



GORZYCKI MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming at GMS

[Click here to see the complete GMS website calendar for more events and details!](#)

MONDAY, MAY 15 (A DAY)

**National Police Week*

Beginning Band Rehearsal
4-6:00 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 16 (B DAY)

***CTE Final Exams for 7th & 8th Grade HS Credit*

Spring Band Concert
7-9:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 (A Day)

***CTE Final Exams for 7th & 8th Grade HS Credit*

Orchestra Carnegie Hall Rehearsal
7-8:00 PM

6th Grade EOY Field Trip and Ice Cream Social
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Guest Speaker for A. Sindt's Class
1:40 - 2:15 PM

Glee Rehearsal for GMS Spring Choir Concert
6-6:30 PM

GMS Spring Choir Concert
7-8:00 PM

Crochet Club
4-5:00 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 18 (B DAY)

GMS Choir Spring Field Trip
8:40 AM - 1:45 PM

Life Skills Field Trip
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Thespian Induction & Awards Ceremony
6-8:00 PM

Collaborative Edge Youth
4-5:00 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 19 (C DAY)

Orchestra Carnegie Hall Rehearsal
7-8:00 AM

8th Grade EOY Field Trip Celebration
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Orchestra EOY Banquet
6-8:00 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 20

SUNDAY, MAY 21

MONDAY, MAY 22 (A DAY)

Yearbook Distribution
1:50 - 3:00 PM

7th & 8th Band Practice Party
4:30-6:30 PM

NYC Trip Meeting
5:30-6:00 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 23 (B DAY)

Glow Dance Party (grades 6-8)
3:05-4:30 PM

Reward Party for Beginning Band
4-6:00 PM

GMS Cheer Banquet
6-8:00 PM

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THANK YOU TORCHY'S



A big Thank you! to Torchy's Tacos for donating Chips and Queso for our teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you for supporting our teachers and partnering with Gorzycki to support our students and community!

EOY GLOW DANCE PARTY

After searching through a very packed school calendar, the End of Year Glow Dance Party has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, May 23 (3–4:30pm)**. The Dance will occur during 8th period and extend after school until 4:30pm.

- Open to 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Gorzycki students
- Dress code is Casual Neon.

Wristbands will be picked up by students during lunch on Wednesday May 23. If you have already purchased a wrist band then your kiddos name will still be on the list.

- Sign up to Help Out: [link to the Sign Up Genius](#).
- Tickets are on sale through [School Cash](#) for \$15 today through **May 23**. *No tickets will be sold at the door.* Tickets will be sold for cash during lunch on Tuesday May 23.
 - Tickets includes a water bottle, pizza rolls and a cookie.
 - Additional concessions including glow in the dark wear available at event for cash purchase (\$1- \$2 each).

EOY 8TH GRADE SLIDESHOW

Each year on the last day of school, the 8th graders enjoy a slideshow with pictures of their middle school years. Please use this form to add photos of your child's experiences while they were here at GMS. These pics can be from 6th, 7th and 8th. They can be individual or group photos. You can include photos from events that occurred through the years, like theatre, athletics, field trips, dances, quiz bowl, Zoom class, etc. You can also create your own "dedication photo" to upload as seen in the example below - you may include photos from when they were younger in the dedication photo, but for all others please only send photos from their 6th/7th/8th grade years.

- If you submit group photos, please **ask permission** from those in the group photo to include them.
- Make sure everyone in the pic is in **school dress code**. No swimsuit photos. No shirtless photos. THANKS!
- Fill out

form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEJK_d61vMHPt58OA8qZRUJ9Q85iVu34W_Nd0ZRmflerAuFw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

CHROMEBOOK COLLECTION

ALL students will be required to turn in any AISD-issued Chromebook, charger, and hotspot to their campus at the end of this school year. This does not affect special education-specific devices that are checked out through that department. These devices will have a sticker indicating it belongs to SpEd.

- ALL devices will be disabled as of Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 5 pm.
- Device collection for Gorzycki Middle School will take place during all students' science classes on **Wednesday, May 24, 2023.**

More details are available here: <https://gorzycki.austinschools.org/announcements/gorzycki-chromebook-collection>

LOST & FOUND

Students, please check the lost and found by the gym, it's overflowing with lost items. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity, **Monday, May 22nd.**

FALL REGISTRATION

IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR PROJECTED STAFF, ONLINE REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED for All NEW & RETURNING GMS STUDENTS for the 2023-2024 School Year. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED EACH YEAR FOR EXISTING & NEW STUDENTS.

