

BALDWIN NEWSLETTER

MARCH 1, 2026



HEY BOBCATS!

Spring is officially in the air, and there is so much to celebrate this month! It's been absolutely heart-warming to watch our students lift each other up and grow, both in their learning and their friendships. Their energy is truly contagious! Spring Break is just around the corner and we hope it is filled with fun and family time.

Important Updates & Reminders

- 2026-2027 Planning: Believe it or not, we're already looking ahead! If you'd like to share your thoughts, optional parent input forms for class placements are now available for pick-up in the front office and they are due March 14th.
- Counseling Corner: Don't forget to peek at the Counseling Corner! There is an opt-out form available there, please ensure it is submitted by March 22.

Thank you for being such an incredible part of our school community. We truly value your partnership!

Jamie Eubanks and Julie Ozuna

IMPORTANT DATES

- 🐾 APEX Campus Fundraiser - kickoff pep rally on March 2, Fun Run on March 12
- 🐾 Kona Ice - March 3
- 🐾 Campus Tour for students new to Baldwin - March 4 @ 4:00 pm
- 🐾 Keep Austin Beautiful 4th Grade - March 5 & 6
- 🐾 **APEX Blue & Orange Day - March 6**
- 🐾 Campus Advisory Council Meeting - March 9
- 🐾 Spirit Night at Craigo's - March 12
- 🐾 Pre-K Vision & Hearing Screening - March 11
- 🐾 Spring Break! March 16 - 20
- 🐾 4th grade field trip to Texas State Cemetery & Bob Bullock Museum - March 23
- 🐾 Pride Week March 23-27
- 🐾 Kinder Petting Zoo - March 23
- 🐾 Spirit Night at Wendy's - March 24
- 🐾 5th grade Field Trip to Natural Bridge Caverns - March 26
- 🐾 PTA Talent Show - March 27 @ 5:30 pm
- 🐾 Student & Staff Holiday - March 31



APEX is here!

Fun Run: March 12

7:45 - 8:30 ~ PK

8:30 - 9:15 ~ K

9:15 - 10:00 ~ 4th Grade

10:00 - 10:45 ~ 5th Grade

10:45 - 11:30 ~ 1st Grade

11:30 - 12:15 ~ 3rd Grade

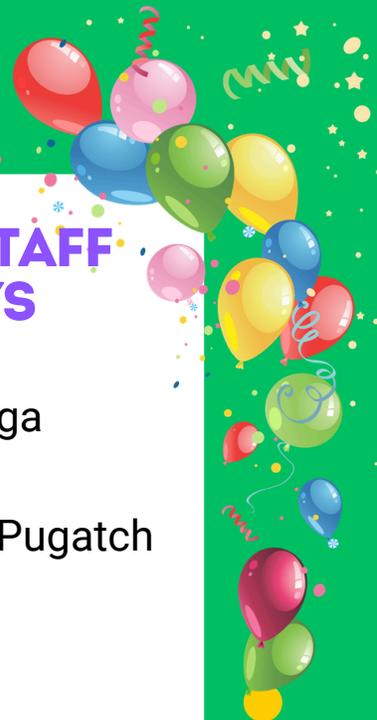
12:15 - 1:00 ~ 2nd



TEACHER & STAFF BIRTHDAYS

March 4 - Angie Vega

March 25 - Patricia Pugatch





Calling all Gifted & Talented and Talent Explore Students!

Share your outstanding work in the upcoming 2026 "Better Together" GT Showcase!

A few important reminders:

- You may work individually, with a partner, or in a small group.
- Your submission should reflect the theme "Better Together."
- Your submission should reflect an advanced level of thinking and understanding.
- All language, images, illustrations, and graphics must be "school appropriate."
- Your submission should be 1 digital file. Make sure the viewer settings are set to "anyone with the link" can open.

Submit your work [here](#).



Share **your take** on how we are "Better Together!"

Take a look at the 2026 Showcase Vision Board for *inspiration*. Use this as a springboard! These topics are starting points, not limits. If your idea fits the theme, you're on the right track.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE GT SHOWCASE?

