

James Bowie High School

Pride In Performance \*

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Greetings Bowie High School Community,

Next week is **Homecoming!** Together with Student Council and PTSA, we have a lot planned. Starting on Monday, 10/16/17, we want everyone to dress up like their favorite Holiday Day, Tuesday we have mathletes vs. athletes, Wednesday is designated as Disney Day, and Thursday students should represent their class colors. Freshmen wear grey, sophomores wear white, juniors wear red, and seniors wear black. We hope to see everyone at Burger Stadium for the game on Thursday, 10/19/17, against the Manor Mustangs!

Student Council gathered representatives from different groups and student organizations last week to solicit nominations for the **Class of 2018 Homecoming King and Queen**. Congratulations to Sophia Ahrens, Avery Schmidt, and Grace Widner for their nominations as Queen, and Jimmy Counihan, Wesley Earle, and Matthew Wheeler for being nominated King. Seniors are voting during their government/economics classes this week, and those selected will be announced at the Thursday night football game.

The **Bowie High School Homecoming Dance is Saturday, October 21, from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.** on the JBHS campus. All students from any grade level are invited to attend, and dress is anything from classy casual to formal. Tickets will go on sale at the Kennel starting Wednesday, 10/18/17, for \$5 and are sold at the door for \$10. Students are welcome to bring a date or attend with friends. In addition to a movie and DJ, PTSA has arranged for food trucks at the event. I would like to personally invite parents to <u>volunteer</u> and spend part of your evening enjoying this fabulous school event. We can't do it without our parents and appreciate everyone's support of this fun, memorable event for our kids.

**Progress reports** for the second nine weeks are scheduled for a grade check on Thursday, 10/20/17. Please take a moment to check your child's grade in TEAMS in advance of grades being pulled. Students may regain eligibility the following week on October 27, 2017.

Starting this year, students have more opportunities to recover credit for a class due to absences. **Attendance recovery sessions** are being held weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from now until December 7, 2017. Each ninety minute session, from 4:45 to 6:15 p.m., will take the place of an absence earned in a class period. Students may use the FIT Portal to sign up for an after school attendance recovery session. Please contact your child's assistant principal if you have questions about compulsory attendance requirements or your child has passed a class but not received credit due to attendance.

Please note there has been a change to the <u>instructional calendar</u> for this school year. Because of conflict with STAAR End of Course retesting, Austin ISD has moved the late start day originally scheduled for December 7, 2017, to November 30, 2017. The result will be **two late starts in November this year: 11/2/17 and 11/30/17.** 

<u>Reflections</u> is a National PTA program that encourages and rewards artistic expression. Our **PTSA Reflections chair is "graduating" in 2018** and is ready to train the next generation! The Reflections "season" is August to November, and the time commitment is not more than five hours per month. One person can do the job, but it's even more fun with a friend! All rules and deadlines are set by Texas PTA. Many resources are provided to promote Reflections. Help us to continue this successful and growing program at James Bowie High School! For more information, contact Mia Scroggs at <u>bowieptsapresident@gmail.com</u>.

Go DAWGS!

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