



# JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL

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September 2, 2025

Greetings, Bulldog Nation!

**PARENT U** - On September 3, Austin ISD is hosting a session designed to give parents an overview of what to expect during senior year entitled "Senior Year Success: College Apps & More" from 6-7 pm. We'll cover important college application steps, key dates, and how to support your student through the process. This is a great opportunity to stay informed and set your seniors up for success! The target audience is Senior families and the Zoom Session is in English with Spanish interpretation. Zoom Registration: [bit.ly/AustinISDParentU](https://bit.ly/AustinISDParentU)

**FAMILY EMPOWER HOUR** - Learn about Child Find, the process that ensures all children who may need special education services are identified and supported. This session will help you understand your rights, the school's responsibilities, and how to get the help your child needs. Open to all families and caregivers of students on September 3 at 12 noon and again at 6 pm. Presented by Amanda Reyes and interpretation will be available. Zoom: [bit.ly/SPEDsessions](https://bit.ly/SPEDsessions)

**REMINDER: Consent Needed for Counseling, Health and Clubs** - During the 89th Texas Legislative Session, Senate Bill 12 (SB 12) was passed, which requires school districts to obtain written parental consent before providing certain services or allowing student participation in specific school-sponsored activities. Please be sure to complete the Google forms linked for each function that requires parent consent.

- **Mental Health-Related Services** - The district must notify parents of staff services related to school counseling and give parents the opportunity to opt out before those services are provided to their child. [[Mental Health Services Consent Form: English](#)]
- **Physical Health-Related Services** - Certain school-based health services, such as non-emergency medical screenings or treatments, now require your written permission. [[Physical Health Services Consent Form](#)]
- **Participation in school-sponsored Student Clubs**  
If your child wishes to participate in school or district-sponsored clubs or organizations, parental approval is required. [[Student Club Participation Consent Form](#)]



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**CLUB FAIR** - Joining a school club is a great way to meet new friends, have fun, and demonstrate school involvement in those college applications! **Bowie will host a Club Fair in the courtyard during both lunches on Friday, September 5**, so students can learn more about how to get involved. Students interested in starting a new club must first identify a faculty sponsor, and then submit a completed club application to the main office for approval. Have your student take some time to view the [complete list of Bowie's clubs](#) or fill out a [new club application](#) on the Bowie website.

**PROGRESS REPORTS** - Every three weeks, you'll receive a progress report on your child's academic performance, and at the end of each 9-week period, a report card. Students in UIL activities must maintain passing grades to remain eligible to participate. The first UIL eligibility check will take place on September 26 using the grades submitted for the 6-week progress report (see the [2025-26 UIL Eligibility Calendar](#)). Please note that report cards and progress reports will no longer be available in the student documentation tile in the parent portal. Instead, they will be distributed via a link in an email.

Go Dawgs!

Mark Robinson  
Principal