



# First Class Day Monday, August 23, 2010

**BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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## Two New Secondary Schools



**VETERANS MEMORIAL  
HIGH SCHOOL**  
4550 U.S. Military Hwy 281  
Principal: Acacia Ameel  
(956) 574-5600



**EDWARD MANZANO, JR.  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
2580 W. Alton Gloor  
Principal: Norma J. Torres  
(956) 548-9800

## Be On Time for School...

**High Schools**  
8:50 AM-4:00 PM

**Middle Schools**  
7:40 AM-2:50 PM



**Elementary Schools**  
8:15 AM-3:15 PM

## Elementary School Supply List

The following is a list of suggested supplies for elementary students for the 2010-2011 school year. Some teachers may omit or add items to the list below. For that reason, parents may wish to wait until the first class day, Monday, August 23, 2010, before purchasing specific supplies.

### PREKINDERGARTEN

- 1 box of 8 jumbo crayons
- 1 pair of plastic scissors (Saf-T-Cut)
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.)
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues
- 1 box of Ziploc plastic bags
- 1 change of clothes

### KINDERGARTEN

- 2 writing tablets (pencil tablet, manuscript writing)
- 2 jumbo pencils
- 3 regular pencils (#2)
- 1 box jumbo crayons
- 1 box regular crayons
- 1 pair of plastic scissors (Saf-T-Cut, Fiskars, or blunt edge)
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.) or glue sticks
- 2 pocket folders
- 1 zipper bag or school box (plastic)
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues

### FIRST GRADE

- 2 writing tablets (pencil tablet, manuscript writing)
- 7 pencils (#2)
- 1 box of 16 crayons
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.) or glue sticks
- 1 ruler
- 1 pair of scissors (Saf-T-Cut, Fiskars, or blunt edge)
- 2 pocket folders
- 1 zipper bag
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues

### SECOND GRADE

- 1 package of loose leaf paper (wide-rule)
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues
- 1 package of pencils (#2)
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.) or glue sticks
- 1 ruler (12" wooden)
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 3 pocket folders with brads
- 1 pair of scissors (Saf-T-Cut, Fiskars, or blunt edge)
- 1 zipper bag or school box

### THIRD GRADE

- 1 package of loose leaf paper (wide-rule)
- 10 pencils (#2)
- 1 set of colored pencils
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.) or glue sticks
- 1 ruler (12" any type)
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 eraser
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 3 pocket folders
- 1 zipper bag or school box
- 1-2 ballpoint pens

### FOURTH & FIFTH GRADES

- 1 package of loose leaf paper (wide-rule)
- 2 pencils (#2)
- 2 ball point pens (1 blue or black, 1 red)
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 set of colored pencils
- 1 ruler (one side inches, other side metric)
- 1 protractor (5th grade only)
- 1 bottle of Elmer's glue (8 oz.) or glue sticks
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 7 pocket folders
- 1 zipper bag or school box
- 1 pack of notebook dividers
- 1 box of Kleenex tissues
- 1 3-ring binder

Brand names have been used to describe items. Comparable brands are also acceptable. Since many of the supplies are consumable, it may be necessary to replace some items during the school year. Please write your child's name on everything.

Middle and high school students will receive notification of needed supplies, if any, during the first week of classes.

## Immunization Requirements for 2010-11

All students must be immunized against certain diseases or must present a certificate indicating that, for medical or religious reasons, the student should not be immunized. State law now requires all students entering kindergarten to have two doses of varicella, two doses of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) and two doses of hepatitis A. All seventh grade students must receive two doses of varicella, one dose of meningococcal, and one booster of a tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis vaccine.

It is recommended that all immunization requirements be completed by Friday, August 13, 2010, and cleared by the school nurse in order to protect the health of our students and to avoid lost instructional time.

School nurses will no longer provide tuberculosis testing to students. All students who are new to the district must complete a TB questionnaire, and show proof of a previous TB test before they will be allowed to enroll in school.