Students will not be enrolled in courses until registration is complete.

Please log into your Parent Portal and locate the Registration tile, <http://www.portal.austinisd.org>

If your family plans on moving, not returning to Gorzycki or any school within AISD next year, please email Iris Gamino at iris.gamino2@austinisd.org.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Attention all incoming 7th and 8th graders! Cross Country is a fall sport offered to all 7th and 8th grade boys and girls. There are no cuts! Everyone gets to run. Training will be before school, and the season starts the first week of school and ends around the beginning of October. The race distance is 2 miles. If you want to be on the GMS Cross Country Team or would like more information, please fill out the following form. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Sindt at sean.sindt@austinisd.org

<https://forms.gle/hY2A5ddfbmjunUUq5>

8TH GRADE END OF YEAR FIELD TRIP

All 8th grade students have the opportunity to participate in an end of year incentive field trip to Urban Air.

- 8th-Grade: **Friday, May 19.** (9:00am - 2:00pm) \$40

The price of the field trip helps to cover the cost of transportation, renting out Urban Air, unlimited play of all of the activities at Urban Air for four hours, lunch and snacks at Urban Air, and an ice cream party on the last day of school.

A cashonline email will go out on May 1 with a link for payment. There are scholarships available for anyone who needs one. If you would like to donate any amount to our scholarship fund so that all students can attend, it would be greatly appreciated. Funds may be donated at the time that you pay for your student on cashonline in May.

Your student received a paper waiver from Urban Air in their EXCEL class.

We will need chaperones at Urban Air to ensure that the students are only entering the bathroom one at a time. You can sign up with a friend, or bring a book, grab a chair, and sit outside of the bathrooms for two hours. We want to make sure that we are always invited back. Thank you for your consideration and time. **You can volunteer on the google form that will be sent out on May 1.**

7TH GRADE VACCINE REQUIREMENT

7th GRADE VACCINE REQUIREMENT REMINDER

Please continue sending in vaccine records for your rising 7th graders prior to the first day of school next year. As a reminder, all 7th graders are required to have a MCV and Tdap vaccine administered on or after their 11th birthday. Please see the attached document regarding this requirement and contact the school nurse with questions: jessica.bram@austinisd.org or 512-841-8620.

- [Choice Sheet Immunization Request.doc](#)

END OF YEAR MEDICATION PICK UP

NEW INFO FROM THE GORZYCKI HEALTH ROOM REGARDING END OF YEAR MEDICATION PICK UP

If your child has medication in the health room at school, please complete the attached document regarding how you want the medication returned. **NEW this year - All controlled substances must be picked up by a parent and cannot be sent home with the student.** For all other medications, please indicate below how you would like the medication returned by the last day of school and **return the attached form to the health room by 5/22/2023.** You may email the form to jessica.bram@austinisd.org or send it in with your student to the health room or front office.

- [End of Year Medication Disposition Letter.doc](#)

PHYSICALS

Physicals for next school year will be passed out during P.E./Athletics classes on Friday (4/21). If a student is not in a P.E./Athletics class (or has a physical scheduled before Friday), please have them come by the gym to get a packet. Physicals are required for the following:

- Anyone trying out for a school sport next year
- Any student taking Strength and Conditioning class
- Dance teams (Tiger Drill, Tiger Dancers, Tigerettes)
- Cheerleaders
- Bowie Summer Performance Course (only current 6th graders and anyone who did not turn in a physical for this school year. Current 7th and 8th graders who turned in a physical this year do not need a new one for summer activities)

Any physical dated before April 15th, 2023, will not be accepted for next school year. The physical must be completed on the 2023-2024 AISD form, not on a physical form provided by the doctor. We cannot accept any emailed physicals or copies of the physical. It must be the original. I recommend making a copy for your own records. In addition to the physical being handed in, there are also two online forms (available May 1) that must be completed before your student is eligible to participate.

- Updated 2023-24 Physical Form: <https://www.austinisd.org/athletics/forms>
- 2 Required Online Forms: <https://austinisd.rankonesport.com/>

Once your child gets their physical, please have them hand it in directly to their grade level coach for next year. Please do not turn the physical into the front office. Only a coach can collect a physical.

