

BACK to SCHOOL



2018-19 PLANNING GUIDE

www.springbranchisd.com/studentsfamilies/back-to-school

**SCHOOL
STARTS**

Thursday, August 16

A MESSAGE FROM DR. MURI SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear SBISD Families,

All of us in Spring Branch ISD look forward to welcoming your children back to school in a few short weeks!

Great work continues under our strategic plan, *The Learner's Journey*. Teachers will expand use of our online learning platform, called itslearning. Counselors will offer guidance lessons on social/emotional and post-secondary topics, and our high schoolers will have access to more dual enrollment courses through our partnership with UT Austin's OnRamps program.



From our youngest learners to our Class of 2019, we are focused on personalizing learning, increasing rigor, and enhancing the student experience both in and out of the classroom so that #EveryChild is on track for T-2-4 success.

T-2-4 is our single focused goal for all our graduates to successfully complete a technical certificate, military training, or a 2-year or 4-year degree.

We recently launched new district and school websites, making the information you need easier to find on any device. The 2017 Bond program is under way – with planning for early building projects and technology refreshes in the works, and new musical instruments and dozens of buses on order.

We are committed to safety and security as our highest priority. As this letter goes to print, our security committee is finalizing its recommendations for presentation to the Board of Trustees. Please look for a safety brochure to come home with your children on the first day of school.

We thank you for entrusting your precious children to us and thank you for choosing SBISD.

Have a great rest of the summer. See you on August 16th!

Scott Muri, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Connect with me on Twitter @ScottMuri.

READY, SET, **BACK TO SCHOOL**

SBISD is focused on providing services and solutions that nurture students, parents and teachers on a journey to customized learning for EVERY CHILD.

Connect to Learning



Beginning this fall, SBISD students, teachers and staff will share an online learning platform called itslearning. The online site is designed to help personalize learning and to create opportunities that can be accessed in class, at home or elsewhere. Using the platform, teachers may create lessons, provide student instruction, or even offer new learning options.

springbranchisd.com/studentsfamilies/itslearning

Family Access

The Skyward App provides regular access to your child's full academic year. Download the app and check grades, view schedules, monitor attendance and learn more about key calendar dates and school reminders. Parents and students can also log into the Skyward (Family Access) portal from their campus or district website.

springbranchisd.com/studentsfamilies/family-accessskyward

Eat Well, Think Better!

Research shows healthy nutrition may improve wellness and student grades. This year, SBISD student breakfast and lunch prices will remain the same. Some campuses qualify for school meals that are free for all students. Download the MealViewer App to view menus, review cafeteria accounts, and apply for free or reduced-price student meal benefits, if eligible.

springbranchisd.com/about/departments/finance/child-nutrition-services

Catch a Bus

Find and view your school bus route and learn more about field trips, safety tips, and rules and regulations – right from your cellphone or mobile device. Provide street address, Zip Code, and grade level or school location, and Transfinder will find the bus that stops near your house or apartment.



springbranchisd.com/about/departments/talent-operations/transportation



Our Goal
T-2-4 for
Every Child

OUR GOAL - SPRING BRANCH T-2-4

Spring Branch T-2-4 is our goal for all SBISD graduates to successfully complete some form of higher education. What T-2-4 means for Every Child in SBISD:

- Technical Certification
- Military Training
- 2-year or 4-year Degree

SBISD believes in multiple measures to assess how our students, schools and district are progressing.

REGISTRATION

NEW & CURRENT STUDENTS

For new SBISD students, registration details can be found on the Back to School website. Families of returning students can update most information online through Family Access (Skyward).

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

Families either new to SBISD or having moved within SBISD to a different school are all encouraged to register students before Thursday, Aug. 16, the first day of school.

All registration forms can be completed online with access to an Internet-ready browser, email address and phone number. After registering online, appointments can be scheduled at the student's attendance-zone campus to submit the following:

- Immunization record certified by a doctor or public health official
- Transcript or Report Card from the last school attended
- Birth certificate or other document suitable as proof of child's identity
- Proof of SBISD residency is required upon enrollment. (Examples: lease agreement or mortgage payment book; district tax bill; utility bill with correct name and address)

In addition, registration will be held at the child's attendance-zone campus during these dates/times:

Aug. 1-2	Wed. - Thurs. (8 a.m. - Noon and 1 - 3:30 p.m.)
Aug. 6-9	Mon. - Thurs. (8 a.m. - Noon and 1 - 3:30 p.m.)
Aug. 13-15	Mon. - Tues. (8 a.m. - Noon and 1 - 3:30 p.m.)
Aug. 16	Thurs. (First day of school after 1 p.m.*)

* Registration after 1 p.m. on Aug. 16 will be held only for elementary and middle schools. Check with your high school on this option.

