Start of School Information for STEAM Middle School

August 3, 2020



BISD First Week - Middle School

- August 31st is the first week of school
- If you chose Virtual Learning, your whole week will be virtual learning
- If you chose On-Campus, you will have a mix of Virtual and On-campus days, with full On-Campus learning beginning September 8th
 - This allows us to bring small groups of students in and practice protocols and procedures
 - More information on the Virtual schedules during these days will be coming
 - More information on providing Chromebooks for those who don't have them will be coming
 - Normal start and end times will take place on the days of On-campus
 - Normal busses will take place on the days of On-campus
 - Note: This is a normal school day, and the new policies and procedures for visitors, etc. will be followed



Middle School Schedule for BISD First Week

- Knowing that 6th grade may need more support with protocols and procedures, they are being asked to attend in person more frequently the week of August 31st.
- The schedule for On-Campus is as follows:
 - 6th Grade
 - On -campus Monday, Thursday
 - Virtual Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
 - 7th Grade
 - On- campus Tuesday
 - Virtual Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 - 8th Grade
 - On campus Wednesday
 - Virtual Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday



Meet the Teacher-All Grades

Individual Teacher Bitmoji Classrooms with Introduction Videos

- Posted to campus webpage & social media in a document with links on August 27th
- Each teacher's presentation will include:
 - Teacher Information
 - Classroom Expectations
 - Class/Course Needs



STEAM Camp-Incoming 6th Graders

Virtual STEAM (6th grade) Camp presentation will be distributed on August 27th

- Posted to campus webpage & social media in an easy to navigate document
- 6th Grade Specifics
- General Campus Information
- Teacher Information
- FAQs

Students new to STEAM in 7th & 8th Grades will be contacted by the STEAM Ambassadors program prior to the start of school with a Welcome Presentation.



Arrival

- Student Entrances (Walkers & Drop-Offs)
 - Walkers/bike riders enter through the drop off line in the back of the school.
 - Drop-Offs only in the back of the campus
 - Enter through the back doors
 - Doors open at 7:50 am. Students filter into the cafeteria for breakfast and move directly to 1st period classrooms after eating.
 - Prior to 7:50, students are encouraged to socially distance while waiting for the campus to open.
- Bus Riders
 - Bus Riders enter through Bus Entrance on the west side of building
 - Students go directly to 1st period class after eating breakfast
- Breakfast
 - Students eat breakfast immediately upon entry and move to 1st period class after the bell
 - Students will be spread out to ensure social distancing





Late Arrivals

- All students enter through main entrance at the front of the campus
- Students will sign in with the front office and go directly to class .



Dismissal

- All exits available to expedite students exiting the building
- Staggered release
 - 3:40 Walkers- must immediately exit the campus
 - 3:43 Car Riders dismissed
 - 3:45 Bus riders are held in 7th period classrooms until their bus arrives.
 Bus numbers will be announced over the PA system.
 - All staff will monitor halls to encourage students to exit building immediately to minimize loitering



Lunch

- 3 students per table
- Tables will be spread out to fill all available space to allow for maximum distancing
- Breakfast: Grab and go style meals
- Lunch: students will pre-order meals in 2nd period. Meals are delivered to classrooms rooms. Students move to the cafeteria and go straight to their seats, unless they arrived after 2nd period and go through the lunch line to purchase a meal.
- Potential for groups of students to eat in classroom on a rotating basis to ensure social distancing
- Students wear masks until they begin eating mask once eating is complete
- Staff patrol and monitor to ensure distancing and masking
- Table in front vestibule for parents to drop off student lunches, write name on bag



Movement in the Building

Passing periods and transitions

- Staff stationed to ensure correct flow of students
- Students walk on the right side of each hallway with classrooms, crossing over when at the classroom
- Students not permitted to loiter in hallways or common areas-move directly to next class
- Communication and signage reminding staff NO Loitering between classes





Restroom Protocols

- Occupancy limited during pass periods- staff assist in regulating number of students
- Student reminders to wash hands signs to reinforce
- Hand sanitizer available upon return to classroom



School Supplies and Dress Code

Supplies

- Pen or pencil
- Notebook paper
- 3-ring binder with 7 dividers
- Chromebook (Fully Charged Daily)
- Chromebook Charger
- Headphones/earbuds

Dress Code

• Uniform requirement waived for the 2020-2021 school year. Students should adhere to dress code in the student handbook.



Fine Arts Programs/Athletics

Fine Arts

- Sponsor/Coach will give details on protocols and guidelines
- Sponsor/Coach will share information regarding supplies for the course.

Athletics

• Sponsor/Coach will give details on protocols and guidelines for participation



Clubs, etc.

Offered before or after school

- Any in person meetings will be in larger areas and will maintain social distancing protocols. All meetings will require admin approval.
- Flyers for meetings, recruitment or elections posted in school and shared digitally on website and social media.



Please know that COVID - 19 is a fluid situation and guidelines and procedures may change as the guidelines and requirements are updated. Our campus will be following all CDC and TEA guidelines. Those guidelines are attached here: **CDC Guidelines TEA Public Health Guidelines**