- Current 6th grade girls - Coach Moreno
- Current 7th grade girls - Coach Kehoe
- Current 6th grade boys - Coach Fourmy
- Current 7th grade boys - Coach Neary

AISD will also provide an opportunity for a free physical. We still have not received that information, but if you are interested or have any other questions, please contact Coach Neary - eamonn.neary@austinisd.org

NEW SCHEDULE 2023-24

[Here](#) is the draft schedule for the 2023-2024 school year. The new schedule will be a straight 8 with extra time given to 6th period for EXCEL. This allows for shorter classes which will address the amount of time students are not engaged in learning and still allow for students to have all 4 electives. Please read the complete letter:

- [23-24 GMS New Schedule.pdf](#)

SUMMER CAMPS

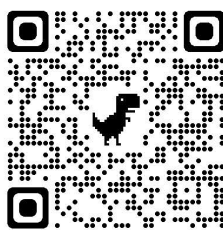
BOWIE RUNNING CAMP

Come have fun
this summer with
the Bowie High
School Cross
Country:

Running Camp

7th-12th Graders

www.bowiexc.com



Dates: June 5th-29th and July
10th-August 4th

This is a camp to encourage runners to build up their confidence and endurance. August 1st will be the first official day of the High School Cross Country season.

Where and How Long? We will meet on the first day for check-in by the Bowie Track, you will see our tent. Camp will go from 7am-8:30am each day. After the first week, we will move camp to the Circle C Fields to utilize the trail there as well as surrounding neighborhoods.

What To Bring? Everyday bring: a water bottle, a towel/Yoga Mat, and sunscreen. On the 8th, bring an extra set of clothes to get changed after water games!

What is included? A camp shirt, snacks, gatorade/chocolate milk, friends and fun!

Coach Tilson:
lora.tilson@austinisd.org

ACC FREE SUMMER CAMPS

The AISD CTE department is excited to announce that we are providing our AISD Middle School Students with the opportunity to attend a FREE all day (Monday thru Friday) summer camp during June 2023, sponsored by Austin Community College. Registration is on a first come, first served basis, so we encourage all to register now while space is still available: [Register HERE](#)

- [English Flyer/QR Code](#)
- [Spanish Flyer/QR Code](#)

Students may choose 1, 2, or all 3 camps:

1. **Health Sciences - June 12 - 16, 2023, at ACC Eastview Campus**, located at 3401 Webberview Road, Austin, TX
2. **Advanced Manufacturing - June 20 - 23, 2023, at ACC Highland Campus**, located at 6101 Highland Campus Dr, Austin, TX (*note: 6/19 is a holiday - camp will be closed on this day)
3. **Information Technology - June 26 - 30, 2023, at ACC Highland Campus**, located at 6101 Highland Campus Dr, Austin, TX

BOWIE GIRLS BASKETBALL SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp Middle School Details

- Parents can [pay and register using this link](#), but if they'd like to [register and pay at a later date, here is the registration link](#)

Incoming Freshman Summer Details

- [Fill this form out to be added to the incoming freshman contact list](#)) and through our Instagram @BowieWBB

Questions? Please email iesha.collins@austinisd.org

BOWIE STRENGTH & CONDITIONING SUMMER CAMP

Performance Course visited with Bowie feeder Middle School Athletics earlier this week about an upcoming opportunity for athletic development that will be taking place this summer! This program was developed by Performance Course to offer athletes the opportunity to develop both physically and mentally.

PC takes a goal-oriented approach to develop speed, agility, mobility, functional strength and power. Performance nutrition, character development, mental preparation and goal setting techniques are also included in the curriculum to develop the whole athlete!

The session starts June 5th, and will run Monday-Thursday from 8am to 1pm, depending on which session your son or daughter signs up for.

We want to ensure all athletes have the opportunity to participate. To receive more information from Performance Course, please fill out this link:

<https://info.performancecourse.com> and select "Summer" and "Bowie". This will ensure you receive information about the summer but does not enroll your child!

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AT:

<https://www.performancecourse.com/school-district/austin-isd>

If you have any questions or need help with registration, please contact the Bowie Performance Course Director, Mac Acuna (macuna@performancecourse.com) and he will be glad to assist you.

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION

BOWIE TRANSITION FOR 8TH GRADERS

Please view the attached links for details about transitioning to Bowie:

- [Bowie Showcase Flyer](#)
- [Bowie Showcase General Presentation](#)
- [Bowie Incoming 9th Grade Website](#)

CHOICE SHEETS

- **8th Grade:** Choice Sheets were due on Feb. 10. The choice sheet confirmation email was sent to the STUDENT email address. Please ask your child to show you their Choice Sheet confirmation. Current 8th graders can request a change by emailing their high school counselor until **May 19th**.

