



Spring Branch Academic Institute



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Secondary Issue 8

LeadSBISD

The Spring Branch Board of Trustees proudly announces LeadSBISD, a new program to encourage, engage and develop leaders across our school district community. The yearlong program will focus on all aspects of our school district, with bi-monthly meetings giving cohort members a deep-dive into one or more aspects of SBISD operations and initiatives. LeadSBISD Cohort 1 will be comprised of up to four representatives from each of our seven middle school feeder patterns, selected by lottery. There is no cost to participate and translation/interpretation will be available. Applications will be accepted online at this [link](#), and via paper application attached, between October 1-25.

Science Fair

The SBAI Science Fair will be held on November 15 from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. SBAI students will present 35 projects. Students and judges are to be present for the entire four hours. However, students who have after-school activities will be evaluated by judges between 1- 3:15 PM. Please inform Dr. Haidar if your student has afterschool activities by November 8. Parents may stop-by any time during the window of 1-5 PM for visiting the Science Fair Projects. Students with electives before 7th grade lunch will still attend those classes. Students with classes at SHS before 7th lunch will prepare the pod, set up their projects, and get feedback from fellow students. All SBAI students will be at Stratford after 7th lunch (be on the 12:48 bus) until the end of the Science Fair. Dr. Haidar will contact parents who expressed their willingness to be a SBAI Science Fair Judge soon. A short meeting will be held at 4:00 on November 8 at SBAI pod to discuss Science Fair Rubric and other logistics. Ten finalist from SBAI Science Fair will be recommended for the District Science Fair competition (Date not yet announced). District Science Fair winners will move to Science and Engineering Fair of Houston for presentation on February 15, 2020 at George R. Brown Convention Center. All necessary materials related to Science Fair are posted in the Science Fair Folder on Its Learning.

Absences and early pick up

Please call the attendance clerk at SFMS, 713.251.4604, or SHS, 713.251.3406, if your student is going to be absent. Also, email Jim Lefebber and Lisa Helfer any absences or if picking up a student before dismissal.

Upcoming Events

- Oct 7**
 - 1. Art of the Brick opens, HMNS
 - 2. Youth Police Application due
 - 3. SHS Chromebook Roll Out Meeting
SHS Library 6:00 pm
- Oct 9** SHS Night Pep Rally 8:00 pm
- Oct 10**
 - 1. SFMS Stratford Spirit Day
 - 2. SFMS Band Concert 6:30
 - 3. SHS Football vs Another Team 7
- Oct 11,14** **School Holiday – Students**
- Oct 16** PSAT Grades 8-9, NMSQT 10-11
- Oct 17** SFMS Pink Out Day
- Oct 18**
 - 1. Breakfast with Dr. Blaine 8:00
11935 Broken Bough [RSVP](#)
 - 2. SFMS Spookfest 4:00 & 6:30 pm
- Oct 21-22** DLP Conference 6th grade, SHS
- Oct 23**
 - 1. DLP Conferences 9th grade, SHS
 - 2. SFMS Multicultural Festival
SFMS 3:30-5:00
- Oct 24** SFMS early Release 1:35
- Oct 25** LeadSBISD Application Due
- Oct 28** Cybersecurity PSA Due
- Nov 1**
 - 1. 7th, 8th grade after-school Dance
 - 2. Reflections entries due
- Nov 2** SFMS 8th Grade Dance Car Wash
- Nov 4** Generation TEX College Fair
- Nov 13** SHS Late Start 9:45, HS only
- Nov 8** Science Fair Judges meeting, 4:00
- Nov 15** Science Fair SHS 1:00-5:00
- Nov 19** Spelling Bee Permission Slips Due
- Nov 25-29** **Thanksgiving Break**
- Dec 3** Secondary Spelling Bee SFMS 8:30
- Dec 17-20** Secondary Final Exams
- Dec 18-20** Secondary early dismissal
SHS 12:00, SFMS 12:35
- Dec 21** **Winter Break Begins**
- Jan 7** Students Return from Winter Break
- Jan 30** The Drowsy Chaperone
SHS Auditorium 7:30 pm
- Jan 31** District Spelling Bee WAIS 8:30 am
- Feb 7** All school Dance
- Feb 12** SHS Late Start 9:45, HS Only
- Feb 27** SFMS Early Release, 1:35
- Feb 29**
 - 1. SHS Big Day – volunteer event
 - 2. Hou. Public Media Spelling Bee

Spelling Bee

The secondary spelling bee will be Tuesday December 3 in the SFMS MPR at 8:30 am. There will be an elementary and middle school SBAI representative at the district bee January 31. Permission forms are available at the end of the newsletter or may be picked up from Ms. Helfer. After completing the permission form, participants will receive a copy of the study words for the school bee and links and passwords to spelling bee Quizlets. Good luck.

