



# Welcome 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Bears!

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At the end of our presentation, please pick up your student's course list and await them to meet you here in the commons.

*This will give as much time as possible for 6<sup>th</sup> graders to spend chatting with our 8<sup>th</sup> grade panel.*

We will begin promptly at 2pm and 5pm!



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# BEAR PACK 2021



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Masters in Supervision and Administration  
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- 13 years in FBISD
- Math teacher at Garcia MS and Dulles MS

***Here to serve the students at Bowie and help them to pursue futures beyond what they can imagine.***

- Product of FBISD (Austin HS and Garcia MS)
  - Sports lover
  - Dad of 4 boys
- Avid runner and amateur carpenter



# “How can I stay informed?”

<b>Skyward</b>	<b>Schoology</b>
<b>Official grades</b>	<b>Instructional material</b>
<b>Email alerts for parents (check settings)</b>	<b>Teachers’ weekly newsletters</b>
<b>Recommend to check weekly, minimum</b>	



# Communicating with teachers

- We encourage student to make first contact with teacher, when appropriate
  - Independence
  - Life skills
  - Self-advocacy
- Suggest adult assist student in writing email to teacher
- **ALWAYS** welcome to reach out directly to teacher or myself
  - Phone
  - Email
  - Set meeting during conference period



# Technology etiquette

- BYOD Campus: Bring your own device
- Allowed for instructional purposes at teachers' discretion
  - Includes cell phones (teacher permission only)
- Misuse = confiscation
  - Placed at campus attendance office for end of day pick-up
- Headphones/earbuds
  - Not in hallways
  - Classroom use only with teacher permission
- Your assistance in maintaining these appropriate use boundaries is appreciated



# Tardies

- Start of year grace period (don't panic!)
  - Counting tardies will begin a few weeks after school begins, to allow practice of schedule and passing period routines
- Not cumulative across class periods
- Re-start in January (new semester)

Consequences	
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Warning</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Contact to guardian</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Detention</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> +</b>	<b>Office referral</b>





# Lockers

- No “regular” lockers; PE and band lockers only
- Hallway congestion in passing periods (largest middle school in the district!)
- Textbooks kept at home OR in class
- ONE binder with dividers is ALL that will be needed for ALL core classes

## Water bottles

- *Not required - fountains open*
- *Leak-proof/spill-proof*
- *Safety (spills, misuse, etc)*



# Lunch

- First couple of weeks: Suggest to bring lunch vs buying from cafeteria - lines move slowly
- Adding money to student account:
  - SchoolCafe (website or app)
  - Cash or check – provide to cafeteria staff in the AM



# Get Involved

Adulging  
Club

Chess

Debate

Book Club

Art Club

Matchbook  
Club

Golf Club

Bear  
Brigade

Anime

Robotics  
and Coding

Lady GEMS

# Covid Protocols

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3 feet social distancing where possible

Masks are optional

Cleaning protocols will continue

Hand sanitizer will be available in all classrooms

Skyward health screener only if exposure or symptoms



# Transportation

## Drop off

- No earlier than 8:25am
- Front circle drive (NOT side or back of building)
- Please pull all the way forward
- Must be in class by 8:55am, keep 1<sup>st</sup> period tardies in mind

## Busses

- Have student take note of route # BEFORE first day of school
- Can look up online

**Safety is  
#1  
priority**

# It's Going to be a Great Year!

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*In no particular order-*

- Pick up student course list
- Check out PE uniform sizes
- Visit PTO School Store