IMMUNIZATIONS & HEALTH FAIRS

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Please consult your family doctor or review the Texas Dept. of State Health Services at www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize, including immunization updates required for seventh-graders.

BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR

Join us for free immunizations and free school supplies. Please bring student shot records or the school nurse request.

Saturday, August 4, 8 a.m. – Noon

Spring Branch Family Development Center, 8575 Pitner Road,

Learn more: sbfdc.org

DISTRICT CALENDAR

HOLIDAYS

Sept. 3, 2018	Labor Day
Oct. 8, 2018	Student Holiday
Nov. 19 - 23, 2018	Thanksgiving
Dec. 24, 2018 - Jan. 4, 2019	Winter Break
Jan. 7, 2019	Student Holiday
Jan. 8, 2019	All Classes Resume
Jan. 21, 2019	Student/Staff Holiday
Feb. 18, 2019	Student Holiday
March 11 - 15, 2019	Spring Break
April 19, 2019	Student/Staff Holiday
May 27, 2019	Memorial Day

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 16, 2018	First Day of School
Oct. 18 - 19, 2018	Elementary Early Dismissal
Dec. 19 - 20, 2018	Secondary Early Dismissal
Dec. 21, 2018	Elementary/Secondary Early Dismissal
Feb. 14 - 15, 2019	Elementary Early Dismissal
May 22 - 23, 2019	Secondary Early Dismissal
May 24, 2019	Elementary/Secondary Early Dismissal
May 24, 2019	Last Day of School
May 28 - 30, 2019	Bad Weather Day Options (If Needed)

OPEN HOUSE DATES/COLLEGE NIGHT

Aug. 15-16, 23, 2018	YES Prep @ NHS (By Grade Level)
Aug. 16, 2018	PreK Parent Orientation
Aug. 23, 2018	KIPP Courage @ Landrum MS
Sept. 4-6, 2018	All High Schools
Sept. 5, 2018	Night for Scouting
Sept. 11-13, 2018	All Elementary Schools
Sept. 18, 25-27, 2018	All Middle Schools
Oct. 4, 2018	Schools for Early Learning/PreK
Oct. 8, 2018, 6-8 p.m.	College Night @ Spring Woods HS

PARENT U

Sept. 22, 2019	Planning for the Future (Grades 6 -12)
Oct. 20, 2019	Supporting Success for Every Child (PreK -5)

HOURS

Campus hours and special early dismissal dates may vary by school. Please check with your school or campus website. SBISD Administration offices are open Mon.-Fri. beginning August 6.

CONTACT

Campus hours are listed on your child’s school website.

PREK & ELEMENTARY

Bear Blvd.	713-251-7900
Bendwood	713-251-5200
Buffalo Creek	713-251-5300
Bunker Hill	713-251-5400
Cedar Brook	713-251-5500
Edgewood	713-251-5600
Frostwood	713-251-5700
Holibrook	713-251-5800
Housman	713-251-5900
Hunters Creek	713-251-6000
Lion Lane	713-251-6100
Meadow Wood	713-251-6200
Memorial Drive	713-251-6300
Nottingham	713-251-6400
Panda Path	713-251-8000
Pine Shadows	713-251-6500
Ridgecrest	713-251-6600
Rummel Creek	713-251-6700
Shadow Oaks	713-251-6800
Sherwood	713-251-6900
Spring Branch	713-251-7000
Spring Shadows	713-251-7100
Terrace	713-251-7200
Thornwood	713-251-7300
Tiger Trail	713-251-8100
Treasure Forest	713-251-7400
Valley Oaks	713-251-7500
Westwood	713-251-2100
Wilchester	713-251-7700
Wildcat Way	713-251-8200
Woodview	713-251-7800

