



BOLES BULLETIN

Weekly Newsletter of Boles Junior High School

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From Our Principal, Mr. Benavides

Welcome to Boles JH – “Where the Best Begins!”

I am looking forward to the upcoming 2011 – 2012 school year and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you and your student!

I encourage you to get involved with the Boles PTA, communicate with your child’s teachers on a regular basis, sign on to the AISD Parent Self-Serve on-line system (provides access to your child’s attendance and grades), and get to know your child’s friends. The junior high years are an important time for your child and I believe your involvement as a parent is more important than ever. My door is always open to you and your child if there is ever a need. If you have any concerns about your child’s learning experience, do not hesitate to contact your child’s teachers, counselor, and/or grade level assistant principal.

The Boles faculty and staff have high expectations for your student and we are committed to close the achievement gaps among all student populations on our campus. The Boles JH Leadership Team will continue to collaborate and meet on a regular basis to discuss individual and student-group performance results throughout the 2011 – 2012 school year. We will begin the upcoming school year using individual student performance data and the “Response to Intervention” (RTI) process to provide early interventions, appropriate remedial instruction, and tutoring in order to fill-in learning gaps for students that are “at-risk” of not meeting state and local academic standards.

Students who fail to complete or turn in class work and/or homework can always conference with their teacher or they may be assigned to B.A.S.E. Camp. “B.A.S.E. (Boles Academic Success & Enrichment) Camp” provides homework and/or class work assistance by core subject teachers. You will be informed prior to your student being assigned to B.A.S.E. Camp. B.A.S.E. Camp is held Monday through Thursday after school throughout the school year from 4 to 5 pm. Late bus transportation will be provided for students who normally qualify for AISD transportation.

Additionally, our teachers continually strive to teach your child the needed skills and knowledge that are essential for

high school and college readiness: the ability to think critically, read and understand complex material, apply knowledge to new problems, and write well.

We will hold our annual “Meet the Teacher” PTA Association Meeting & Open House on Tuesday, August 30st at 6:30 p.m. Please plan to attend to meet your child’s new teachers.

I look forward to working with you and your student this school year!

Sincerely,
Fernando A. Benavides
Principal

2011/2012 Schedule Card Pick-Up Schedule

8th Grade: Wednesday, August 10

Last name A-K9:00am-12:00pm

Last name L-Z.....12:00pm-3:00pm

7th Grade: Thursday, August 11

Last name A-K..... 9:00am-12:00pm

Last name L-Z..... 12:00pm-3:00pm

Evening Registration for 7th and 8th Grades

Thursday, August 11.....5:00pm-7:00pm

IN ORDER TO PICK UP SCHEDULES, YOU MUST CLEAR ALL SCHOOL FINES AND BRING A PROOF OF RESIDENCY WITH A COPY OF A CURRENT ELECTRIC, GAS, OR WATER BILL.

Students will be able to walk the building to locate classes and practice opening their lockers during schedule pick-up.

IMPORTANT: Please bring your checkbook or cash on schedule card pick-up day. **EACH SCHOOL ORGANIZATION WILL COLLECT MONEY SEPARATELY.**

FROM OUR PTA PRESIDENT

Hello to all of you Boles Bulldogs out there! Your PTA board is currently preparing for the upcoming year. Our focus is parent education, family engagement and advocacy as it relates to health, welfare and education of children. Check the Boles Bulletin each week for valuable information. It will be sent to the e-mail address that you provide during schedule card pick up and will be posted on the Boles website at www.aisd.net/boles.

Be sure to stop by the Boles PTA table in the gym during schedule card pick up. You will be able to join PTA, purchase awesome new spirit wear, fill out a volunteer application, and provide student directory information. We will also be available at 7th grade parent night and Meet the Teacher night.

We have a new website this year created by one of Boles 8th graders. We will keep it updated with the latest PTA activities and important dates. We will also have information on it regarding how you can participate in PTA sponsored activities in both donating time and/or resources. That new website is www.bolesjrhighpta.org.

Thank you in advance for your support of your PTA. Without it, we would not be able to continue projects we currently enjoy such as Reflections, TAKS relief, successful student and parent education like AIM and Pathway to Success, teacher appreciation, student directories, the Boles PTA Handbook and the Boles Bulletin. Last year, in addition to these activities, your PTA assisted with the Halloween carnival, provided TAKS incentives and helped with getting the school crossing zone expanded on Green Oaks.