VOLUNTEER

GMS ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

Interested in learning more about GMS Athletic Booster Club? Looking to volunteer? The GMS Athletic Booster Club Board is in need of new board members and would love for you to be part of the team. We have various positions available, and there will also be many other opportunities to volunteer if you don't think being on the board works for you. The Athletic Booster club raises money for the additional coaching stipends AISD does not provide. This money is used exclusively for the benefit of our athletes. Please reach out to Christi Leber @ c_cuccia@yahoo.com to inquire or volunteer.

DONATE

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Download the Box Tops for Education app and start scanning your receipts! Every little bit counts and adds up quickly for GMS. How do box tops raise money for your school, click [here](#) to read more. GMS contact: fundraising@tigerpta.org

STAY CONNECTED

SCHOOL CLUBS

Check out all the student clubs meeting during and after school: <https://gorzycki.austinschools.org/students/clubs>

PROCESSES & PROCEDURES

QUICK GUIDE FOR PARENTS

The Quick Guide includes processes for: arrival and dismissal, reporting absences, dropping off items, and medications on campus.

- [Quick Guide for Parents.pdf](#)

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Arrival: The building is open from 7:50 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The **Tardy Bell rings at 8:20**. Upon arrival, 6th grade students will report to the cafeteria. 7/8th grade students will report to the Commons. Students are to sit on the floor in the

Cafeteria/Commons area. Students must be supervised in the building outside of school hours.

Dismissal: Students who stay for an activity/tutoring session should remain in their designated area with the Gorzycki staff member in charge of the after school activity. Parents should pick up their child within 10 minutes of a given activity ending time. Failure to be picked up in a timely manner may result in restrictions from after-school activities.

ID BADGES

Students will be held accountable for wearing the badges that have been distributed. Extra lanyards can be purchased in Tiger Mart, which is open daily during lunches. Once pictures are taken and official badges are distributed, additional badges will cost \$5.

LOCKERS

All grade levels were issued lockers and a combination lock. Backpacks are not allowed in classrooms or in the cafeteria; students need to keep their backpacks in their lockers. Students can carry Chromebooks and notebooks to class in a Chromebook case.

MEDICATIONS ON CAMPUS

As of this year, **ALL MEDICATIONS ON CAMPUS REQUIRE DOCTOR'S ORDERS** in addition to a parent authorization form. This means that **all prescription and over-the-counter medications** require a doctor's order and will not be allowed on campus at all without it. In the past, the prescription label on the bottle served as an MD order but AISD has changed the policy and now requires the MD order. Students are not allowed to self-carry ANY medication without doctor's orders and parent authorization.

Daily medications and/or emergency medications such as inhalers, epipens, seizure or diabetic medications can be dropped off. The medications cannot be accepted without the necessary paperwork completed. You may visit the GMS website at gorzycki.austinschools.org to print and complete all necessary paperwork. Please call the health room with any questions or to make other arrangements to drop off medication. Health Room # 512-841-8620, or email to jessica.bram@austinisd.org.

DROPPING OFF ITEMS AT SCHOOL

In order to assist students with self-responsibility and to keep classroom disruptions to a minimum, GMS does not make deliveries nor do we contact the student while they are in class to let them know that their item was dropped off. You may tell your student before school that you will be dropping off an item or you can email their teacher. The student will then have to pick it up from the front office. (delivery exceptions are contact lenses or glasses).

PERMIT TO LEAVE SCHOOL EARLY

When students leave school early, written permission from a parent or guardian is required. Please follow these steps:

1. The student must bring the note to the front office in the morning to receive a pink slip.
2. The student will show the pink slip to the teacher when it is time to leave; the teacher will allow the student to go to the front office for parent pick-up. ****Without a pink slip, students are not allowed to leave class****
3. Parent/guardian(s) must sign the student out in the front office before leaving campus. Please bring your photo ID.

Gorzycki Partner Program

The PTA works diligently to provide resources for our students, teachers and staff, but we can be more successful with the help of our many partners in the community! The Gorzycki Partner Program enables your business to have significant exposure and visibility in our community while providing

vital funds to support our students. This opportunity is available to all businesses and families. Contact Jessica Swearingen and Rebecca Alvarez at partners@tigerpta.org with questions.

The PTA would like to thank the businesses that support our school!

BENGAL PARTNERS





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