

Bowie High School

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James Bowie High School Feeder Schools



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Bowie Assistant Principals



Principal
Reny Lizardo



**Dean of
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Natasha Fowler



Assistant Principal
David Morrow
Students A-Co



Assistant Principal
Gabriel Baldwin
Students Cr-G



Assistant Principal
Alicia DeVaul
Students H-L



Assistant Principal
Dr. Keith Johnson
Students M-O



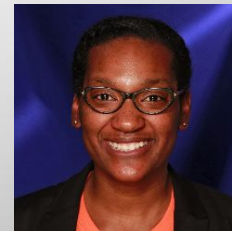
Assistant Principal
Lee Jones
Students P-Se



Assistant Principal
Nakia Muirhead
Students Sf-V



Assistant Principal
Noelle Lozano
Students W-Z



Pathways to
Technology Assistant
Principal

Bowie Counselors



NyTasha Wilson *AVID



Stephanie Threets *Mem-Ph



Denese Scott *A-Cha



Keitcha Jones *Pi-Sub



Anitra Givens *Chb-Ge



Tawana Franklin-Norton *Suc-Z



Alberta Fears *Gf-Ke



Teresa Sandoval *P-Tech
Counselor



Danielle McCray *IB & Kf-Mel



Kevin McKinney
Intervention Specialist



Block Schedule



- Students will attend four classes each day at 90 minutes each.
- This means they will see their teachers every other day unless they are “double-blocked” which means they will have that class every day at the same time.
- Periods 1-4 occur on “A day” and periods 7-10 occur on “B day”.

School Hours

- School hours are 7:35 – 3pm
 - This may take some getting used to, but students are expected to be in their first class each morning by 7:35.



High School Promotion

- Semester grades average to help students maintain a full credit in any given course.
 - Example 1:
 - Semester 1 = 65%
 - Semester 2 = 75% Average grade = 70 (student receives full credit)
 - Example 2:
 - Semester 1 = 60%
 - Semester 2 = 75% Average grade = 68 (student does not receive credit for Semester 1)
- If a student fails any semester of a required course in high school, that semester must be taken again. (see Example 2)
*unless averaging can apply
- **If a student is failing or unsuccessful in a course, the first point of contact should be the teacher.**

Classification Requirements

A student's current grade level is determined by the number of credits earned.

Did I pass to the next grade level?

Please check your credits for your classification.



Freshman	Fewer than <u>6 credits</u>
Sophomore	Must have at least <u>6 credits</u>
Junior	Must have at least <u>12 credits</u>
Senior	Must have at least <u>18 credits</u>





Attendance

According to the 2021-2022 AISD Student Code of Conduct (Page 87):

- Students are required to be in each class 90% of the semester in order to earn credit for the course.
- Students who accrue five absences or more in a class per semester may not receive credit for that class.
- If a student has ABS hours then need to contact their assistant principal to find out how to make up the time.
- Any other questions regarding attendance, please contact the attendance office

Graduation Requirements and Promotion



Foundations with Endorsements

Course Requirements

- 4 English Credits
- 4 Math Credits
- 4 Science Credits
- 3 Social Studies Credits
- 1 Physical Ed Credit
- 1 Fine Arts Credit
- 2 Foreign Language Credits (same language)
- 7 Elective Credits
- Credit Requirements specific to at least one endorsement

Total = 26 credits

**1 credit = 1 full year

FAFSA Requirement



- Beginning with the class of 2021, all seniors are required by the state of Texas to complete the FAFSA/TAFSA as part of the graduation requirements.

Endorsements



- A student may earn an endorsement by successfully completing curriculum requirements in the following areas:
 - STEM – science, technology, engineering and mathematics
 - Business and Industry
 - Public Services
 - Arts and Humanities

(See course handbook below for specific requirements)

<https://www.aisd.net/wp-content/files/2021-2022-High-School-Course-Description-Handbook-English.pdf>

Graduation Plans

□ Foundations with Endorsements Graduation Plan

- AISD Graduation Standard

□ Foundations with Endorsements Distinguished Achievement Graduation Plan

- Distinguished Level of Achievement is the Foundation/Endorsement Plan including Algebra 2.

STAAR/EOC Assessments



What is STAAR?



- STAAR End-Of-Course
 - State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness
 - Required tests for graduation:
 - English I
 - Algebra
 - Biology
 - English II
 - US History
 - **Students will have their first attempt during the school year they take the corresponding course.**

Retakes



- If a student is unsuccessful on their first attempt of their EOC, they will have opportunities to re-take the tests each summer, fall and spring until they pass all required exams.
- Example: If a student passes all tests, except Algebra I, they will only retake Algebra I until it is successfully completed.

Advanced Academics & New Course offerings





AVID:

Advancement Via Individual Determination

You must meet ALL of the following:

- Average to High test scores
- 2.5 – 3.5 GPA
- College potential with support
- Desire and determination
- Is enrolled in advanced coursework

AND

You must meet ONE of the following:

- First to attend college
- Historically underserved in 4-year colleges
- Low Income
- Special circumstance



Advanced Placement®

- Advanced Placement courses are open enrollment.
- AP Courses are offered in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Art, Spanish, French and Computer Science
- Students are strongly encouraged to register for and take the AP exam at the end of the course

3 TOP REASONS to TAKE AP COURSES

- 1. Impress College Admission Counselors**
 - Colleges want to see that you've taken the most challenging courses available to you!
- 2. Develop College-Level Academic Skills**
 - AP classes require high-level calculating and critical thinking that you'll need to be successful in college courses.
- 3. SAVE MONEY!!!!**
 - Score a 3 or higher on an AP exam and you'll earn college credit for the course!!! That can save you thousands of dollars!

