services, 4900 Mueller Blvd., Austin, Texas, 78723.

The team at Bowie has worked all summer to finalize our master schedule and ensure all students are scheduled for the first day of school. We will be working throughout the weekend before school starts on Monday, August 20, to place students as accurately as possible with the classes they selected in the spring. Students and parents may be able to see what appears to be the correct schedule in the portal during the weekend prior to the first day of school. It is imperative that students follow the paper schedule they will receive in advisory classes on Monday, August 20, 2018. Wall rosters will be in front of the Bowie library listing the student's name and the location of their advisory class. In advisory they will receive their schedule which will direct them to their first class. All students should report to Bowie before 9:00 a.m. to attend advisory and receive their official schedule for the 18/19 school year.

On the first day of school Bowie will once again be hosting the **First Day Kick-Off Event for the Senior class.** Hosted by the Bowie Student Council and the Silver Stars, with contributions from other JBHS organizations, the Class of 2019 will enjoy breakfast, music, and prizes starting at 8:30 a.m. on the first day of school in the Bowie cafeteria. All seniors are required to report to the Kick-Off Event on Monday, August 20, 2018, as this is where their homeroom advisory teachers will be distributing schedules and student IDs. Seniors may not leave campus for lunch unless they are in possession of their student ID card. To make the Senior Kick-Off a roaring success, we are seeking gift cards to use as door prizes. **If you are willing to donate a gift card**, please drop it by the Bowie main office by Friday, August 17, 2018.

Senior portraits for the yearbook will be taken in the JBHS library on August 8-10, and 13-14, 2018. This is also the chance to get your ID photo so that you have your senior ID for the first lunch of the year on Monday, August 20, 2018. Seniors do NOT need to sit or sign up for a photo session if they only want to come in for their photo ID. Please click on the link for times Photo Texas is on campus. Senior IDs will be available for pickup at the senior kick-off breakfast the morning of August 20 if the ID photo has been taken during these sessions AND your senior contract is turned in. SIGN UP HERE to reserve your spot

Seniors must be photographed by Photo Texas Photography in order to appear in the yearbook. Seniors' yearbook pictures will be taken in the tuxedo or drape, which will be provided. For tuxedo photos: Bring a plain white t-shirt to wear under the tuxedo dress shirt. For drape photos: Bring a thin strap top and a bra with

straps that can be pushed down slightly over the shoulders (avoid sports bras). There is no charge to take your portrait at the school.

This Senior sign-up form is only for appointments at the school. If Seniors would rather do a portrait session at the PhotoTexas studio or are interested in casual portraits, visit <u>their website</u> and create an account using your school code, "Dawgs." This will allow you to schedule a studio appointment; however, please be aware that sitting fees are charged for all studio appointments. If you are unable to sign up for an appointment at the school at this time, PhotoTexas will return to Bowie after school is in session for additional senior photos. Information on how to sign up will be available closer to those dates. Senior portraits must be taken by Friday, November 30, 2018, to be included in the 2019 yearbook.

On Thursday, August 9, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., all AISD high school campuses offering Student Sharing courses in 2018-19 will host an orientation session for students who will be on their campuses for those student shared courses. This is your child's opportunity to learn a little about the campus where his/her Student Sharing course will be taught. You may drive your child to the appropriate campus, or he/she may ride district transportation which will be provided at the home campus.

A bus will be here at Bowie at 8:35 a.m. on Thursday, August 9th to transport your child to whichever campus he is slated to attend for that course. The Bowie Student Sharing bus for this orientation will be picking up in front of the school, right past the awning at the top of A & B Halls. The bus will be there at 8:35 a.m. and will leave by 8:40, so please encourage your children to be on time. When the orientation ends, a bus will pick up your child at the shared campus at 10:30 a.m. and return him/her to Bowie around 11:00 a.m.

Seniors who have qualified for a painted parking space based on last year's attendance must submit their parking spot contract, signed by the student and parent, as well as the **proposed parking spot design** in the purple box in the JBHS main office by **5:00 pm Thursday, August 9, 2018.** The contract, design template, and selection schedule can be found in the <u>parking spot packet</u> on the JBHS website. Qualified students, or their designee, need to go to C102 on Friday, August 17, at the assigned time to pick a spot. A friend or family member may choose for the student if he/she is unavailable during the designated time slot. Written authorization by the student is required if a representative is sent to choose on behalf of the student. Students choose spots in the order of least to most class period absences, so please have several locations in mind. Beginning this year, spots near the tennis courts may not be reserved by students. You must be able to show proof of permit purchase at the reserved, \$50 permit price. Painting is allowed during any of the following open windows: Friday, August 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. after your spot selection, Saturday, August 18, from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., or Sunday, August 19, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Congratulations, again, to those of you who earned this privilege. We are looking forward to seeing how your personalities and interests are represented in your parking spot designs!

Thank you all for your continued support of Bowie High School!

Go Dawgs!

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