

## James Bowie High School

## Pride In Performance \*

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

Greetings Bulldog Nation,

In response to events in the state and nation last school year, Bowie High School students and teachers requested that all students be required to wear their student ID beginning in the fall. Since staff and guests already wear an ID, everyone at Bowie will now be identifiable as authorized to be on campus. This new policy will be in effect at all Austin ISD high school campuses.

Starting Tuesday, September 4, 2018, students will be required to wear their badges at all times on the campus. By the end of this week, students will have been provided with a lanyard and a school ID. If your student has not received his/her ID badge, please ask them to report to the main office so that we can make sure they have one by the end of this week. We will use the remainder of this week for training and reminding students about badges before they are required. Starting on September 4, students will not be allowed in class without their ID visible.

Students will be allowed one free temporary ID before being required to purchase a new one. They can obtain their free temporary ID in the main office. If they use their one free temporary ID, parents will receive an email notification. Students without a badge for the second time will have to purchase a new ID for \$5 at the office or library. Since wearing their ID is a campus security procedure, any student who does not get a replacement ID will be unable to attend class, and therefore will be assigned to ISS. Replacement IDs and lanyards may be purchased in the library or the main office before school, during lunch, and after school. Please click on the following link for <u>detailed information on ID Badges</u>.

If you have ever visited campus for an appointment during the school day when students are on campus you are probably familiar with the Raptor system. In an effort to account for all students and maintain campus security and safety, beginning this school year Austin ISD is requiring all students arriving after the 9:00am tardy bell rings to check in through the main office with the Raptor system before to going to their class. AISD will now use the Raptor system to document all traffic to and from campus during the school day. Starting Tuesday, September 4, 2018, any student who is not in their classroom as scheduled by 9:00am will need to obtain a pass through the Raptor system in the front office in order to enter their classroom. Please note that we are only using Raptor for anything other than the student's normal schedule. For example, seniors will not be asked to scan in/out to leave campus for lunch or an off period.

Please review the following guidelines for students entering the campus after 9:00am:

- Students arriving on campus after 9:00am will be required to badge in through the main office. Students will be documented as tardy for 1st/5th period.
- Students already on campus but not in class when the tardy bell rings will scan in at the mobile check-in station in front of the library.
- Any students in the hall after 9:00am will be directed to a Raptor station.
- When students leave campus during the school day with a driving pass (other than seniors leaving campus for lunch), they will be required to scan out through the Raptor station in the

- office. Driving passes may be requested by a note from the parent/guardian that should be dropped off in the main office before school begins on the day they will be driving off campus.
- Any students returning to campus (other than seniors off campus for lunch or students returning from an off-period) during the school day will be required to scan back in through the office before returning to class.
- Parents picking up their students prior to the end of the school day must Raptor their students out from the main office using a photo ID. We are unable to send for a student prior to verifying a parent/guardian ID. Once a student has been signed out a pass will be sent to his/her classroom.

Thank you for your support of our implementation of these two district safety and security initiatives. We already have a majority of students wearing their student IDs and only a few students struggling to arrive to school on time each day. Please speak with your student to be sure he/she has an established routine to arrive at Bowie on time each day with his/her fully charged Chromebook and student ID!

Go Dawgs!

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