

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

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



## **Assistant Principal, 6th grade**

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#### **University of Houston**

Masters in Supervision and Administration Bachelors of Science in Kinesiology



- 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?"

Skyward	Schoology
Official grades	Instructional material
Email alerts for parents (check settings)	Teachers' weekly newsletters
Recommend to check weekly, minimum	



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



## 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



Chess

Golf Club

## **Get Involved**

Book Club

Adulting Club

Debate

Art Club

Matchbook Club

Bear Brigade

Anime

Robotics and Coding

Lady GEMS

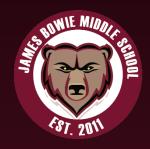
# **Covid Protocols**

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!



In no particular order-

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