



Week of October 29-November 2, 2018

## No Halloween Costumes

Students will not be allowed to wear costumes, parts of costumes, masks, wigs, or face/body make-up related to Halloween on Halloween Day, Wednesday, October 31st. On Halloween Day, we will follow our normal dress code rules and violation procedures. Non-violent Halloween T-shirts, socks, etc. will be allowed as long as they are in compliance with our normal dress code

## PTA Raffle Tickets Now on Sale

You can now purchase tickets for a chance to win one of four prizes, including the new Yeti Camino Carryall 35, a Ring Video Doorbell, Beats Studio 3 Wireless Headphones, and a Hisense 55": Smart TV. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for a bundle of five. Winners will be drawn on November 16th, which is Bear Day.

[Click Here to Purchase Raffle Tickets](#)



## Six Weeks Testing Schedule

The second 6 week grading period ends on Friday, November 2. The 6 week testing schedule\* is as follows:

- Tuesday, October 30: Science, Electives
- Wednesday, October 31: Reading/Spanish, Social Studies
- Thursday, November 1: English, Math
- Friday, November 2: Make-up

\*Some teachers may alter test dates as needed. Students will be informed of these changes.

## **Water, Water, Water**

As we remain under the boil water order, please continue to send your students to school with a water bottle each day. Thank you to everyone who brought in water to share.

## **Bailey is a Polling Location on Election Day**

Once again, Bailey Middle School will be a polling location on election day (Tuesday, November 6th). Polls will be open from 7am – 7pm. Lines are expected to be long and will impact traffic at drop-off and pickup. On election day, you may vote at any voting location. Note, Bailey is NOT an early voting location.

## **Photo Retakes**

Photo Texas Photography will be on campus on Thursday, November 1st to take photos for newly enrolled students or students who were absent on photo day.

## **Fun Friday 11/2 - Camouflage Day**

The first Friday of each month is a dress up spirit day. November's theme is "camouflage". We can't wait to see you (or not see you) on Friday, November 2nd.

## **Spinal Screenings on Campus**

Our school will do spinal screenings for seventh grade girls and eighth grade boys on Monday, November 5th during advisory period. State law states that schools must screen students for spinal problems for girls in the 7th grade and boys in the 8th grade. A trained screener will check your child for signs of spinal problems like scoliosis. The screening is simple. Screeners will look at your child's back while he or she stands and bends forward and run a scoliometer down the length of the spine to look for abnormal curvature. Important recommendations for exam day: both girls and boys should wear thinner shirts. If the student is wearing a jacket or hoodie they will be asked to

remove that item of clothing. Boys and girls will be screened separately and one at a time. The school will send you a letter if your child does not pass the screening. The letter will tell you how to follow up with a doctor. This screening is not a medical exam. Your child still needs to see a doctor for checkups.

If you do not wish to have your child screened for religious reasons, you must submit an exemption to the school no later than Friday November 2nd.

## A Message from the PTA Membership Chair

Dear Bear Community,

We are off to a great start serving all students and teachers at Bailey! Our biggest win of year so far has been our Bonfire and Silent Auction. The money we raised from those events has allowed us to purchase a new band saw for Mr. Adams' wood shop and to help fund Mr. Thompson's Robotics team. Your continued support will allow us to fund more programs throughout the rest of the school year. We cannot fund these programs that make Bailey so great without the support from you, our members. Being a Bailey PTA member helps us achieve our goal of helping every student make the most of their time while here at Bailey. There are just 3 more days until the Fall PTA membership drive comes to a close and we are only 37 members away from our goal of 300 members. If you haven't joined, please do so today because TOGETHER WE SHINE.

Sincerely,

Stacy Turchiano

Bailey PTA Membership Chair

[Click here to join Bailey PTA - Only \\$10](#)

## Veterans Day Assembly

Bailey's Veterans Day Assembly will take place on Friday, November 9th at 2:54PM. Students from Band, Orchestra and Choir will perform a musical tribute to our country. We would love for Veterans from our community to join us at this special assembly. RSVP is not required, but we would like to learn more about our special guests joining us for this assembly. Contact [christina.noser@austinisd.org](mailto:christina.noser@austinisd.org) if you are planning to join us or have something to contribute to this event.

