

October 19, 2022

Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

AP EXAM REGISTRATION - AP Exam Registration is currently open! If your student is enrolled in a year-long Advanced Placement course or is taking a one-semester AP course during the fall semester, it's time for them to sign up and pay for their AP exam. (NOTE: If your student is scheduled to take a single semester AP course during the spring semester, such as AP Macroeconomics or AP Government & Politics, they will register for the correlating AP exam in February). The deadline to register for AP Exams for the year-long and fall one-semester courses is next Friday, October 28. After October 28, there will be a \$40.00 late fee applied to each exam. The absolute last day to register for a year-long or fall one-semester AP Exam is November 11. Students who are taking AP courses are being prepared to perform well on the exam. Your student is highly encouraged to take the exam at the end of the course in order to potentially earn college credit. For complete information about registering for AP Exams, please visit our website HERE. If you have questions about AP Exam registration, please contact the Academic Director, Kaylin Brett, at kaylin.brett@austinisd.org

GRADUATION DATE - <u>Bowie's graduation ceremony</u> will take place at **7 pm on Friday, June 2 at Burger Stadium**. Graduation is being planned as an outdoor ceremony at the stadium this year to allow for more seating. The Burger Activity Center will be used as the backup venue in case of inclement weather.

CYBERBULLYING - Cyberbullying and other inappropriate uses of digital tools is a persistent challenge for us and one that is disruptive to students' academic and social well-being. Following the PSAT and Senior enrichment activities last Wednesday, our teachers delivered a <u>campus-wide lesson</u> developed by Common Sense Media to help foster awareness about how online disinhibition contributes to cyberbullying. Online disinhibition describes how people behave differently online than they do in-person, and therefore, may be more prone to engage in online and digital harassment. Cyberbullying is a relatively new phenomenon, or at least one most adults never experienced, so it's going to take a true partnership between school staff and parents to curb it. Please spend some time learning more about online disinhibition and cyberbullying and speaking to your

child about your expectations that they exhibit integrity while online. Here are a few short videos to help you get started:

- "How Online Anonymity Changes Behavior for the Worse" CBS Sunday Morning
- "4 Ways to Help Teens Avoid Digital Harassment" Common Sense Media
- "4 Signs Your Kid Might Be Cyberbullying" Common Sense Media

CENTRAL TEXAS DYSLEXIA CONFERENCE - <u>AISD's free annual dyslexia conference</u> brings together researchers, parents, dyslexia therapists, teachers, related service providers, advocates, and other professionals to build understanding and application of improved support and services for students with dyslexia. This year's conference will be virtual, on demand, and as always FREE for educators, families, and professionals starting Friday, October 28, 2022. See presentation descriptions on the website:

https://www.austinisd.org/dyslexiaconference2022.

- **REGISTRATION** for internal AISD staff
- <u>REGISTRATION</u> for guests of AISD

Go Dawgs!

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