Can Food Drive at Stratford

This week is our annual rivalry against Memorial for who can bring in the most cans. Right now we only have a little over 100 and last year we had 17,000. Bring your canned goods to the SHS Snack Bar.

Chess Club

Spring Forest is still in need of parent helpers for the Chess Club. Meetings are Mondays in the SFMS MPR from 3:35 – 5:00 PM. Please help if you can.

Youth Police Advisory Council

The Houston Police Department is inviting Houston area high school students to apply for the 2019-2020 Youth Police Advisory Council (YPAC). Students will address issues affecting youth and the community, participate in community service projects and attend youth leadership conferences throughout the state. Fifty-four high school students are selected from area schools each year to serve on the council. The YPAC meets regularly with Chief of Police Art Acevedo and other top HPD officials. YPAC members are required to meet five times during the school year at the HPD Edward A. Thomas Building at 1200 Travis in downtown Houston. [Applications are available online](#), the deadline to apply is Monday, October 7, 2019. [Follow the link](#) for more information, or email or call [Rhonda Holmes](#) at 713.308.3200.

Art of the Brick

Opening October 7, at the Houston Museum of Natural Science: [The Art of the Brick](#) -- actual ART, with Legos...not just stuff built from Legos like those displayed in Lego stores, but Legos as an artistic medium (Editor's note: They haven't seen SBAI Lego Robotics Teams). Artist Nathan Sawaya manages to put emotion, whimsy, and creativity into Legos, more than you would think possible.

PSAT and NMSQT

Wednesday October 16 all eighth and ninth graders in SBISD will be taking the [PSAT](#) and 10th and 11th graders will be taking the [PSAT 10/National Merit Scholar Qualifying Test](#). All SBAI testing students will be at Stratford; non-testers will be at SFMS until testing is complete. There are practice tests on [Khan Academy](#). Students who qualify for testing accommodations will have those accommodations for the NMSQT only. Like the Iowa test at SBAI, the PSAT is used as a baseline. Sixth and seventh graders will be at SFMS during first period, third period, and lunch. Electives will still meet; SBAI morning classes will meet at SFMS.

Differentiated Learning Plan Conferences, 6th Grade

Differentiated Learning Plans list yearly goals for student progress. DLPs will be going home with students along with the first nine-weeks report cards around October 17. Sixth-grade parents and students will have the opportunity to discuss their DLP Monday October 21 or Tuesday October 22 at Stratford HS. Times are attached to the end of the newsletter.

Differentiated Learning Plan Conferences, 9th Grade

Differentiated Learning Plans list yearly goals for student progress. DLPs will be going home with students along with the first nine-weeks report cards around October 17. Ninth-grade parents and students will have the opportunity to discuss their DLP Wednesday October 23 at Stratford HS. Times are attached to the end of the newsletter.

SFMS MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

The annual SFMS [Multicultural Festival](#) is one of the students' favorite events of the entire year. Students and families are invited to attend and experience this fun community event October 23 3:35pm - 5:00pm. Teachers and parents host dozens of tables that represent countries from all over the world. Students receive a passport to "visit" and learn about other cultures, sample food, listen to music and enjoy a wonderful learning experience.

Cybersecurity High School PSA Competition

Share your cybersecurity practices to keep your friends and family safe. Create a short (15-20 sec.) Public Service Announcement (PSA) video in one of three Competition Categories: Phishing, Social Media, and Hackers. For more information [follow this link](#). Deadline October 28.

Reflections Contest

Please encourage your student to sign up for the Reflections contest. The theme for the 2019-2020 program year is Look Within. Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts. Attached to the end of the newsletter is a flyer and registration form – due November 1. Please contact [Vanya Karia](#) for details.