## Bear Day 2018! Friday, November 16, 1:30-3:30pm

### What is Bear Day?

Bear Day is Bailey's annual school carnival that takes place during the school day. There are lots of fun activities like balloon sculpting, caricatures, graffiti wall, nail and face painting, disc golf

throw, water balloon fights, a giant slide, basketball throw, and everyone's favorite, voting to see which staff member will have to kiss a pig! Each booth is hosted by different school groups and departments such as the Band, the Art Department, and the Science Department.

### **How does it work?**

Students will still attend all classes on this day. The School has a special, abbreviated bell schedule. Bear Day begins after the completion of 8th period at 1:30. Students are dismissed from school at 3:40.

### **Volunteers are needed**

Events like this can't happen without a few parent volunteers. [Visit the signup to VOLUNTEER to HELP with general needs.](#) Additional request for volunteers and donations may be sent directly through specific organizations (Orchestra, Theatre Boosters, etc.). This is a fun event to volunteer for, and most parents enjoy being on campus to get a glimpse of Bear Day in action.

### **Tickets**

Tickets are sold for 50 cents each, and most games are between 50 cents - \$2. There are two ways to purchase tickets- online or in person. All pre-purchased tickets will be distributed to students during their 8th period advisory class on Bear Day, so that tickets are not misplaced prior to the event.

### **In-Person Ticket Sales at School**

Students can purchase tickets with cash or checks made payable to Bailey Middle School in the mornings before school on 11/13, 11/14, 11/15 and 11/16. Tickets will also be sold during Bear Day.

### **Online Ticket Sales Start 10/18**

Parents can purchase tickets for their students online at "School Cash Online" starting NEXT Friday, November 2nd through November 14th, using a credit or debit card. Look for the link in next weeks email. It only takes a few minutes to register and set up an account for your child(ren). Once the account is set up, purchasing anything through the School Cash Online system is simple, and very similar to other online payment systems.

All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to cover various costs of supplies and materials in support of a wide range of academic and social activities, field trips and related fees for all grade levels.

## **Book Donations Needed for Library**

Bailey Library needs your gently used books to replenish our "Give a book, Take a book" bookshelf. Books/magazines appropriate for Grades 6th-8th grade appreciated. There is a donation drop box in the front office. We will be accepting donations all school year. Thank you!

## **Yearbook Info**

Yearbooks are currently on sale for the lowest price \$35. Order now before the price goes up! You can also order your recognition ad for the yearbooks at this time. Prices start at \$30 for recognition ads. Visit [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com) for more info!

## Upcoming Events

### October

- **29** 8A Football vs Small @ Burger Stadium 7:30PM
- **30** 7A Football vs O.Henry @ Burger Stadium 6:00PM
- **30** Six Weeks Tests
- **31** Six Weeks Tests

### November

- **1** Six Weeks Tests
- **1** Picture Re-take Day
- **1** 7th A/B Bball VS Ann Richards 7B@6PM / 7A@7PM @ Bailey
- **1** 8th A/B Girls Bball @ Ann Richards 8B@6PM / 8A@7PM (AWAY)
- **1** TCBY Spirit Night 4-8PM
- **2** Fun Friday - Camouflage Day
- **2** Six Weeks Tests: Make-up Test Day
- **2** End of Second 6 weeks
- **3** Boys Soccer VS O.Henry @ Bailey; A-9:00/B-10:30
- **6** Election Day; Bailey is a Polling Location
- **10** VEX Robotics Tournament 8:00am-4:00pm
- **16** Bear Day
- **19-23** Thanksgiving Holiday

## Helpful Links

Click here for the [2018-2019 Bell Schedule](#).

Click here for our [Online Absence Form](#)

Click here for the [2018-2019 AISD School Calendar](#)

Click here for additional [Student Holidays due to District of Innovation](#)

Click here for the [Bailey Athletics Website](#)

Click here for the [Clear Bag Policy](#).

Click here for [information on student-athlete physicals, including forms](#)

Click here for [School Bus Route Information](#)

Click here for [Bailey's Code of Conduct](#)

Click here for [School Cafe](#) information, including making payments, purchase history, cafe menus and applying for free & reduced meal benefits.

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