



# JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

**STUDENT FLU VACCINE CLINIC** - To keep our students in school and learning, we want to avoid a severe flu season exacerbating the impact of Covid-19 on our community. In partnership with Austin ISD, Health Hero America is making the flu vaccine available to Bowie students on Wednesday, October 20 at Bowie. There is no out of pocket cost or copay. If you would like your child to participate in this on-campus flu vaccine clinic, please **fill out the Consent Form and return it to the main office by Wednesday, October 13**. Click [HERE](#) to access the Consent Forms and additional information.

**LOCKDOWN DRILL** - Please be aware that Bowie will be conducting two safety drills this week. There will be a fire drill for the Athletics Building ONLY on Wednesday, September 29 at the beginning of 3rd period (approximately 1:30 pm). We will also be conducting a whole campus lockdown drill on Thursday, ~~September~~ **September** ~~October~~ 30 at the beginning of 8th period (approximately 3:06 pm). If your child has any particular sensitivities to safety drills, please advise them accordingly and/or contact your child's counselor as appropriate.

**AP EXAM REGISTRATION** - Advanced Placement courses give students the chance to tackle college-level work while they're still in high school. And through taking AP Exams at the end of the course, students can earn college credit and placement. **AP Exam Registration opens on Monday, October 4 for students currently taking year-long and fall semester-long AP courses**. The deadline to register and pay without a late fee is October 15. Otherwise, the absolute last day to register is November 11. Registration information for the spring semester-long courses will be provided in January 2022. Details about the cost, exam dates, and how to register can be found at [bit.ly/BOWIEAP](http://bit.ly/BOWIEAP). Exam fee waivers are available to those students who qualify through the Income Verification Survey.

**INCOME VERIFICATION SURVEY** - Economically disadvantaged students are eligible to receive a variety of support services at school, including fee waivers for the SAT, ACT, and/or AP Exams. If you have not already done so, we encourage you to complete the Income Verification Survey as soon as possible. Austin ISD emailed your unique link to the Income Verification Survey on September 17, but the survey is also available to you in the AISD Parent Portal (<https://portal.austinisd.org/>). Please respond to the survey even if you have completed a paper form in the past. Survey responses are confidential.

**VIRTUAL PARENT WORKSHOP** - The Parent Engagement Support Office in partnership with the Austin ISD Brain Lab Team is offering a virtual workshop series to families around the Neurosequential Model in Education, or NME. Due to the collective trauma caused by the pandemic as well as the unprecedented rise in mental health issues, they want to make sure families are equipped with an understanding of the brain, as well as how to support their child at home. Sessions will be offered both

in English and Spanish with interpretation services provided upon request. Please click [HERE](#) for more information or contact the AISD Parent Engagement Support Office at 512-414-0726.

**AISD ONLINE PARENT RESOURCE GUIDE** - The AISD Parent Engagement Support Office created an online resource guide to support AISD families, students, educators, or partners looking for resources for their student, family, or school. Our community can use this [online guide](#) to find and explore community and AISD resources: food, housing, legal, financial, transportation, after-school programs, community centers, and learning resources including ESL and GED services, computer literacy, cultural enrichment, and family literacy. For your future reference, this online guide is linked under the Parents tab at JBHS.org.

**HOMECOMING 2021** - It's mum season in Texas! This week Bowie celebrates Homecoming Week with daily [spirit themes](#) and a virtual pep rally to be live streamed at 10:40 AM on Friday (click [HERE](#) to watch). Senior class Homecoming Court representatives and band and football honorees will be introduced at the football game against Del Valle on Friday evening. There's no Homecoming Dance this year but other student social activities are in the works! Stay tuned!

**FRONTLINE** - Due to ongoing issues with Frontline, updating student attendance records has been delayed this week. Please be patient with us in coding absences. Austin ISD is working with Frontline on a resolution to this problem.

Go Dawgs!

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