Volunteering Opportunity

Last year, Jean Hoang, a student in SBAI, volunteered to help math teachers at Spring Forest by staying afterschool and helping the teachers during their tutorials. Jean would like to continue the organization and is hoping some students will step up and help the Spring Forest community as she did. Not only will these students be helping their peers, but they will also learn how to teach others. In addition to following SBAI's vision of contributing to society, this is a great opportunity to meet friends while upholding a strong foundation in math. If your child is interested, please let Jean or SBAI know, so we can set up a date for Jean to provide a short training session and share her experience. It is one hour of volunteering, one or two days a week, after school. Math content ranges from 6th grade math to Algebra or Geometry. We will find the teachers and the right level of math who need your child's help. Spring Forest teachers have expressed their need and gratitude for this effort.

Second Annual SBAI Pathways Event

Planning for the 2nd Annual Pathways event in January 2020 is underway. Pathways is a two-day experience that allows SBAI learners to explore careers in an enjoyable, engaging way. If you are interested in contributing to this body of work, please contact [Susan Fargason](#).

Stratford Playhouse

Stratford Playhouse has lined up a very exciting 2019/2020 Season! It starts off with the whimsical play, "Peter and the Starcatcher." The big musical this winter will be fun and family-friendly: "The Drowsy Chaperone." And then we end the season with a bang with "Mamma Mia!" Season tickets went on sale Monday, August, 19th. Don't miss out on the chance to get the best seats in the house! Go to <http://www.shsplayhouse.org/> to get your tickets.

SFMS PTA/Campus Communication

To receive regular details from SFMS, click on the link and add your email address to get the [SFMS PTA e-blast](#). Please read the e-Blast and this newsletter to stay informed.

Stratford PTSA/Campus Communication

Ninth-grade parents, please stay informed with upcoming events. To receive regular details from SHS, click on the link and add your email address to [Sign Up for Spartan Scoop](#). Please read the PTA information and this newsletter to stay informed.

Preparing for High School

Eighth-grade students will be asked to choose an endorsement, similar to a college major as it is an "area of interest" that students may pursue in high school. The five endorsement areas are Arts and Humanities, Business and Industry, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), Public Service, and Multidisciplinary Studies. Students are able to earn more than one endorsement and change endorsement any time before their junior year. A pathway is a series of course options needed to earn a particular endorsement. There are several pathways within an endorsement.

Below is a Graduation Toolkit produced by the Texas Education Agency. [Graduation Toolkit English](#)

The link below allows you to see the pathways offered at Stratford High School – page 27. Click on the links to the five endorsements to find the possible pathways. Click on the pathways to see courses that would satisfy the pathway and earn the endorsement.

https://online.springbranchisd.com/cc/CourseCatalog_HS_2019-2020.pdf

Pathway of the Week

STEM Endorsement with a [Science Pathway](#). Students may earn a STEM Endorsement by completing Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and two additional science credits

Curriculum Update

Find more information by going to the teachers' Its Learning courses.

Haidar <https://sbisd.itslearning.com>. Login using student SBISD account, click Courses, find your class.

Sexton [Sbisd.itslearning.com/dillon](https://sbisd.itslearning.com/dillon).

Treleaven <https://sbisd.itslearning.com/tr11/blog/>

Wood <https://sbaimesomeknowledge.weebly.com/>

Alexander <https://sbisd.itslearning.com/alexanderl/about/>

Alexander

Math 6: We will begin our equations and inequalities unit discussing equivalent expressions.

Math 7/Pre-Algebra: We will conclude our number theory unit with an exam on Wednesday.

Geometry: We will conclude our area relationship unit with an exam on Wednesday.

Haidar

Science: Type of Chemical Reaction

Biology: DNA Replication

IPC: Work Power and Energy

Sexton

Algebra I: Solving linear equations and graphing forms of lines

Algebra II: Review of transformations and equations of lines

PreCal: Derivation of conic sections

Treleaven

English I students should have a copy of their outside nonfiction reading book and be working on their project (due Oct 23-24th). Pursuit of Justice students will have a Socratic Seminar on *Brown Girl Dreaming* either Wednesday or Thursday, and Decades of Change will begin pre-reading for their next novel. All students will continue grammar and vocabulary study through NoRedInk and Membean, respectively.

Wood

USH: American Revolution Compare & Contrast Project presentations on Monday then we will move into the Articles of Confederation-era. We will hold a Northwest Ordinance land auction and discuss the struggles facing the young nation.

