

Bailey Bear Happenings



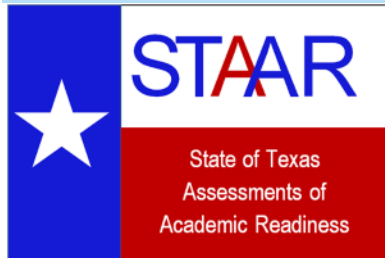
Week of March 25, 2019

Fifth Six Weeks Testing Schedule

The fifth six-weeks ends on Friday, March 29th. The six-weeks testing schedule is below. Note, teachers may alter tests dates as needed. Students will be informed of these changes.

- **Tuesday, March 26th: Electives, English**
- **Wednesday, March 27th: Math, Science**
- **Thursday, March 28th: Social Studies, Reading/Spanish**
- **Friday, March 29: Make-up Test Day**

STAAR Test Dates- Mark your calendar



Your support is appreciated in ensuring that your student is in attendance and on time for testing, and that you don't schedule appointments during this time.

Month	Date	Grade(s)	Subject
April 2019	Tuesday, April 9	7	Writing
	Tuesday, April 9	8	Mathematics
	Wednesday, April 10	8	Reading
	Wednesday, April 10	7	Grade 8 Math STAAR for students in Advanced Math
	Thursday, April 11	7 / 8	Make-up Test Date
May 2019	Week of May 6-10	8	Algebra I End-of-Course Testing Window
	Monday, May 13	6 / 7	Mathematics
	Monday, May 13	8	Mathematics Retest
	Tuesday, May 14	6 / 7	Reading
	Tuesday, May 14	8	Reading Retest
	Wednesday, May 15	8	Science
	Thursday, May 16	8	Social Studies
	Friday, May 17	6 / 7 / 8	Make-up Test Date

Lost and Found - last call before donated to Goodwill

Once again the lost and found overflows. It is currently filled with LOTS of light jackets and hoodies. Please encourage your students to check for their missing items. Items left after March 29th will be donated to Goodwill.

Student Volunteer needed to create picture slideshow

Searching for a student who would be interested in creating a photo slide show set to music to apply for a grant from Fender Guitars. We have the photos, just need the student man power. We are also interested in creating a video from footage from this year's Bailey's Got Talent show in April. If your student is interested, have them contact christina.noser@austinisd.org.

For all 6th and 7th grade students:

It's time to register your student(s) for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. Only 29% of returning students have registered so far. Help us meet our goal of 100% students registered by the end of April!

New and Returning students can find all the information needed to register at the following link: <https://www.austinisd.org/enroll> Review any information already provided from last year and finalize your students registration.

If you did not register online last year, please follow the information provided at the link to set up a parent cloud prior to completing registration.

Remember, ALL current Bailey students must be registered for the upcoming school year. This process can only be completed online. The sooner it is completed, the better able we are to plan and schedule for next school year.

Need assistance? **PARENT HELP HOTLINE 512-414-9187**

Congrats to Ms. Tafoya & NPA Students!



Congratulations to Ms. Tafoya, her Native Plants and Animals classes, and all the Bailey students who worked hard to create our Monarch Butterfly Garden! Ms. Tafoya received a special visit this week, officially declaring it as a Certified Schoolyard Habitat. We believe the time and work Ms. Tafoya and the students put into this will provide future Bailey students a place to connect with nature. If you haven't seen our beautiful, student created Monarch Butterfly Garden yet, come visit at our end of the month plant sale.

To learn more about this program, visit <http://nwf.org/schoolyard>.

Bailey Bands Shine at UIL Competition



We are so proud of our 7th and 8th grade band students!! All three groups impressed the 6 judges and we received straight ones, the highest score possible. Our students were professional, focused, and on top of it. Congratulations to Ms. McGarry, Ms. Alvarado, and Mr. Leo for bringing home superior ratings!

Bailey Orchestra News

Congratulations to the Bailey Varsity and Junior Varsity Orchestras who received Superior and Excellent ratings on their outstanding performance at Region 18 Concert and Sight Reading Competition last week. We are very proud of all our Orchestra students for their hard work and dedication. Thank you, Ms. McArthur, for helping create an outstanding Fine Arts program at Bailey!

Bailey Robotics does it again!

Congratulations to our Bailey Robotics Team for dominating the Southwest Texas State Tournament last Saturday! In addition to receiving numerous awards, the ENTIRE Bailey Team was presented with the Judges Award, a huge recognition for our students, Mr. Thompson and the program.

Here are other awards and recognitions received:

State Tournament Champions - Fuzzy Logic and Botts, two of Bailey's own allied together and won 1st place in the State Finals with a 25 to 2 victory!

Robot Skills Award - Congratulations to Ultra Flex Tape for receiving the Skills Award! This award is presented to the team with the highest combined Programming and Driving Skills Challenge score. This team was ahead of its competitors by 4 points!