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Cornerstone	713-251-1600
KIPP @ Landrum	713-251-3800
Landrum	713-251-3700
Memorial	713-251-3900
Northbrook	713-251-4100
Spring Branch	713-251-4400
Spring Forest	713-251-4600
Spring Oaks	713-251-4800
Spring Woods	713-251-5000
Westchester	713-251-1800
YES @ NB Middle	713-251-4200






HIGH SCHOOL

School of Choice	713-251-1500
Guthrie Center	713-251-1300
Memorial	713-251-2500
Northbrook	713-251-2800
Spring Woods	713-251-3100
Stratford	713-251-3400
Westchester	713-251-1800
Yes Prep @ NHS	713-251-4250

DISTRICT

Main Number	713-464-1511
Communities	713-251-2467
Athletics	713-251-1200
Human Resources	713-464-1511
Partnerships	713-251-2468
SBISD Police	713-984-9805
Superintendent	713-464-1511
Volunteers	713-251-2468

CONNECT

-  @sbisd
-  spring branch independent school district
-  Sbranchisd
-  sbisdGetInspired
-  sbisdsnapshots.blogspot.com

STAY CONNECTED

Stay Informed

Our FIRST PRIORITY is student safety and security. We regularly review and update our emergency policies and procedures. In the event of a school emergency, please monitor the district website or district social media for official information and instructions.



Manage Your News

Keep yourself and your family informed about SBISD news and campus events, bad weather cancellations and emergency/crisis situations.

Sign up for our e-news feed and Top 10 e-newsletter.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Details: springbranchisd.com/news/subscribe



Connect Online

SBISD launched its new district and campus websites in early July. The district URL remains www.springbranchisd.com.

With a fresh look and easy access to information, the new website is a powerful gateway to information for the entire Spring Branch community providing a range of support resources for students, families and our community.

Check the website often as we keep it updated with helpful information, articles, videos, district announcements and news about educator and student success.



SchoolMessenger

SchoolMessenger is SBISD's tool to connect parents and families via phone, text and email.

Download the School Messenger APP from the Apple Store or Google Play. Learn more:

go.schoolmessenger.com/#/account/signup

SBISD uses your email and phone numbers on-file in Skyward for emergency communications. Any changes in e-mail address and/or phone number should be made either in Skyward's Family Access or directly communicated to the campus, not in School Messenger. Explore the Message Preferences section to choose and set options. Don't totally opt out, or you won't receive call-outs, emails or texts in emergencies!

Questions?

Get answers to commonly asked SchoolMessenger questions here: go.schoolmessenger.com/#/learn Or, contact SchoolMessenger at www.schoolmessenger.com/support or at 1-800-920-3897.



Volunteer Now

SBISD thanks campus volunteers who make a big difference in young lives – PTA volunteers, mentors, tutors, chaperones, classroom volunteers and newcomers. Come join us! All our volunteers must complete an online application each year. The 2018-19 SBISD Volunteer Application is now posted online.

Learn more: springbranchisd.com/engage/partnerships-volunteers



Be Safe & Secure

The Visitor Management System (V-Soft) is being upgraded to the Raptor6 district platform for safe and secure tracking of all visitors and volunteers.

All visitors to SBISD schools and facilities must show a valid, government issued photo ID upon building entry and then be issued a visitors badge. Once your ID is scanned, a volunteer or visitor profile is created, and your ID will not need to be re-scanned this school year.



Peachjar Partners

SBISD uses Peachjar as its e-flyer distribution partner. During the year, flyers are distributed to the parent/guardian email address provided in Family Access (Skyward) each week. The email combines district, campus and approved community partner information to streamline content. Families can edit notification settings or even have other family members subscribe. School flyers may also be viewed by clicking on the Flyers icon on your campus homepage.

Learn more: springbranchisd.com/engage/flyer-distribution



Mentoring Matters

Please join our growing SpringBoard Mentor program and help students in grades 3-12 with your support, guidance and encouragement.

Hundreds of SBISD kids are now on waiting lists to gain a caring adult mentor just like you.

Learn more: www.springbranchisd.com/engage/mentors

Parent U: Planning for the Future

SBISD regularly provides parents and families with learning opportunities and presentations. We can help you connect to your family needs, from paying for college to ninth-grade curriculum choices and social media safety tips. Register for special sessions and Parent U events online.

Learn more: springbranchisd.com/studentsfamilies/education-engagement-empowerment-e3/parent-u-resources