



# JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

**PARKING REMINDERS** - With the start of a new semester, we wanted to take the opportunity to remind students and parents about parking expectations on our campus.

1. Students who have parking permits are assigned to a specific lot, and they are not authorized to park in any other lot.
2. Students are not permitted to use visitor spots or the 2-hour parking spots.
3. Students and parents are not permitted to park in staff parking spaces around the back of the school from B hallway to the Athletic Building unless it is after 5:00 pm.
4. Any car that is parked in an unauthorized space will be tagged first with a warning. After a warning, future parking violations are subject to towing.
5. Parent drop off and pick up takes place on the loop in front of the school off of Slaughter from the main entrance. Please do not drop off or pick up your students by the parking garage off of the Wolftrap entrance. We must keep this space organized for buses, student drivers, and staff.

Please help us with these expectations so that our students and staff members can access our campus safely and have a space to park at Bowie High School!

**STUDENT HOLIDAY** - Wednesday, January 29 is a student holiday in observance of the Lunar New Year! Staff will be on campus for professional development.

**HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE WEEK** - With the passage of Senate Bill 1828 in the fall of 2019, the Texas legislature officially created an annual Holocaust Remembrance Week in public schools. This week was created to “educate students about the Holocaust and inspire in students a sense of responsibility to recognize and uphold human value and to prevent future atrocities.” Bowie will observe Holocaust Remembrance Week January 27 - 31. English and Social Studies teachers will facilitate lessons regarding the Holocaust with their classes.

**LOCKDOWN DRILL** - Texas state law requires Bowie to conduct a number of safety drills per year, including two lockdown drills. **Bowie will conduct a lockdown drill for this year on Friday, January 31.** The Texas School Safety Center provides [information to parents](#) about what to expect during a lockdown drill:

“ During a lockdown drill, an announcement will be made, generally over the public address system, and the school will go into lockdown. Language should be clear that a drill is taking place and not an actual emergency. Teachers will scan the hall and pull any

students, staff, and visitors into their classrooms, and lock their classroom doors. The lights will be turned off in the classroom and the students and teacher will hide out of view from the window. The door to the classroom may not be opened by anyone inside the classroom, regardless of what is said from someone that might be trying to get in. The occupants of the room are taught to remain quiet.”

Campus administrations in collaboration with the School Resource Officer (SRO) at Bowie will “clear” the campus before classes return to normal instruction.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH** - Black History Month is a time every year that we intentionally highlight and celebrate the contributions of Black Americans to our nation. We would not be where we are today if it were not for heroes like Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglass, the Freedom Riders and other changemakers of the Civil Rights Movement-- but we also wouldn't be here without talented Black teachers, scientists, doctors, athletes, artists, activists, mothers and fathers, and more. This February, various clubs and organizations will provide opportunities for students to learn more about and engage in Black History.

Go Dawgs!