WC & G: We will continue our exploration of Human Geography by looking at how people around the world live. Later in the week, we will take notes on the various elements of culture.

ELA Courage: Vocab quiz on Monday. Final novel quiz on Tuesday. This week we will start discussing the literary element of theme as it applies to the novels in preparation for writing an MLA analysis paper.

Spring Forest Middle School Bell Schedule Monday, Tuesday, and Friday

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
1 st Period 8:26 AM – 9:18 AM	1 st Period 8:26 AM – 9:18 AM	1 st Period 8:26 AM – 9:18 AM
2 nd Period 9:23 AM – 10:15 AM	2 nd Period 9:23 AM – 10:15 AM	2 nd Period 9:23 AM – 10:15 AM
3 rd Period 10:20 AM – 11:12 AM	3 rd Period 10:20 AM – 11:12 AM	3 rd Period 10:20 AM – 11:12 AM
LUNCH 11:17 AM – 11:46 AM	4 th Period 11:17 AM – 12:09 PM	4 th Period 11:17 AM – 12:09 PM
4 th Period 11:51 AM – 12:43 PM	LUNCH 12:14 PM – 12:43 PM	5 th Period 12:14 PM – 1:06 PM
5 th Period 12:48 PM – 1:40 PM	5 th Period 12:48 PM – 1:40 PM	LUNCH 1:11 PM – 1:40 PM
6 th Period 1:45 PM – 2:37 PM	6 th Period 1:45 PM – 2:37 PM	6 th Period 1:45 PM – 2:37 PM
7 th Period 2:42 PM – 3:35 PM	7 th Period 2:42 PM – 3:35 PM	7 th Period 2:42 PM – 3:35 PM

SBAI Bell and Bus Schedule

1 st Period 8:30 AM – 9:20 AM	Bus 8:20 SFMS → SHS
2 nd Period 9:25 AM – 10:20 AM	Bus 9:10 SHS → SFMS ; 9:23 SFMS → SHS (RT)
3 rd Period 10:25 AM – 11:15 AM	Bus 10:07 SHS → SFMS ; 10:20 SFMS → SHS (RT)
4 th Period 11:20 AM – 12:15 PM OR 11:55 – 12:50	Bus 11:04 SHS → SFMS ; 11:17 SFMS → SHS (RT)
5 th Period 12:20 PM – 1:10 PM	Bus 11:51 SFMS → SHS; 12:01 SHS → SFMS (RT)
OR 12:55 PM – 1:45 PM	Bus 12:14 SFMS → SHS; 12:35 SHS → SFMS (RT)
6 th Period 1:50 PM – 2:40 PM	Bus 12:48 SFMS → SHS; 12:58 SHS → SFMS (RT)
7 th Period 2:45 PM – 3:35 PM	Bus 1:32 SHS → SFMS ; 1:45 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 2:29 SHS → SFMS ; 2:42 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 3:25 SHS → SFMS

Spring Forest Middle School Wednesday Bell Schedule

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
1 st Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM	1 st Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM	1 st Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM
3 rd Period 10:05 AM – 11:39 AM	3 rd Period 10:05 AM – 11:39 AM	3 rd Period 10:05 AM – 11:39 AM
LUNCH 11:44 AM – 12:17 PM	5 th Period 11:44 AM – 12:28 PM	5 th Period 11:44 AM – 1:18 PM
5 th Period 12:22 PM – 1:56 PM	LUNCH 12:33 PM – 1:06 PM	LUNCH 1:23 PM – 1:56 PM
7 th Period 2:01 PM – 3:35 PM	5 th Period 1:11 PM – 1:56 PM	7 th Period 2:01 PM – 3:35 PM
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SBAI Bell and Bus Schedule

1 st Period 8:30 AM – 10:05 AM	Bus 8:20 SFMS → SHS
3 rd Period 10:10 AM – 11:31 AM	Bus 9:52 SHS → SFMS ; 10:05 SFMS → SHS (RT)
5 th Period 12:25 PM – 2:00 PM	Bus 11:31 SHS → SFMS
7 th Period 2:05 PM – 3:25 PM	12:22 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 1:48 SHS → SFMS ; 2:01 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 3:25 SHS → SFMS

