



JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

June 10, 2021

Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

FEEDBACK REQUESTED: Austin ISD is eligible for \$155 million in [one-time federal funding](#). These funds will help address needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. AISD is currently seeking input on how to best use these funds through the [ESSER III Funds Community Survey](#) to be completed no later than **Friday, June 18**. There will also be two virtual community meetings to collect feedback. Please refer to the flyers ([English](#) and [Spanish](#)) and the information below for more information. I hope you will consider participating in this important conversation. Please direct specific questions or comments to Gabriella Beker, Community Engagement Coordinator, at 512-414-9774 or gabriella.beker@austinisd.org.

Supporting Student Needs: A Conversation about ESSER III Federal Funds

- **Tuesday, June 15, 6-7 PM** (Spanish with English interpretation)
 - ZOOM LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/jc6cbe3f>
- **Wednesday, June 16, 6-7 PM** (English with Spanish and ASL interpretation. Interpretation into other languages is available upon request.)
 - ZOOM LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/zd3w9vpd>

STAAR EOC RESULTS: The Spring 2021 STAAR EOC exam scores will not be emailed or mailed to parents or guardians. Instead, parents and guardians can access their child's official score report via the AISD Parent Portal on or around **June 15, 2021**. The Communications Department will be posting information on the district's website and social media pages about how parents can access scores (the AISD parent portal will link directly to the state parent portal).

EOC scores do not impact a child's grade in the corresponding course, but per state law, all students are required to pass five STAAR End-of-Course (EOC) exams prior to graduation. Students will have multiple opportunities to retake the EOC exam, with the next opportunity scheduled for June 22-24 at Bailey Middle School.

Algebra 1 - Monday, June 21, 2021
English 1 - Tuesday, June 22, 2021
Biology and US History - Wednesday, June 23, 2021
English 2 - Thursday, June 24, 2021

Next week, Bowie's Summer EOC Testing Coordinator, Wendy Escobedo, will contact the parents of students eligible to make up or retake an EOC exam. Her email will provide information about registering for the EOC and test day instructions, including what time to report for testing. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

EQUITY WORK - In order to fulfill its [mission](#) and achieve its vision, Bowie strives to be an inclusive and welcoming community. I invite you to watch the video [“2020-21 Seed Project: Bowie’s Equity Journey”](#) to learn more about the equity work carried out this past year. I also hope you will encourage your child to join one of the Students Organized for Anti-Racism (SOAR) cohorts this fall to explore the ways that teens can take action to build a more equitable world. For more information about the SOAR student cohorts planned for the 2021-22 school year, check out our [SOAR promotional video](#).

ADJUSTED OFFICE HOURS: On Tuesday night, the Board of Trustees approved a resolution regarding this year’s summer work schedule, adjusting the district’s hours of operations to 7:30 a.m.– 5:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday for the weeks of June 7, 2021 to August 6, 2021. All Austin ISD offices and operations will be closed the week of July 5-9. Assistant principals and counselors are off-contract until July 12th or July 21st, respectively. Upon their return to campus, they can help with any questions you may have had over the summer, including any issues with scheduling, changing classes, or registering for classes for the upcoming school year. [The JBHS website](#) will continue to be updated, and it is a good place to look for general information, such as requesting a Verification of Attendance (VOE), requesting a transcript, updates to the parking permit plan, etc. Should you need more immediate assistance, please call Bowie’s main number 512-414-5247 or email Katie Gilman (katie.gilman@austinisd.org). Remember, the summer staff is working from the portables throughout the summer while campus construction continues.

Go Dawgs!

Mark Robinson
Principal
James Bowie High School