For more information, contact your personal family physician, the school nurse, or BISD Health Services at 548-8191.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## August

12-13 .... New Teacher Inservice  
 16-17 ..... Staff Development Days (Campus)  
 18 ..... Staff Development Day (District)  
 19-20 ..... Teacher Preparation Days  
 23 ..... First Class Day  
 26 ..... Summer Graduation

## September

6 ..... Labor Day Holiday  
 11 ..... Patriot Day  
 12 ..... Grandparents' Day  
 Sept. 15-October 15  
 ..... Hispanic Heritage Month  
 16 ..... BISD University Day  
 18 ..... FIT/Wellness Kick-Off Rally



# BROWNSVILLE

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### 2010-2011 Instructional Calendar

AUGUST 2010							SEPTEMBER 2010							OCTOBER 2010							NOVEMBER 2010							
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APRIL 2011							MAY 2011							JUNE 2011							JULY 2011						
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#### Teacher Preparation Days

August 19 - 20 • January 17 • June 3

#### Campus Staff Development Days

August 16 - 17

#### Holidays and Vacations

Labor Day .....September 6  
 Thanksgiving.....November 24-26  
 Christmas .....Dec. 20-31  
 Charro Days .....February 25  
 Spring Break ..... March 14-18  
 Easter.....April 22, 25  
 Memorial Day .....May 30  
 Independence Day.....July 4

#### New Teacher Inservice Days

August 12 - 13  
 January 8 - 15

#### District Staff Development Day

August 18

#### Early Dismissal Day

February 24

#### Make-Up Days

February 25 • May 30

#### Six Weeks Grading Periods

Period	Total Days	Last Day
1st 6 Wks.	29 Days	October 1
2nd 6 Wks.	30 Days	November 12
3rd 6 Wks.	32 Days	January 14
<b>1st Semester</b>	<b>91 Days</b>	<b>January 14</b>
4th 6 Wks.	33 Days	March 4
5th 6 Wks.	29 Days	April 21
6th 6 Wks.	27 Days	June 2
<b>2nd Semester</b>	<b>89 Days</b>	<b>June 2</b>
<b>TOTAL 180 Instructional Days</b>		

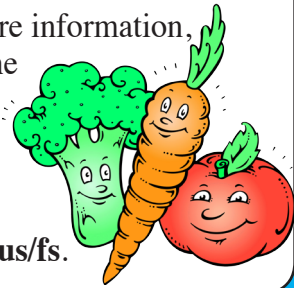
BISD does not discriminate on basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or provision of services, programs or activities.

## Tasty Nutrition

All students are welcome to participate in the district's school breakfast and lunch programs, free of charge, through the Special Assistance Provision 2 Program.

BISD Food and Nutrition Services staff carefully analyze menus to ensure that 1/4 of the Recommended Dietary Allowances (RDAs) are met for breakfast and 1/3 for lunch. Students can expect a menu that is balanced, healthy and offers a variety of foods for differing tastes. An assortment of salads as well as fresh fruit and whole grains are a few of the options for health conscious students.

For more information, log on to the Food and Nutrition Services website at [www.bisd.us/fs](http://www.bisd.us/fs).



## Transportation Information

Letters regarding school bus stops and bus assignments will be mailed to the homes of eligible students on **August 11-13, 2010**. If your address has changed or you do not receive a notice, contact your child's school. The BISD Transportation Department will set up a telephone hotline to answer questions on **August 19 & 20, 2010 from 7:00 AM-6:00 PM**. Call **698-2925** or **698-2356** to speak to a representative.



## view Grades Online

Parents are invited to use the district's GradeSpeed Program to access grades online.

Grades for students, elementary and secondary, are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by logging on to [www.bisd.us](http://www.bisd.us).

Simply contact a BISD campus to set up a GradeSpeed account or to obtain more information.

## Know the Rules

Each BISD student will receive a 2010-2011 Student Code of Conduct/Student-Parent Handbook. This booklet, available in English and Spanish, explains the standards for student conduct and provides general information about school attendance, enrollment requirements, lunch hours, textbooks, weather emergencies, field trips, career pathways, homework, requirements for graduation, etc. Students and their parents/guardians are required to sign an acknowledgment form which verifies receipt of this publication. Receipt forms are kept on file by the campuses. Everyone is encouraged to read the handbook thoroughly in order to better understand district expectations. The 2010-2011 BISD Student Code of Conduct/Student-Parent Handbook is also available online at [www.bisd.us](http://www.bisd.us).