Email Kelley.Hively@austinisd.org

or

Kaitlyn.Pruet@austinisd.org



CALLING ALL GIFTED & TALENTED AND TALENT EXPLORE STUDENTS!

Due Date: April 10

HUMANITIES

- Short story, poem, or memoir showing multiple perspectives
- Children's book focused on cooperation or teamwork
- Speech or essay about collaboration in real life
- Biographical study of a group or partnership
- Historical case study showing collective action
- Community service project with a written reflection

STEM

- Scientific model or diagram of a system with explanations
- Experiment showing how variables affect each other
- Data collection and analysis project
- Engineering prototype or structure
- City, bridge, or infrastructure design
- App, game, website, or robotics project

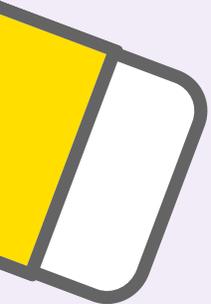
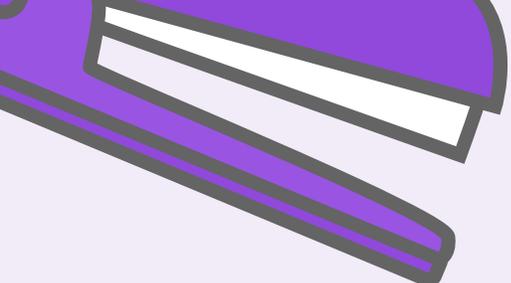
CREATIVITY

- Original artwork with an artist's statement
- Musical composition or song
- Script, short film, or dramatic scene
- Costume, prop, or set design
- Game, puzzle, or interactive creation
- Creative project using nontraditional or household materials

THINK ABOUT...

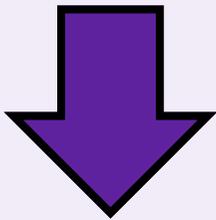
- How do people work together to shape ideas, communities, or history?
- How do systems function through the interaction of multiple parts?
- How can combining ideas, materials, or talents create something stronger?
- How are we "Better Together?"

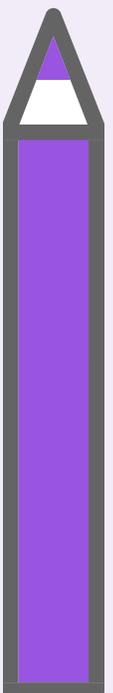




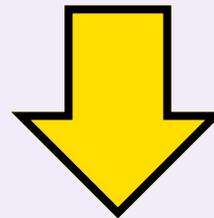
REGISTRATION FOR 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR IS OPEN NOW!!

New to Austin ISD

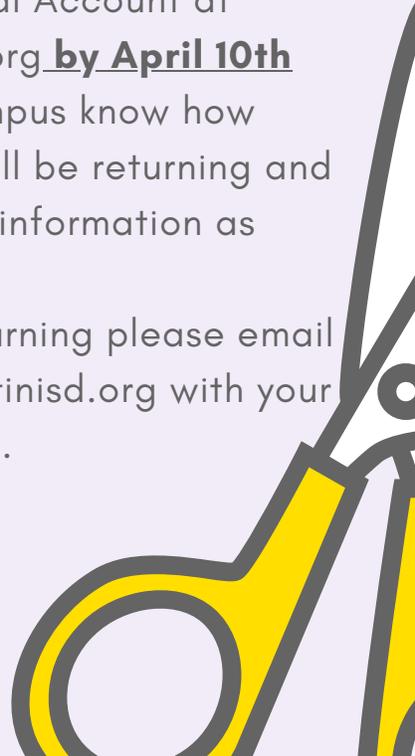
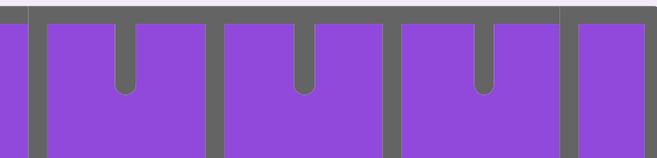


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1. Submit an application in Enroll Austin starting February 16, 2026.
 2. Fill out the Intent to Enroll Forms followed by the Annual forms through [Enroll Austin Website](#).
 3. Securely upload your child's birth certificate, vaccine record, parent ID, and Proof of address (electric, gas, water bill, or lease) in the Annual Forms then hit Submit.
 4. Call the Baldwin front office at 512-841-8900 to confirm enrollment is complete.

