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# Welcome To Dulles Middle School *"We Live Above the Line"*

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Please follow us via twitter @DMS\_Vikings

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# Introductions:

## Administration

Dr. Reginald Brown, Principal

Mr. David Squires, Associate Principal, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal

Dr. Henry Stevenson III, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Assistant Principal

Ms. Tammi Mallory, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Assistant Principal

## Counselors

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor, Ms. Ailynne Abarado-Remingo

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Lead Counselor, Ms. Vicky Smith

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor, Ms. Michelle Garoni

## Key Support Staff

Mrs. Malory Stelzel, Nurse

Ms. Arlene Diaz, Nurse Assistant

Mr. Okonkwo, Social Worker

Mr. Jesse Moreno, Mental Health Counselor

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# Welcome to Middle School

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- The happy medium
- #KeepItReal
- Teaching Expectations
- Home Life vs. School Life
- Personal Responsibility
- Responding vs. Reacting  
Owning My Actions vs. Actions of Others
- Conflict and Concern Resolution



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# The Viking Way

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- Arrival Expectations
- Morning Arrival and Afternoon Dismissal
- FBISD Transportation
- Attendance
- Tardies
- Dress Code
- Electronic Devices- New cell phone policy.



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# Morning Arrival

- ❑ All students are expected to be on campus no later than 8:45.
- ❑ Please do not drop off your child earlier than 8:20 unless arrangements were made with a teacher to greet them at the front door for a meeting or tutorials.
- ❑ Students enter the building in the morning by 8:20 am.

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# Morning Expectations

## Arrival:

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Report to boys' gym and sit in rows by teacher.
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade: Report to girls' gym
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Report to the cafeteria

## Breakfast:

### All students are expected to:

- Eat breakfast in the designated area in the cafeteria.
- Finish eating in a timely manner and clean their area.
- Go to the boys' gym once they are finished eating.

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# Afternoon Dismissal:

**Where students will exit the building in the afternoon:**

- Car riders will exit using the front doors. For safety reasons, no parking lot pick up or drop off. Students will not be allowed to walk to the parking lot, library, or any other location near the school.
- Walkers will exit through the doors nearest the AP office. Again, no car pick up or drop off at this exit location.
- Bus riders will exit out through the cafeteria to the bus ramp.
- All students must be picked up by 5:00 pm.

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# Afternoon Dismissal

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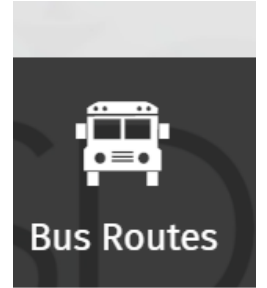
- Last chance to check out your car rider for the day is at 3:25 pm.
- After 3:25 pm, we will begin a staggered dismissal at 4:10 pm.
- All car riders, walkers and bus riders will be dismissed by hallways.
- If a bus had not yet arrived, the students will report to the gym to be held until the bus arrives. Counselors and other personnel will be in the gym to supervise.



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# FBISD Transportation:



- Access the icon below on the FBISD website.
- Input your address in the system and the bus route number will be provided.
- For bus route questions or information on special program routes, please contact:

Transport.Support@fortbendisd.com  
Customer Care Line - (281) 634-4077

The information available through this website provides general information for the convenience of Fort Bend ISD parents.

- Final student placement is determined by the campus registrar.
- For a specific campus assignment and/or for clarification of attendance boundaries, please email [boundaryplanning@fortbendisd.com](mailto:boundaryplanning@fortbendisd.com).

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# Attendance

- ❑ **Presence in school is a strong indicator of future success.**
- ❑ FBISD enforces the Texas Compulsory Attendance laws of the State of Texas.
- ❑ If a student accumulates 5 unexcused absences during the school year the student will be referred to the Truancy Diversion Program.
- ❑ Excused absence notes should be emailed, faxed or turned in, to the attendance office upon return to school.
  - Email is: [attendancedms@fortbendisd.com](mailto:attendancedms@fortbendisd.com)
  - Fax is: 281-634-5781
- ❑ The last period of the day is part of your child's instructional day. If you can refrain from checking your student out during 7<sup>th</sup> period, please do so.