Academic Dual Credit

- ❖ Credit is offered for juniors and seniors. Must have a 7.0 gpa (AISD scale) or higher to be eligible
- ❖ Score on Texas Success Initiative Assessment determines eligibility for course
- ❖ Successful completion of course earns student college credit
- ❖ Courses offered include **English IV, US History, US Government & Economic**
- ❖ Students have the option to take courses during the summer

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme®

- *The IB diploma program is a two-year collaborative program of 6.5 IB courses (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, elective and Theory of Knowledge)*
- *College credits are earned through an average of scores on assessments and tests, not just one exam.*
- *A close-knit environment with support through technology, teacher tutorials, study groups and Coordinator and Counselor support.*



Specialty Courses

- OnRamps

- UT (Austin) college credit upon successful completion of the course.

Course Number	High School Course in TEAMS	College Course	Grade	Credit
SC1295R	Scientific Research Design	GeoScience	11 th & 12 th	Regular Weight
SC1395R	Scientific Research Design	GeoScience	9 th & 10 th	Honors Weight
SC1273R	Earth and Space Science	GeoScience	11 th & 12 th	Regular Weight
SC1373R	Earth and Space Science	GeoScience	9 th & 10 th	Honors Weight
MA1270R	Independent Study Math	College Algebra	11 th & 12 th	Regular Weight
MA1370R	Advanced Algebra II	College Algebra	9 th - 12 th	Honors Weight
MA1265R	Statistics	Statistics	11 th & 12 th	Regular Weight
MA1365R	Statistics	Statistics	9 th & 10 th	Honors Weight

MA1270R we do NOT have



The University of Texas at Austin
OnRamps

New Course Offering:

The Center for Visual and Performing Arts is offering courses!



Useful Information



Stay informed - Parent Self Serve Portal

- Allows parents to register for access to view grades and attendance information for their student, as well as directly email teachers concerning their student.
- Register online by going to aisd.net and selecting “Parent Self Serve” from the Parent menu.

CANVAS



We use canvas as our main platform.

The counseling canvas has important information from the counselors such as the transcript request link, gpa exemption forms, scholarship information, etc.

All students should be in the counseling canvas for their cohort.

If they are not, they can add themselves with the links provided on our counseling page on the Bowie website.

Xello



- Allows students to make course selections for the next school year as well as take interest surveys, check graduation requirements, research colleges and careers, etc.
- **High School counselors will begin meeting with students this fall to initiate the selection process.**
 - We will begin meeting with students in the fall for course selections for next year.
 - Students will have a February deadline to enter courses in Xello.
 - They will have until the last day of school to make changes to their schedules for the following year.
 - No Schedule changes the following school year.
- Parents may gain access to their student's accounts by having their student log in to review selections prior to the Xello course selection deadline

InVOLvement = Success

- All students are encouraged to get involved on campus in some form or fashion. Many colleges and universities look for students that are part of their campus community.
- Ways to get involved:
 - Clubs and Organizations
 - Athletics
 - Fine Arts
 - Specialized academic programs such as AVID and/or IB
 - Community Volunteer

InVOLvement is Key to Success:

Folklorico
SalsaClub Track/CrossCountry
Belles Cheerleading
Golf Baseball
FCA Wrestling Soccer GamerClub
StepTeam Basketball Debate
GirlTalk Volleyball
DramaClub Bowie ProjectSOAR
Tennis STUCO
KeyClub



Get Connected

Parent Remind Codes:

Text the parent code with the @ symbol to the phone number 81010.

Make sure the code you text is the class for your students.

Class of 2022 Parents-
@counslr22

Class of 2023 Parents-
@counslr23

Class of 2024 Parents-
@counslr24

Class of 2025 Parents-
@counslr25

Get Connected and inVolved!

□ Bowie Connections

- www.aisd.net/bowie

- Facebook – search “James Bowie High School” (Education page)

- Twitter

 - @JamesBowieHS

 - @JamesBowieHSCnslrs

- Instagram

 - @bowiehs_counseling

- For more information on Graduation Requirements and Endorsements as well as Course offerings, visit the AISD website

Important Dates

September 8th - GPA Exemption Forms Deadline 4pm

September 18th - Super Saturday 9am-12pm

September 23rd - AISD College Fair @UTA 6-8pm

October 5th - ACT for Seniors

October 13th - PSAT (10th, 11th, AVID 9th)

December 7th - English 1 STAAR/EOC Retest

December 9th - English 2 STAAR/EOC Retest

March 2nd - SAT for Juniors

April 5th - English 1 EOC

April 7th - English 2 EOC

May 3rd - 6th Alg 1, US Hist, Bio



Q & A



Q: If a student is out and working online at home, will they still be counted absent?

A: Since there is no virtual option this year, any student not present in person in class will be counted absent.

Q: What if a student is out due to COVID?

A: Contact the attendance office as well as your students AP. The absence will still count against them even if it is excused.

Q: What if my student was supposed to be a 10th grader but they are still a 9th grader? How can they catch up?

A: Grade level is determined by the number of credits the student has. Even though a student's classification may not have changed, they still may be taking classes for the next grade level. They will need to speak with their counselor to develop a plan to catch up.

Q: Is the "No schedule change" process new?

A: Not really. We just changed the deadline from fall to spring.

Q: What exactly is an endorsement and are they going to be working in that field?

A: An endorsement is an area of interest that guides their elective choices. It helps students enroll in electives that they are interested in as opposed to just choosing random classes. It also helps them get experience in potential future careers.

Q: How can my student get into AVID?

A: Students can apply into AVID during their 9th and 10 grade year. The application is located in the Counseling Canvas Course.