



# JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

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April 13, 2023

Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

**CAMPUS-WIDE TESTING** - Between now and the end of the school year, there will be a number of standardized tests administered, including TSI exams, STAAR End-of-Course (EOC) exams, and Advanced Placement exams. You will continue to receive additional communication specific to your child. In the meantime, here's an overview of the testing plans for the upcoming week:

- **Wednesday, April 19, 2023 (9:05-3:00)**
  - **Freshmen and Juniors will take the TSI exam.** Students must bring a fully-charged AISD Chromebook or personal laptop for the online exam. Students taking the TSI will be released to the cafeteria and courtyard for a lunch break.
  - **Sophomores will take the STAAR English 2 EOC exam.** The STAAR English 2 EOC exam can ONLY be taken on an AISD-issued Chromebook, so all sophomores should ensure they bring their working and fully charged AISD-issued device with them to school on Wednesday next week. Students taking the STAAR English 2 EOC exam will be provided a lunch break in their test sites, and therefore, should plan to bring a sack lunch from home or plan to order a cafeteria sack lunch from the test proctor. Sophomores are also encouraged to bring a refillable bottle of water.
  - Students in grades 9-11 can locate their assigned testing classrooms on the [APRIL 19 TEST SITES](#) roster. Use the Ctrl + F keys on the keyboard to search for the last 5 digits of the student's ID# (note that there is a separate tab at the bottom for each grade level).
- **Friday, April 21, 2023 (9:05-3:00)**
  - All 9th grade students will take the STAAR English 1 EOC exam. The STAAR English 1 EOC exam can ONLY be taken on an AISD Chromebook, so all freshmen should ensure they bring their fully charged, fully functioning AISD-issued device with them to school. Students taking the STAAR English 1 EOC exam will be provided a lunch break in their test site, and therefore, should plan on bringing a sack lunch from home or plan to order a cafeteria sack lunch from the teacher in their test site. Sophomores are also encouraged to bring a refillable bottle of water.
  - Students in grades 10, 11, and 12 will attend their regularly scheduled classes. Some students may have a substitute teacher and some classes may be relocated to accommodate standardized testing.

**SENIOR BREAKFAST & ACTIVITIES DAY** - On Wednesday, April 19, the Class of 2023 will enjoy the annual Senior Breakfast, participate in track-and-field activities, and attend a class meeting about graduation. Seniors are encouraged to bring a water bottle and to wear comfortable clothing that represents their post high school college, career, or military plans, as well as athletic shoes.

All parents are invited to use this [LINK](#) to sign up to donate items for the April 19 Senior Breakfast. Donations of gift cards can be brought to the front office anytime between now and the morning of April 19, and drinks can be brought to the front office April 17-19 (please label the items “SENIOR BREAKFAST”). Perishable food such as donuts, muffins, fruit, etc. can be brought **to the front of the campus before school on the morning of April 19** (student volunteers will be waiting at the curb to unload the items from your vehicle). If you would prefer to make a monetary donation towards the purchase of breakfast tacos and games for the event, please use the SchoolCashOnline link found [HERE](#).

**SILVER STARS SPRING SHOW** - The James Bowie Silver Stars are proud to present “Found in the Attic” at 7:00 pm on the evenings of April 27, 28, and 29. This annual spring show celebrates dance and will highlight the Silver Stars, the JV Star Dancers, and students currently enrolled in Bowie’s dance classes. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased [HERE](#).

**LEARN ABOUT AUTISM** - In honor of Autism Awareness and Acceptance month, families, community members, and staff are invited to attend a three-part, virtual learning series focused on Autism presented from [VELA](#) hosted by the Austin ISD Special Education Department. See the event [flyer](#) for more information.

**SUMMER ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY** - Summer Discovery is the leading pre-college academic enrichment summer program for middle and high school students. For over 40 years, students from around the world have invested in their educational future, by attending one of our on-campus programs in partnership with some of the most prestigious universities in the US and the UK. Students discover their academic potential and explore potential college majors through over 300+ courses in 9 subject areas, with the guided support of our trained and dedicated team of professionals. Career exploration and the development of 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills are an integral part of the program along with the opportunity to make new friends through social and extracurricular activities and excursions. Learn more at [www.summerdiscovery.com](http://www.summerdiscovery.com).

Go Dawgs!

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