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## Monday, Thursday, Friday

<b>1<sup>st</sup> period</b>	8:55-9:50 AM
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> period</b>	9:55-10:50 AM
<b>DVBN</b>	10:50-11:00 AM

<b>A Lunch</b>	
Lunch	11:00-11:30 AM
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:35-12:25 PM
4 <sup>th</sup>	12:30-1:20 PM

<b>5<sup>th</sup> period</b>	1:25-2:20 PM
<b>6<sup>th</sup> period</b>	2:25-3:15 PM
<b>7<sup>th</sup> period</b>	3:20-4:10 PM

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## Tuesday, Wednesday (Advisory Days)

<b>1<sup>st</sup> period</b>	8:55-9:45 AM
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> period</b>	9:50-10:35 AM
<b>Advisory</b>	10:40-11:30 AM

<b>A Lunch</b>	
Lunch	11:30-12:00 PM
3 <sup>rd</sup>	12:05-12:50 PM
4 <sup>th</sup>	12:55-1:40 PM

<b>5<sup>th</sup> period</b>	1:45-2:30 PM
<b>6<sup>th</sup> period</b>	2:35-3:20 PM
<b>7<sup>th</sup> period</b>	3:25-4:10 PM

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<b>Number of Tardies</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
<b>1st Tardy</b>	<b>Warning</b>
<b>2nd Tardy</b>	<b>Parent Contact</b>
<b>3rd Tardy</b>	<b>Lunch Detention, parent contact, and notification to AP</b>
<b>4th Tardy</b>	<b>PM Detention with teacher, parent contact, and notification to AP</b> <b>*Transportation home is a parental responsibility*</b>
<b>5th Tardy +</b>	<b>Referral in Skyward submitted to AP and parent contact</b>

# Cell Phone & Ear Bud Policy

## No Cell Phones – Hallway and Classrooms

If a student uses a mobile device during a time or place in which authorization to use has been denied, the device will be taken by a teacher or administrator.

**1st and 2nd offense** - Parent contact and phone returned at the end of the day.

**3rd offense** - Parent contact and parent pick up.

**4th offense and beyond** - Parent contact, parent pick up, \$15 fee paid to the DMS activity fund.

- Ear Bud Policy
  - Ear buds will be treated the same as cell phones.
  - Safety Issue

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# Dress Code

All students will follow the FBISD dress code for the upcoming school year. Students will be expected to adhere to all the guidelines in addition to the following:

- No leggings
- No tights, or other clothing that is excessively tight, unless worn with a garment that covers to mid-thigh.
- No hats, or caps
- No doo-rags
- No wave caps
- No bandanas, or hoods will be worn indoors, except on campus designated days.

For more dress code information, please visit the site below:  
[Student/Parent Handbook](#)

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# **Academic Viking Expectations:**

- Skyward
- Schoology
- Report Cards
- Structured Afterschool Tutorials:  
“The Zone”
- How to support your student



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# Skyward

- Do you have access to Skyward?
- Is your information accurate in Skyward?
  - email address
  - emergency contact info.
  - contact numbers
- Skyward information is what we use to communicate through School Messenger.
- \*Skyward is used for: Grades, Attendance, Meal Payments, Receiving STAAR Test Scores, Access Student's Schedule
- VERIFICATION FORMS!!!
- Through web browser (Google Chrome) using a computer

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## Overview:

### Skyward Family Access – Report Cards and Progress Reports

**Step 1** - Log in to Family Access at - <http://www.fortbendis.com/family-access> . Once you are at the Skyward Family Access webpage, click on “Login to Family Access” below where it says “Skyward Family Access”.

**Step 2** - Enter your login information and password \*\*\* If you do not know your information, please do one of the following:

1. Click forgot Username/Password, or
2. Contact Rana Taylor at (281) 634-5784 or email her at [rana.taylor@fortbendis.com](mailto:rana.taylor@fortbendis.com)

**Step 3** – Click on “Portfolio” – located on the left side of the screen. (If using a mobile device, click on the “+” sign then click on “Portfolio”).

**Step 4** – A list of documents or reports will appear, click on the link with the title of the report (i.e. Progress Report 1).

**Step 5** – The report will be generated. You will also have access to other reports about your child or your other children.

