



JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

March 13, 2025

Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

THIS WEEK IN CHARACTER STRONG - All grades are getting deeper into their content in Character Strong. The 9th graders are beginning a pair of lessons on perspective taking, especially in the context of empathy and conflict resolution. 10th graders finished their mini-series on mental health and overall well-being, while the 11th graders explored barriers to belonging in schools and how it can be addressed at Bowie. Finally, the 12th graders shifted their focus to leadership and what it means to lead, particularly the influence they can have on people around them. Take a moment this week to check in with your student to see what they've been reflecting on!

SENIOR PROM - This year's Senior Prom, "City Under the Stars," is coming up! We're excited to share the details with you. It is on Saturday, April 12 from 8:00 - 11:00 pm at Brazos Hall in downtown Austin. **Tickets are \$60 apiece and are currently on sale online on [Bowie's GoFan page](#). Ticket prices will increase to \$70 on Monday, March 24 and \$80 on Monday, April 4.** Seniors can purchase tickets with their access code, which is their unique student ID number.

Seniors, if your guest is NOT a Bowie student, you will need to fill out the [Non-Bowie Student Prom Guest Approval Form](#). *Important note: Guests must be between the ages of 14 and 20. Also, if this form is not filled out prior to prom, that guest will not be admitted. IDs will be checked at the door!*

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Class of 2025 sponsors, Shelby Pennington and Kelly Langdon, at shelby.pennington@austinisd.org and kelly.langdon@austinisd.org.

TRUSTEE AWARDS AND SENIOR HONORS NIGHT - The 9th-11th grade Trustee Awards Ceremony will be held in the Athletics Building on Wednesday, April 30 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Additionally, the 12th grade Trustee Awards Ceremony plus Senior Honors Night will take place in the same location from 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Students who will be honored with one or more awards will be notified via email in the coming weeks!

ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOOD DURING SPRING BREAK - With many Austin ISD students living in food-insecure households, the availability of healthy food may be challenging when the district is closed. Families can use the community resources below to find free meals in their area while Austin ISD offices and schools are closed for spring break:

- [Central Texas Food Bank \(www.centraltexasfoodbank.org\)](http://www.centraltexasfoodbank.org)
- [United Way for Greater Austin - ConnectATX \(www.connectatx.org\)](http://www.connectatx.org)
- [Texas Health and Human Services](#) - Call 2-1-1 or (877) 541-7905 to speak to a live operator.

PRIDE WEEK - Every year, to highlight the district's commitment to creating a safe, supportive and inclusive environment for all, Austin ISD hosts its own Pride Week. We believe that when students feel safe and can show up as their full selves at school, they're better able to engage in learning and achieve academically. This year, optional pride-themed activities will take place outside instructional time such as before or after school, lunch or FIT periods, and they are all student-created and student-led. Find out more by viewing our [Pride 2025 FAQs](#). Thank you, and we look forward to celebrating Austin ISD Pride Week with you!

Don't forget that tomorrow, March 14, is a student holiday. We hope you have a safe and restful Spring Break!

Go Dawgs!