

Dear Bulldog Families!

I hope all of our students found time to rest, recharge and are rejuvenated for another exciting school year! We have much in store for all of our returning Bulldogs and look forward to welcoming our incoming Freshman with open arms!

Some of our parents of incoming Freshman may be concerned about the first days of school and how everything will transpire. Know that we are here to support our 9th graders and be assured that we will guide them throughout the course of the first day and week. "All means all" and we are committed to ensuring their time at Austin High School is a positive one.

Know that we are here to support you in every which way possible. Our teachers, counselors and support staff are ready and waiting for the doors to open as we usher in a year of learning and growing. More importantly, we are here to deliver on the promise of *inspiring and equipping all students to pursue futures beyond what they can imagine!*

Also, if you want to keep up with the many activities and events taking place at Austin HS, please consider joining the following Twitter feeds:

@AustinhsB
@rizvanq73

The following are just a few reminders about the first days of school and what to expect as we venture toward the 2017-18 school year:

Homeroom Assignments: Upon arrival students should report to the Commons areas where the homeroom assignments will be posted via alpha. There will be teachers in place to assist students in getting to the correct classrooms.

Arrival/Dismissal: To avoid traffic issues, car riders are encouraged to be at AHS by 7:00 AM. Parents are allowed to drop off their child in the front of the building or on the student parking lot side. Keep in mind that cars are not allowed in the bus loading area of the school before or after school. The tardy bell rings at 7:00 AM. AHS school hours are 7:30 AM - 2:30 PM. Students can be picked up in the front circle or student parking lot at 2:30 PM. Please be sure to follow the directed flow of traffic. Students who need to go to their car during the school day **MUST** obtain principal permission. Students who walk to/from school must use sidewalks and refrain from walking in our neighbors' yards. This is considered trespassing. Please use the sidewalks.

Bus Route Information. For the 2017-18 school year, the bus route information has been updated on the FBISD website. To access this information you can use the link below or go to fortbendisd.com and click on the student parent information link on the right and then click on

the Bus route locator link on the right. You will be able to enter your address and see where your bus stop is located, your bus number, and the anticipated pick up and drop off time. Bus schedules: Teachers will inform the students which bus to ride home. Teachers and principals will be on the bus ramp to assist students needing help locating the correct route.

<http://www.infofinder.com/ifi/?cid=FBI-2B3JIB4YNDI>

Parking Permits/Transportation: Once 2017-2018 parking permits are available, we will begin informing Juniors and Seniors who have purchased a parking permit to stop by Office 108 to pick up a parking permit.

Lunch: It is strongly advised that students bring a lunch from home to avoid delays with lunch lines (especially the first week). Students are divided into 3 lunch periods. Your lunch period will be determined by which subject you have during 5th period.

Supplies: For the first few days, students should have something to write with and write on. Each teacher will inform the student what school supplies will be required for the remainder of the year. Backpacks are allowed.

ID Cards: Students are required to carry their IDs at all times. Students will need IDs for textbooks, library usage, etc. Student Pictures will be taken September 8th and picture IDs will be issued as soon as we get them in from LifeTouch.

Lockers: Students wishing to request a locker can do so on the AHS website. QR codes will also be posted around the campus for convenience.

Sincerely,
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Principal
Stephen F. Austin High School

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