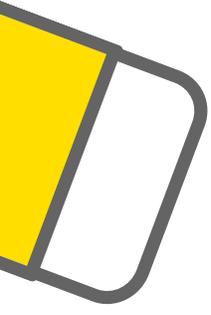
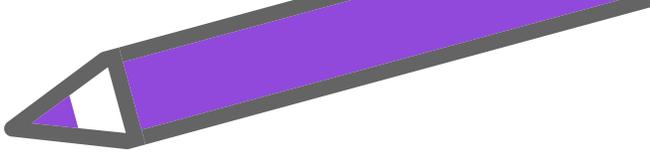
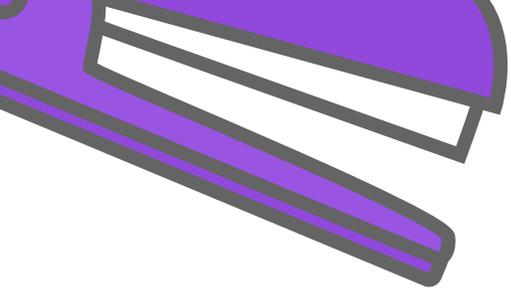
Returning Bobcats



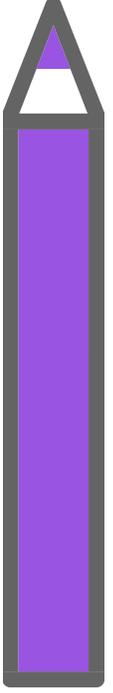
1. Students currently enrolled will need to complete the Intent to Enroll Forms and Annual Forms through their Enroll Austin tile in their Parent Portal Account at portal.austinisd.org **by April 10th**
2. This lets our campus know how many students will be returning and gives us staffing information as well.
3. Students not returning please email alicia.cruz2@austinisd.org with your new school plans.



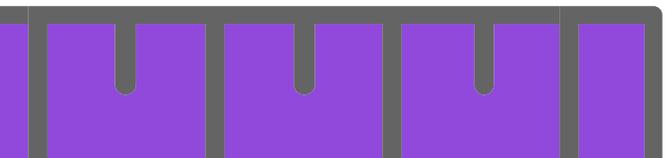
Need help? Go to
www.austinisd.org/aisdhelp



Registration is CRITICAL to Baldwin Fall Staffing 2026-2027 enrollment is officially open and we ask that EVERYONE take a few minutes this week to log in to your Parent Portal and complete enrollment (including uploading your annual registration forms). Even if you are leaving Austin ISD, please log in and select that option on the enrollment site.



Our goal is 100% of ALL families enrolled by April 1st. Baldwin is currently at 35%. Please help us reach that finish line early! Your support helps us ensure our Bobcats get the best possible experience next year. Thank you!!



THANK YOU!

COUNSELING CORNER

In March, students are learning about helpful ways to manage their anxiety and stress. During classroom guidance lessons, we will be learning about what stress and anxiety can feel like in our bodies, and learn about different coping strategies we can utilize if we do feel stressed or anxious.

Students will also be getting a lesson on body boundaries and respect. This lesson in particular helps students develop self-advocacy skills regarding personal and body boundaries.

