

The background features a complex geometric pattern of overlapping triangles and polygons in shades of red, white, and grey. The shapes are arranged in a way that creates a sense of depth and movement, with some areas appearing to be in the foreground and others receding into the background. The overall effect is modern and dynamic.

BACK TO SCHOOL

August 20, 2022

Important Dates



- ▶ September 5: Labor Day (no school)
- ▶ September 23: End of 1st Six weeks
- ▶ September 29: Fall Open House
- ▶ October 10: Columbus Day (no school)
- ▶ October 12: PSAT test day
- ▶ October 19: Unity Day (wear orange)



DISCIPLINE

STANDARDS FOR STUDENT CONDUCT

Each student is expected to:



- ▶ 1. Demonstrate courtesy and respect for others.
- ▶ 2. Behave in a responsible manner
- ▶ 3. Attend all classes, regularly and on time.
- ▶ 4. Prepare for each class; take appropriate materials and assignments to class.
- ▶ 5. Meet District and campus standards of grooming and dress.
- ▶ 6. Obey all campus and classroom rules.
- ▶ 7. Respect the rights and privileges of other students, teachers, other District staff and volunteers.
- ▶ 8. Respect the property of others; including District property and facilities.
- ▶ 9. Cooperate with or assist the school staff in maintaining safety, order, and discipline.
- ▶ 10. Adhere to the requirements of the Student Code of Conduct.

Dress Code

Rivera Early College High School **DRESS CODE**

Refer to the District Student Handout or campus website for additional information. This list is not all-inclusive.
Final determination of acceptable dress and grooming rests with the Principal and their designees.

No sagging / baggy pants / torn or ripped jeans or clothing



No hats, caps, skullcaps, bandanas and other headgear. Sunglasses are not permitted during the instructional day



No sleeveless, spaghetti strap, or racerback tops.



Plain white undershirts, hoodies, or any indecent patches, writings, or drawings on clothing are prohibited.



No face/tongue piercing allowed. Traditional piercings on girls only.



Unconventional colored, multicolored, spiked mohawk or faux hawk hairstyles are NOT permitted.



No lowcut or strapless blouses



Skirt length must be no shorter than 3" above the knee, even with leggings.



Ear spacers/plugs/gauges are NOT allowed. One stud earring in each ear is allowed.



NO sleepwear/slippers



No chains or spiked bracelets, rings, or chokers. Jewelry/accessories are considered dangerous and are prohibited.



Only backpacks/sackpacks/ totes made of clear or mesh material allowed.



Exception: District issued bags with BISD logo.

All totes, purses, personal bags, handbags, satchels, pouches must not exceed 15"x15" in size.



Any apparel that distracts from the learning atmosphere will be considered inappropriate. Cleanliness, neatness, and good taste are the standards by which school personnel judge appropriate dress. Any apparel or unusual accessory that distracts from school decorum is NOT acceptable as appropriate dress for school.

The failure to comply with the dress code will result in the immediate placement of the student in ISS until the violation is corrected. See student handbook for details.

The background features a dark grey central area flanked by red geometric shapes. On the right, there are overlapping translucent red triangles and polygons. On the left, a solid red shape is partially visible.

Vaping

Why are e-cigarettes so dangerous? The vapor you breathe may contain...



Nicotine



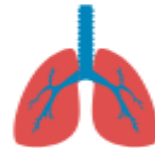
Flavoring such as diacetyl, a chemical linked to serious lung disease



Cancer-causing chemicals



Volatile organic compounds



Ultrafine particles that can be inhaled deep into the lungs



Heavy metals such as nickel, tin and lead



Sandy Hook Promise



Who's a trusted adult?



- ▶ Trusted Adults are counselors, teachers, administrators, police officers, social workers, cafeteria staff, security officers, bus drivers, and other adults who interact regularly with you

See something, say something



**Report Bullying / Cyberbullying
Anonymous Online Reporting
www.bisd.us**

Hotline 408-0049

**All calls are confidential.
No court testimony is
required and cash rewards
are available.**

Brownsville Independent School District • Police & Security Services

Attendance

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- ▶ Absences- Submit doctor excuses to the front office

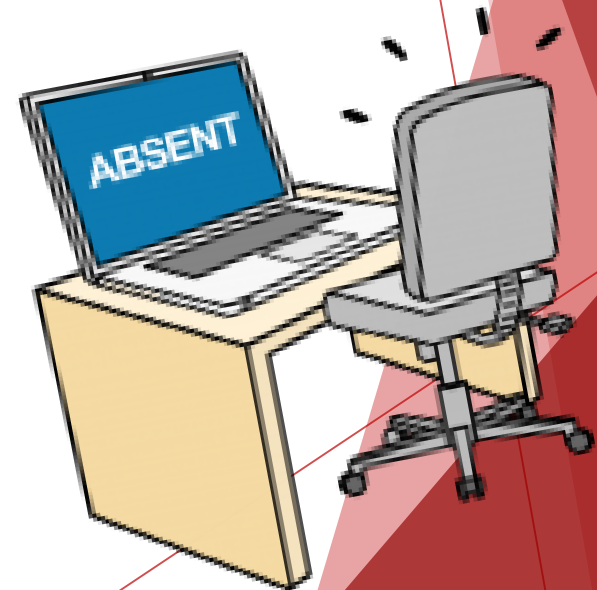
How many absences can I have per semester?

1st Semester- 8 absences

2nd Semester-10 absences

- ▶ How do I regain credit?

contact Mr. Benavidez



bbenavidez@bisd.us

956-698-2116

A PARENT'S QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE TO STUDENT ATTENDANCE FOR 2022-2023

Strong and consistent student attendance is directly related to academic achievement. State law requires all children between the ages of 6 and 19 years of age to be enrolled in school.