Excellence Award - A BIG shout out and congratulations to Ultra Flex Tape for receiving the Excellence Award. The Excellence Award is the highest award presented in the VEX Robotics Competition. The recipient of this award demonstrates excellence in all components of the VEX competition. This was a well-deserved recognition for this team!



This Month's Counseling Newsletter



Guidance Newsletter

Bailey Middle School

March 2019

Mindfulness: A Daily Practice That Could Change Your Life!

Bailey Counselors Are Focused on Mindfulness this Month. [Click Here](#) to learn more about Mindfulness and how a 5 minute daily practice can help your family!

Camp Bailey Orientation Camp for Incoming 6th Graders

All incoming 6th graders are invited to join us for Camp Bailey, our single-day orientation camp. Our 2019 camp dates are Thursday, May 30, Tuesday, August 6, and Wednesday, August 7. Camp runs from 8:30-2:00PM. Tuition is \$20, but full and partial scholarships are available.

Please visit the Camp Bailey website to register and learn more: <http://campbailey.weebly.com/>

Don't miss out! Order your yearbook!

The Bailey Yearbook has sold out the last few years. Don't miss getting your copy! Order at www.jostens.com.

Procrastination is nobody's friend. Get ahead-of-the-game and check "order yearbook" off your list today!



Donation Drive! Clean out your closets & support the Library!

Bailey librarian, [Jennifer Ripstra](#), is once again organizing a donation fundraiser to earn funds for the school's library. If you do some spring cleaning, save your donations for us and drop them off at Bailey starting March 25th.

How does it work? Savers is a for-profit, global thrift retailer offering gently used clothing, accessories and household goods. Through their fundraising program, Bailey collects the donations, and Savers pays by the pound for goods collected.

Bailey Middle School Library's 2nd Annual FUNdrive Fundraiser!

March 25 - April 1

FUNDrive™
savers unique



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Donate **SOFT GOODS** to us!

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Bedding
- Towels
- Bags/Backpacks
- Purses/Wallets
- Ties
- Hats
- Mittens
- Scarves
- Belts

Our Goal:

1000 bags

(33 gallon size)

Drop off donations at Bailey Middle School
4020 Lost Oasis Hollow
Austin, TX 78739

Truck & moving support
generously provided by



TWO MEN AND A TRUCK.
"Movers Who Care."

Contact Jennifer Ripstra, Librarian, with questions: jennifer.ripstra@austinisd.org

It's time to order your spring library shirt!

Due to the popularity of our previous shirts, we are extending the offer to purchase library shirts to our Bailey families and community! Place your order by March 26th. Payment can be dropped off at Bailey with cash or check (made payable to Bailey Middle School). Orders should arrive mid-April! Submit your order online at <http://bit.ly/LibShirtsMarch2019>

Library Shirts - Spring 2019

Buy one to show your support of reading & libraries!



Short Sleeve \$12
Softstyle t-shirt in jade



Short Sleeve \$10
Regular t-shirt in purple or blue



Go to <http://bit.ly/LibShirtsMarch2019> to order your shirt!

Order & pay for your shirt -- cash or check --
by March 26th!
(Payment can be given to Jennifer Ripstra)

All shirts will be personalized with the following:
Austin ISD Libraries

Morning Track Drop-Off - Please use bus loop



For safety reasons, we ask that ALL students be dropped off in the bus loop for morning track practice. Only AISD employees and delivery trucks should enter the back area. Due to the lack of light, we prefer to keep this part of campus a pedestrian only area. This applies to all sports year round. Thank you for your understanding.

Boys and Girls Track Parent Meeting - 3/26 @ 6PM

There is a mandatory parent track meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 26th at 6:00 in the cafeteria. It is very important that you attend this meeting, which will cover procedures in more detail. If you cannot attend, please make arrangements for another parent to share info with you. Bailey Athletic Boosters will be on hand selling track shirts.

Summer Camp Links

Our neighboring high schools are beginning to share high school camp information. We will do our best to share with you what is sent our way, but it is always best to check the high schools websites for the latest info.

- [Bowie Baseball Camp](#)
- [Bowie Girl's Basketball Camp](#)
- [Bowie Silver Star Dance Camp \(held at Bailey\)](#)
- [Bowie Summer Drama Camp](#)
- [Bowie Football Summer Camp \(grades 3-8\)](#) (*Link Corrected)

Bailey Greenhouse Plant Sale New Date: Weekend of March 30th-31st

Bailey's Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, March 30 - Sunday, March 31

9:00AM - 3:00PM

Follow directional signs to the
school greenhouse.



Our school's plant sale has been postponed to the last weekend in March. Come pick out some plants for your home garden and support our school!

Plant Sale Volunteers Needed- Both Student & Adult

Are you a plant person? Have a student needing service hours? Volunteers are needed to help make our plant sale a success. Visit the signup to see open spots: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4fadac2aa3f94-bailey13>

Boxes Needed for Plant Sale

We are in need of boxes in a variety of sizes for customers to carry their plants home. Drop off boxes in the front office or leave at the gates at the greenhouse in the back of school. Thank you for any help.