More details on the lessons can be found here:

[PK-1st](#)

[2nd-3rd](#)

[4th-5th](#)

If you would like to opt-out your child from the lessons on body boundaries, please fill out this form by March 22, 2026:

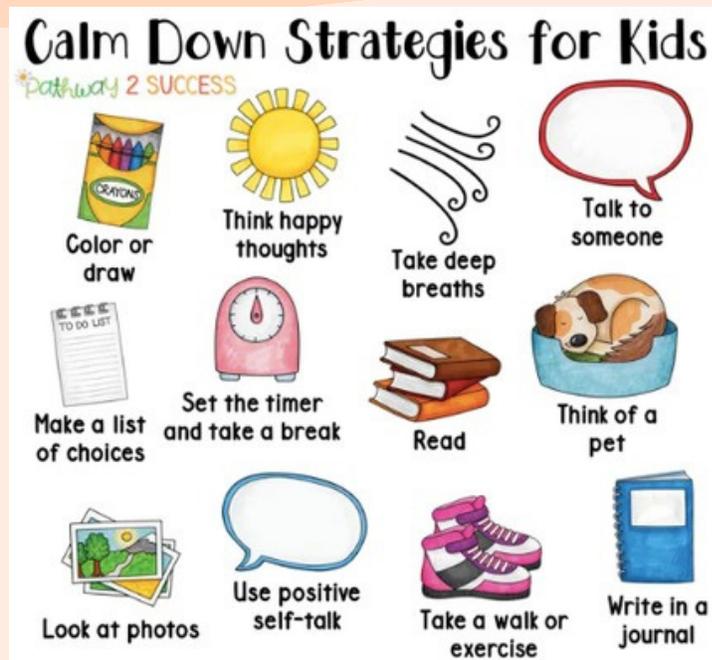
[Body Boundary Opt-Out](#)

How To Support at Home:

- **“Name It to Tame It”:** Help identify the emotion your child is feeling and validate the emotion.
- Practice coping skills when your child is regulated so they can utilize them when they are unregulated. This could include deep breaths, taking a movement break, or going outside.
- Model coping strategies as the adult when you’re feeling various emotions.

Contact Info:

Email: kaitlyn.pruet@austinisd.org
 Phone: 512-841-8900, ext. 72673
[Baldwin Counseling Website](#)



BALDWIN ELEMENTARY CAREER FAIR

(3RD - 5TH GRADE)

Volunteers needed for our Career Fair taking
place on May 7th, 2026!



All jobs, careers, and industries welcome!

Description



Volunteers will briefly share what they do for their jobs to help students explore different careers.



Audience

3rd - 5th graders



Time

08.00 AM - 10.30 AM



Location

Baldwin Elementary School



Scan the QR code
to sign up

OR

visit this link:

[https://forms.gle/
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W9](https://forms.gle/GjTgCYsLrqtI2SYW9)

SPIRIT

NIGHT @ CraigO's!

4970 W HWY 290, AUSTIN, TX 78735

THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH

4:00 PM – 9:00PM

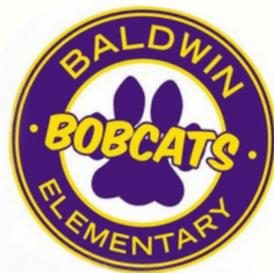
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Celebrate your child's birthday with a Bobcat Birthday Book!

Consider donating a book to the Baldwin Library to celebrate your child's special day. All donations help fund book purchases and author visits. Your donation makes a BIG difference! After donating, your child will be invited to choose a book from our special birthday bookshelf. We will add a commemorative bookplate inside the cover, and your child will have the opportunity to check the book out first.

Summer birthdays will be celebrated on their half-birthdays.

To donate a birthday book, please visit the library website at <https://tinyurl.com/4cc64puv> or scan this QR code and choose "library".



***Thank you so much for supporting the
Baldwin Library!***

Thank you



Thank you to
the Penumetcha Family
for being the
February Golden
Spoon Lunch Sponsor!

Baldwin needs



City of Austin is hiring
Crossing Guards for Baldwin

For more info, visit
<https://tinyurl.com/mw65hpaw>



KINDER CAMP!



How to register:

- Complete google form: <https://forms.gle/E7xBvEJwaX72qpja6>
- Venmo @millskyra within 24 hours of registering
- you will receive a confirmation email once google form and payment is received.

Cost: \$120 per
child!

July 27th-30th

9am-11am

EXTENDED
DEADLINE TO
REGISTER IS JULY
20TH!

What to expect:

- Explore a new part of the building each day
- participate in crafts
- meet new kinder friends
- getting excited and ready for the first day!

For any questions email
kyra.mills@austinisd.org
Space is limited.