We look forward to meeting you on August 10th or 11th and at the first meeting on August 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Sincerely,
Jenny Reine
President, Boles Jr. High PTA
Jreine2@tx.rr.com

TEAM UP WITH PTA MEMBERSHIP AT BOLES

PTA membership continues to be an outstanding value and investment in our children's education and future. Our PTA has access to resources, materials, support, parent education programs, and training from the state and national levels of PTA. The national portion of our dues has remained the same for the past 10 years and delegates at the national convention this June approved a .50 increase. Our current total dues amount is now \$7.50 for regular members and \$4.25 if you have been honored with a Life Membership Award.

Please fill out the PTA Membership form attached to this newsletter and bring it to Boles or mail it to the address on the form.

Thank you for your support of our children!

PTA MEMBERSHIP

**Please see page 5 for a PTA Membership form.
We encourage all parents to join!**

Volunteers are Vital at Boles!

If you are planning on volunteering this year, whether in the library or workroom, as a Bulldog dad or assisting a booster club, you must be an approved volunteer. Volunteer applications are available at www.aisd.net to print. Please complete the application and include a legible copy of your driver's license and mail it to the address at the bottom of the application or return it to the school office. Forms will also be available at schedule card pickup.

Keeping Boles Green (and Blue)!

After this summer issue, the bulletin will be available online or you may have a copy e-mailed to you each week.

If you wish to read the bulletin online, simply go to www.aisd.net/boles. Click on PTA/BULLETIN. You may then select the issue you would like to read.

If you would like a copy of the bulletin e-mailed directly to you, please provide us with your e-mail address. You may do this by providing your e-mail address during schedule card pick-up or emailing Lee Hendrix at leeahend@gmail.com.

If you cannot view it electronically, it will be the responsibility of your student to pick up a paper copy for you. If you need a paper copy, please notify a PTA member at schedule card pick-up. Upon notification, paper copies will be available in the front office for pick-up.

Please welcome the following individuals that will be joining the Boles JH faculty & Staff this year:

<i>Ms. Osame Agboaye</i>	<i>8th grade Guidance Counselor</i>
<i>(Please read Ms. Agboaye's BIO on the next page!)</i>	
<i>Ms. Cara Dunlap</i>	<i>7th grade ELA/R & Resource ELA/R</i>
<i>Ms. Tiffany Guerrero</i>	<i>School Nurse</i>
<i>Ms. Tina Hargrove</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher Asst.</i>
<i>Mr. Gordan Hart</i>	<i>Head Band Director</i>
<i>Ms. Ernestina Jordan-Schmid</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher Asst.</i>
<i>Dr. Michael Perkins</i>	<i>7th & 8th grade Resource Math</i>
<i>Ms. Jean Turner</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher Asst.</i>
<i>OPEN</i>	<i>Special Education Teacher Asst.</i>

The following teachers will be in different instructional roles this year:

<i>Mr. Terry Drapeau</i>	<i>8th grade U.S. History/Boys Athletics</i>
<i>Ms. Starmye Goforth</i>	<i>7th & 8th grade Speech/Girls Athletics</i>
<i>Ms. Nancy Guerry</i>	<i>Credit Recovery/PLATO</i>
<i>Ms. Vivienne Knight</i>	<i>7th PreAP Math</i>
<i>Ms. Brandi Villanueva</i>	<i>8th grade Reading/Resource Reading</i>
<i>Ms. Natasha Williams</i>	<i>7th grade PAP Texas History</i>



***School Supplies for the first week of school:**

1 - 3" Binder

1 - set of 6 dividers

Loose leaf notebook paper

School agenda/planner (BJH student planners will be sold for \$5.00 during schedule card pick-up)

Pens, Pencils

Pencil bag

*Teachers will hand out a class specific supply list on the first day of school



Coffee with the Principal

In an effort to communicate more effectively with parents, I would like to invite all available parents to "Coffee with the Principal."

We had great monthly turnouts last year and wonderful conversations. I encourage you to attend the first "Coffee with the Principal" on Tuesday, September 13, 2011. Future meetings will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Coffee will be served from 9:00 to 9:45 am – hope to see you there.

Bulldog Band Blips



Welcome to our new band director, Mr. Gordon Hart. Mr. Hart comes to us from Martin High School, where he taught for ten years. He will be a great addition to the Boles Bulldog Band!

We hope you are having a great summer break! However, it is time to pick up those instruments and start playing again! Summer Band Camp will be August 8th thru August 12th. This camp is for all 6th, 7th and 8th grade band students at Boles, Corey, Mary Moore, and Wood. August 13th will be the Boles Cluster Band swim party at Stovall park from 9:30am – 11:30am. On Monday, August 15th, we will have the first ever "Boles Band Bash". All summer band classes will demonstrate what they learned during band camp. Concert starts at 7pm in the Boles Cafeteria

You should have already received the information about the camp through email. If not, please email Mr. Hart: ghart@aisd.net or Mrs. Parker: jparker3@aisd.net. We hope to see everyone at camp! We are looking forward to a GREAT year!

