

First Class Day Monday, August 23, 2010



BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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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
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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.

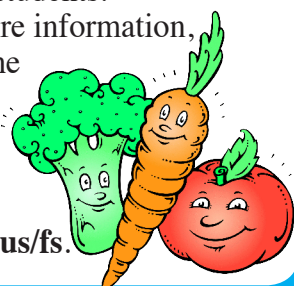


Tasty Nutrition

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.



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.

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

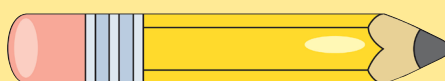
THIRD GRADE

- 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.

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

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



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.