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# Schoology

- Teacher information/resources will be accessible to parents through Schoology.
- Use the left menu to quickly view your child's info.
  - Assignments
  - Test dates
  - Calendars
  - Grades/Attendance (Skyward is the official gradebook)
  - Copies
  - Communication with teacher
  - Summary

\*You must have a Skyward account to access Schoology.

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# Schoology

## Overview:



Step 1: You need a Skyward Family Access Account

Step 2: Schoology Login

Step 3: Follow the “Accessing Schoology for the First Time” job aid video or document.

## Navigating Schoology

1. Log in
2. Click Home
3. Messages and Notifications-Parent Account, Click your name to see your personal profile.

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# Progress Reports and Report Cards Online

- Please ensure that you check Skyward regularly progress reports and report cards.
- Fort Bend ISD progress reports and report cards are ***distributed online only***. Parents will be able to access their student's grades through Family Access and will be notified via email when they are available to view.

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# The Zone/Structure Tutorials

- After School Tutorials on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Will begin in late September
- From 4:10pm to 5:10pm
- Transportation is provided for current bus riders
- Must have a note from a parent to attend

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# How you can support your child:

- Check Skyward Often --- **\*\*set up alerts\*\***
- Attendance
- Check Schoology
- Reach out to teachers early if there is a concern
- Look at their planner
- Monitor electronics and social media
- Reach out to Ms. Abarado or Mr. Squires with any concern

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## **Other Important Information:**

- Class Schedules – Available Aug 6 in Skyward
- School ID's
- PE Uniform
- Lockers
- Year Books
- School Meal Account Access

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## **DMS School IDs:**

- Every student will receive a DMS ID.  
**Date for issue is TBD.**
- All students must visibly wear their campus ID daily on an appropriately colored lanyard.
- The first ID is free.
- A replacement ID is \$5.00
- Students will use their IDs to scan in, for lunch lines, for library, to purchase tickets, and other privileges.

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# FBISD School Meals:



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English

### Welcome to FORT BEND ISD!

We use SchoolCafé to:

- Make Payments
- Set Purchase Restrictions
- Submit Meal Applications
- View Purchases
- Set up Auto Pay
- Get Low Balance Alerts
- View Letters
- View Menus

Need to do something else?

- Sign in to your account
- Create a new account
- View Menus (as a guest)
- Contact Us!

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The district is no longer providing free breakfast or lunch for all students. The District strongly encourages all families to complete the Free & Reduced Meals application at [www.schoolcafe.com/fbisd](http://www.schoolcafe.com/fbisd).

Visit the [FBISD Child Nutrition webpage](#) to learn about other benefits available to families.



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# **FBISD PE/Kickstart Uniform Purchase:**

- P.E. Uniforms may be purchased at <https://fortbendisid.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?pg=DMS> or during P.E. classes first week of school
  - \$10 – Cotton T-shirt
  - \$10 – Shorts
  
- Kickstart Uniforms may be purchased at <https://www.kickstartkids.org/>
  - \$50 – Registration fee (First year students will receive a free uniform.)
  - \$25 – Replacement uniforms if needed.



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# **POA/Duals**

- Power of Attorney's and Dual Residency's must be renewed annually. If you have not updated your information for the upcoming school year, please do so as soon as possible.

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# When Do I Need to Talk to My School Counselor?

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- Your school counselor is your advocate and can help you problem-solve classroom situations. Any problem that you cannot stop thinking about, and it troubles you, is reason to talk with your counselor, teacher, or an administrator. We are always here to help when you are dealing with a crisis! Please ask your teacher for a pass.
- During breakfast in the cafeteria or gym with their grade level and all lunches, counselors are available. You can also come to the counseling office before or after the school day. When parents need to meet with their student's counselor, it is best to call ahead and schedule an appointment.

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# How to Contact DMS Counselors ?

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- **PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION**

- Office Information

- Phone: 281-634-5750

- Hours: 8:20 A.M. – 4:20 P.M.

- Further guidance and counseling information can be found on the DMS FBISD Web page.

<https://www.fortbendisd.com/domain/2784>



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# **Profile of a Graduate**

**A FBISD Graduate has a rigorous academic foundation, strong character, and is...**

- equipped with skills for life.
- a servant leader.
- an effective communicator.
- a critical thinker.
- a compassionate citizen.
- a collaborative team member.
- a life-long learner.

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**Thank you for being a vital  
support system for your child!**

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