Our school district has high attendance standards.

BISD'S STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Student attendance goals are:

Elementary Schools....97.5%, Middle School....97%,
& High School....96%.

A STUDENT IS TRUANT DUE TO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES IF HE/SHE

Is absent 10 or more days or parts of days within a 6 month period in the same school year.

As per state law: (1) It is the parent's duty to monitor the student's attendance and require the student to attend school (either in person or virtually). (2) The parent may be subject to criminal prosecution. (3) A conference between school officials and a parent to discuss excessive absences will be required.

A student who violates compulsory attendance laws may be subject to truancy court by the process of a referral where court costs, community service and other remedial orders may be assigned.

ATTENDANCE FOR CREDIT

student with less than 90 percent attendance for the days the class is offered shall be subject to loss of credit in the course(s) where excessive absences have been recorded according to Policy FEC (Legal). Simply, a student may lose credit in a class whether he/she is passing or not, if he/she is absent over the limit.

A student can submit an appeal in writing to the campus administration requesting removal of the "NO CREDIT" status. The student may be asked to make up work and time and no longer be absent as part of the conditions. A committee will review each case based on phone calls and written documentation of absences reported. For details, call your campus administrator.

ATTENDANCE LIMITS

Elementary Schools: 18 days per year

Middle Schools: 8 days first semester,
10 days second semester

Early College High Schools: 8 days first semester,
10 days second semester

EXCUSED ABSENCES

As per policy FEA (Legal), the District shall excuse a student from attending school for the following purposes:

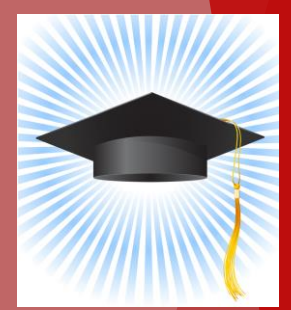
- **Religious Holy Days** – One day of excused travel for traveling to and from the site where the student will observe holy days.
- **Court Appearances** – One day of excused travel for traveling to and from the site where the student will attend required court appearance.
- **Citizenship Proceedings** – Appearing at a government office to complete citizenship proceedings.
- **Election Clerks** – Serving as an election clerk or student early voting clerk, maximum 2 days per year.
- **Health Care Appointments** – Temporary absence resulting from an appointment with a health care professional if the student commences classes or returns to school on the same day of appointment.
- **Campus Visits** – To visit an institution of higher education during student's junior and senior year of high school, maximum 2 days per year.
- **Military** – Children of military personnel who will be or have been deployed within 60 days before deployment or up to 30 days after arrival date, maximum 5 days per year.
- **Military Enlistment** – Student pursuing enlistments in the military, maximum 4 days per year.
- **Driver's License Office** – The purpose of visiting a driver's license office to obtain a driver's license or learner permit. Student must be enrolled in high school and 15 years of age or older (1 day yearly Maximum). The district must verify the student's visit to the driver's license office in accordance with the procedures adopted by your district.

For more information, call the
BISD Pupil Services Department at (956) 544-3966.

COUNSELOR

Academic Information

What credits do I need?



English I	English II	English III	English IV/4 th English
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Algebra	Geometry	Algebra 2	Precal or 4 th Math
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Biology	Chemistry	Physics	4 th Science
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W. Geo	W. HIST	U.S. History	Gov. Eco.
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P.E.	Fine Arts	Health	Speech
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Spanish I or French I	Spanish II or French II		
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Endorsement/5 Electives

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Pass EOC's:

Eng. I
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Eng. II
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AlgI
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BIO
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US HIST
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Graduation Plan:
Distinguished Level of
Achievement

To earn a distinguished level of achievement a student must successfully complete the curriculum requirements for **at least one endorsement**, including **4 credits in science** and **4 credits in mathematics** to include **Algebra II**.

= 26
credits

ARE YOU COLLEGE AND CAREER READY?

Graduation
requirement



MUST MEET
ONE OF THE
FOLLOWING
INDICATORS:

COLLEGE READY

- Score a 3 or above on an AP exam
- Meet TSIA Criteria (SAT/ACT/TSIA) in English Language Arts/Reading and Mathematics
- Complete college prep courses: HB5 ELA/HB5 Math
- Complete 9 hours of dual credit courses or earn 3 college credit hours in English or Math
- Earn an Associate's Degree

CAREER READY

- Earn an industry based certification



Visit your
counselor for
more information

TSIA 2.0

▶ The TSI Assessment (TSIA) is part of the Texas Success Initiative program to help determine if you are ready for college-level coursework.

▶ Based on how you perform, you may either be enrolled in a college-level course that matches your skill level and/or be placed in the appropriate developmental course

Passing Scores: an essay of 5-8 OR 910-949 with a Diagnostic score of 6

Math: 950-990 or 910-949 with a Diagnostic Score of 6

ELAR: 945-999 and

* Need for several dual enrollment courses

TSI cont.

► Can the I retake the test if I fail?

Yes, but the students who fail the TSIA 2 exam (ELAR or MATH) are required to do remedial hours (in-class, tutorials, and/or APEX) before they re-test. Sign up with Ms. Garcia in the counseling center

► How long does a TSIA 2 usually take?

The TSIA 2 not a timed test. The average time to complete all sections of the test is 3-5 hours.

**Sometimes it takes
only one act of
kindness and caring
to change a
person's life.**

—JACKIE CHAN



You are

BRAVER

than you believe,

STRONGER

than you seem, and

SMARTER

than you think.

**WE ARE
TEACHERS**