



James Bowie High School

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Thursday, September 07, 2017

Greetings Bowie High School Community,

It was a **pleasure to see so many parents at Back to School Night** yesterday! I hope that you enjoyed getting to meet your child's teachers. Please keep that line of two-way communication open by following up if/when you have questions or a concern. Teachers need to hear from you so they know when things are going well too! As principal, I appreciate feedback as well. Please don't ever hesitate to call or email me about how we are doing, especially if you would like to recognize your child's teacher.

We have a couple more opportunities to visit campus in the upcoming weeks. [Bulldogs & Hotdogs](#) has been rescheduled for **Saturday, September 9, 2017, rain or shine!** This is our biggest festival of the year and an event you won't want to miss. Join us for fun, food, cold drinks, Bowie spirit sales and entertainment here on the Bowie campus. The entire student body, family and friends, faculty, schools in our vertical team and district, as well as families in the community are invited to show some spectacular school spirit!

Austin ISD trustees in June called for a \$1,050,984,000 [bond election](#) to be held Nov. 7, which would bring **21st-century learning spaces to students without increasing our tax rate.** The **2017 Bond Open House** for the Bowie High School Vertical Team will be held on **Thursday, September 14, 2017**, in the Bowie High School cafeteria from 5:30 to 7:30pm. There will be two brief presentations giving a general overview of the bond at 5:45pm and 6:45pm, and tables with project information specific to each of the schools in the Bowie High School Vertical Team, so attendees can stop in as their schedules allow and get the information they need. The open houses are designed to be geographically convenient but not geographically exclusive; all are welcome at every meeting, and information about all Austin ISD schools and facilities will be available. The complete open house schedule can be found here: <https://www.austinisd.org/bond/meetings>.

Please help me **welcome our new College and Career Counselor, Ms. Carli Valverde**, to Bowie this year. Prior to joining us as BHS, Ms. Valverde served as the Director of Enrollment for a private high school in San Antonio for two years, and was the Associate Director of Admissions and Communications at a small private university where she worked for eight years. Students can find Ms. Valverde in the new location for the College and Career Center, located in the library. Carli has several visits by University Admission Representatives scheduled for this month, so we encourage all juniors and seniors to update their colleges list in Naviance in order to receive information about deadlines, sign up for on campus visits, etc. Please don't hesitate to call (512-414-2356) or email Ms. Valverde (carli.valverde@austinisd.org) with any questions about the college process.

Attention senior parents – **the date for graduation** has been announced! Bowie High School will conduct its commencement ceremony at the Frank Erwin Center on the last day of classes for the school year, Wednesday, **May 30, 2018, at 7:00pm**. I hope you can join us. I have a lot of names to learn between now and then!

Sincerely,



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