Gordon Hart and Jessica Parker/682.867.8062-Band Hall

Meet our new 8th grade counselor, Ms. Osame Agboaye!

Hello and happy summer! My name is Ms. Osame Agboaye (O-saw-me Agg-boy-yeah) and I have the honor of working with your 8th Grade students as their Guidance Counselor. I am a Nigerian-American and a Native Texan. My background is teaching, but my passion has always been helping children and teens develop into healthy, confident young people who will grow to reach their full potential. As a proud UNT Alumni, my passion for counseling has opened many doors to work with children from various backgrounds.

In my leisure time, I enjoy traveling, fitness, reading, shopping, church fellowship, and spending time with close friends and family. I am committed to making your child's 8th Grade year as smooth as possible. For questions or concerns about your child, I can be reached at 682-867-8013 or oagboaye@aisd.net.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to meeting each of you in August. Go Bulldogs!



Football and Volleyball Parent Meeting

The annual Football/Volleyball pre-season parent meeting will be Tuesday, August 16th at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria and in the south gym. End time should be 7:00 pm.

Darryl Wilkins CSCS
Athletic Coordinator
Head Football Coach
Boles Jr. High School
682-867-8069

BOLES ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB ("BABC")

The BABC welcomes everyone back to Boles!!

The BABC will have a table set up at registration. Please stop by and check us out. We look forward to meeting you! This is a great opportunity to join the BABC, purchase spirit wear and choose your concession sign up time.

If your child is signed up for athletics, this is a great way to support the fantastic athletic program at Boles. All the money is reinvested in the athletic program which directly benefits our Boles athletes.

Please stop by the BABC table at registration and say "Hello!"

We are looking forward to another great year at Boles!



Parking Lot and Pedestrian Safety!

Parents, **PLEASE DO NOT STOP IN THE DRIVE-THROUGH LANE.** Traffic flows best when this lane is kept moving. The drive-through lane is the one next to the parallel parking spaces, closest to Green Oaks Blvd.

The drop-off and pick-up of students should be done in the two lanes closest to the angled parking spaces **ONLY WHEN YOU REACH THE CROSSWALK ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING'S MAIN DOORS.**

DO NOT drop off or pick-up students on Green Oaks Blvd.

DO NOT drop off or pick-up students in the bus lane (next to the front walk).

The City of Arlington does not provide a crossing guard in front of the school on Green Oaks Blvd., so please observe the 20mph school zone and please stop to allow students to cross Green Oaks Blvd. **THIS IS FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY!!**

For those parents who are new to Boles, the Boles JH PTA was able to establish a new cross-walk at the east end of the school on Green Oaks. Your child now has two cross-walks to make their way across safer.

Athletic News and Physicals

Students who participate in athletics and/or P.E. will be required to wear uniforms. They will be available for purchase at schedule card pickup.

Athletes must have a notarized AISD Athletic Participation Form on file before they can participate. This requires a physician's signature. The form can be found on the Boles JH website at www.aisd.net/boles.

YEARBOOKS!

You will be able to purchase a 2011-2012 yearbook during schedule card pick-up. Order yours early!



The first day of school is
Monday, August 22!
School begins at 8:55 a.m.



Don't forget...the first PTA meeting of the year is Tuesday, August 30 at 6:00pm.

The first holiday of the school year is coming up fast! No school on Monday, September 5, in observance of Labor Day.



Join the Boles PTA for 2011-2012 school year

Sign up now and you will be entered into
A drawing to win a **Boles** gift basket!!!

Dues are just \$7.50 or \$5.25 if you've
Been honored with a life membership!

Membership is open to anyone concerned with
education, health and welfare of children and youth; especially now. Get involved for your
children and your Community.

Name(s) & address of member(s) email address:

Student(s) name(s):

_____ x \$7.50 per member

_____ x \$5.25 - if you are a Life Member

_____ Total



Please make checks payable to: *Boles PTA*

Please return this form with payment to: Boles Jr. High -OR- Mail to: Diahann Hughes
5707 Memorial
Arlington, TX 76017

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The Arlington ISD Council of PTAS announces the following information for Boles Junior High

BOLES JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

**3900 SW Green Oaks Blvd.
Arlington, TX 76017**

Principal: Fernando A. Benavides

Main Number: 682-867-8006

Attendance Clerk Phone Number: 682-867-8001

Data Clerk/Registrar phone number: 682-867-8002

Monday through Thursday Office Hours are 8:00am - 4:30pm

Friday Office Hours are 8:00am - 4:00 pm