Have unwanted plants or pots?

We'll take them! We've had great success in the past repotting unwanted plants or making "vintage" pots appealing to other customers. If you have something garden/plant wise taking up space that you no longer want, drop it off at our greenhouse gates in the back of school, or contact our Plant Sale Coordinator, Mike Berryman at mebrdb1963@gmail.com. We can put your old watering cans, wheel barrows, unwanted mulch, old garden tools and more to good use!

Immunization Clinic for 6th graders moving to 7th grade

State law requires your child to receive a Tdap booster and a meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine before 7th grade. Bailey will be hosting an [in-school immunization clinic](#) on April 24, 2019, similar to the flu shot clinic earlier this year. Return completed consent forms, one for [Tdap \(click here\)](#) and one for [MCV4 \(click here\)](#), to Bailey ASAP to add your child to the list. Forms are also available in the front office.



The flyer is titled "Healthy Schools IN-SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS". It features a background image of children and a teal header. The main text reads: "Register your child by returning a paper consent form to their school." Below this, it says "Give your child a boost" and explains that state law requires a Tdap booster and MCV4 vaccine before 7th grade. It lists "How it Works" in three steps: Sign Up (returning forms to school), In-School Visit (clinic at school), and Results (confirmation after clinic). A "No-Cost Promise" section states that Healthy Schools covers costs and guarantees zero out-of-pocket costs. Contact information includes the website www.healthyschoolsllc.com and a phone number 1-800-566-3596.

Photos Needed for Athletic Banquet

The Athletic Booster Club will be accepting action shots of all 7th and 8th grade athletes for the athletic banquet this May. We are also accepting baby pictures of all 8th grade male and female Athletes. Please send in a jpg or pdf format. Please don't email a cell phone picture because it will not transfer in good quality. The cut off date to submit both action shots and baby pictures will be April 26th.

Email photos to baileyathleticsbooster@gmail.com

Photos Needed for 8th Grade Completion Ceremony Slide Show

Turn your photos into memories! Celebrate the completion of 8th grade by sending in photos while you were at Bailey! Share your Bailey pride, smiles, and achievements to be displayed at the 8th completion slideshow and available on the website. Photos should be during your time at Bailey. Send up to 3 photos to mschank123@gmail.com no later than May 10th. You will receive a confirmation your photo was received within 1-2 days.

From the Attendance Office

There are several ways to send an attendance note when your student is absent:

1. Send a written note with your student to drop off in the front office
2. Fill out the Google Attendance Form on the Bailey Website: <http://www.baileybears.org/parents/attendance>
3. Email the note to amanda.graves@austinisd.org.

Please be sure to include your student's first and last name, dates of absence and reason for absence. If you have a note from a doctor, you can take a picture or scan and email to the above email address.

Save the Date



ABC KITE FEST
EXCHANGE CLUB
SHOWCASE & CONTEST

Kite Contest

for homemade kites

Enter and win a trophy at the ABC Kite Festival

Open to all ages
Contest registration is 11am to 2pm
Contest starts at 1pm

Zilker Park
Sunday March 31
Free!

Kite Contest Categories:

- 50 yard dash for kids
- Steadiest Kite
- Highest Angle Kite
- Strongest Pulling Kite
- Smallest Kite
- Most Unusual Kite
- Largest Kite
- Oldest and Youngest kite fliers in the contest

Events and rules on the back or check our web site

(512) 448-KITE (5483) ABCKiteFestival.org


The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require special assistance for participation in our programs or use of our facilities, please call (512) 974-6700.



SAVE THE DATE

Bailey's
GOT
TALENT

APRIL 16 6:30PM



SAVE THE DATE
Monday, April 22nd @ 6:30PM
Bailey Middle School Cafeteria
JOIN US FOR A PARENT PRESENTATION

E-CIGARETTES & JUUL

AN EPIDEMIC AMONG OUR YOUTH **FREE PRESENTATION**

Youth e-cigarette use is on the rise. Make sure you're informed!

Category	2017	2018
High school students	11.7%	20.8%
Middle school students	3.3%	4.9%

Data Source: 2018 National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS)

WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW

Upcoming Events

March

- **18-22** Spring Break
- **25-27** Cheerleader Tryouts
- **25** Library Donation Drive Begins
- **26-29** Six Weeks Testing
- **26** Track Parent Meeting 6PM
- **27** Tennis vs Murchison @ Bowie HS
- **27** Bush's Chicken Night 5-8 PTA
- **28** Track Meet vs Murchison @ Murchison
- **29** End of fifth 6-Weeks
- **30-31** Bailey Plant Sale

April

- **1** Library Donation Drive Ends
- **5** Fun Friday - Super Hero Spirit Day
- **16** Bailey's Got Talent - Talent Show 6:30PM
- **22** Vaping/JUULING Parent Education Night 6:30PM

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.

Click here for the [Bailey PTA Facebook Page](#)

Click here for the [Athletics Booster Facebook Page](#)

Visit our website: www.baileybears.org