Spring Forest Middle School Thursday Bell Schedule

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
2 nd Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM	2 nd Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM	2 nd Period 8:26 AM – 10:00 AM
Advisory 1 10:05 AM – 10:50 AM	Advisory 1 10:05 AM – 10:50 AM	Advisory 1 10:05 AM – 10:50 AM
Advisory 2 10:54 AM – 11:39 AM	Advisory 2 10:54 AM – 11:39 AM	Advisory 2 10:54 AM – 11:39 AM
LUNCH 11:44 AM – 12:17 PM	4 th Period 11:44 AM – 12:28 PM	4 th Period 11:44 AM – 1:18 PM
4 th Period 12:22 PM – 1:56 PM	LUNCH 12:33 PM – 1:06 PM	LUNCH 1:23 PM – 1:56 PM
6 th Period 2:01 PM – 3:35 PM	4 th Period 1:11 PM – 1:56 PM	6 th Period 2:01 PM – 3:35 PM
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SBAI Bell and Bus Schedule

2 nd Period 8:30 AM – 10:05 AM	Bus 8:20 SFMS → SHS
Advisory 1 10:05 AM – 10:50 AM	Bus 9:52 SHS → SFMS ; 10:10 SFMS → SHS (RT)
Advisory 2 10:54 AM – 11:39 AM	Bus 10:41 SHS → SFMS ; 10:55 SFMS → SHS (RT)
4 th Period 12:25 PM – 2:00 PM	Bus 11:31 SHS → SFMS
6 th Period 2:05 PM – 3:25 PM	12:22 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 1:48 SHS → SFMS ; 2:01 SFMS → SHS (RT)
	Bus 3:25 SHS → SFMS



Stratford High School Bell Schedules



Regular Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	7:45	9:13
3 or 4 (With Announcements)	9:19	10:50
Block Lunch	10:54	11:54
5 or 6	11:58	1:26
7 or 8	1:32	3:00

Assembly Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	7:45	9:01
Assembly	9:01	9:46
3 or 4	9:52	11:12
Block Lunch	11:16	12:16
5 or 6	12:20	1:37
7 or 8	1:43	3:00

Spartan Time Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	7:45	9:02
3 or 4	9:08	10:26
Block Lunch	10:30	11:30
5 or 6	11:34	12:51
Spartan Time (With Announcements)	12:57	1:37
7 or 8	1:43	3:00

Pep Rally Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	7:45	9:03
3 or 4 (With Announcements)	9:09	10:30
Block Lunch	10:34	11:34
5 or 6	11:38	12:56
7 or 8	1:02	2:20
Pep Rally	2:20	3:00

Late Start Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	9:45	10:43
3 or 4 (With Announcements)	10:49	11:50
Block Lunch	11:54	12:54
5 or 6	12:58	1:56
7 or 8	2:02	3:00

Food Truck Schedule		
Period	Begin	End
1 or 2	7:45	9:06
3 or 4 (With Announcements)	9:12	10:35
Block Lunch	10:39	12:09
5 or 6	12:13	1:34
7 or 8	1:40	3:00

2019 – 20 October DLP Schedule
Stratford HS conference room in the main office

Monday October 21

Per	Time	Student	Teachers	Class	Room
1	8:35 – 9:00	Zoe	Alexander & Wood	Math	207A
	9:00 – 9:25	Julio	Alexander & Wood	Math	207A
2	9:30 – 9:55	Saige	Alexander & Wood	Social St	207A
	9:55 – 10:20	Alex	Alexander & Treleaven	Social St	207A
3	10:25 – 10:50	Ben	Alexander & Treleaven	Science	207A
	10:50 – 11:15				
	11:20 – 12:00				
4	12:00 – 12:25	Jaeho	Alexander & Treleaven	Science	Conf
	12:25 – 12:50	Will D	Alexander & Wood	Science	Conf
5	12:55 – 1:20	Lauren	Alexander & Wood	ELA	Conf
	1:20 – 1:45	Maddox	Alexander & Wood	ELA	Conf
6	1:50 – 2:15	Justin	Alexander & Wood	Science	Conf
	2:15 – 2:40	Kelly	Alexander & Wood	Science	Conf
7	2:45 – 3:10	Ronin	Alexander & Wood	Geometry	Conf
	3:10 – 3:35				Conf

Tuesday October 22

Per	Time	Student	Teachers	Class	Room
1	8:35 – 9:00				Conf
	9:00 – 9:25				Conf
2	9:30 – 9:55				Conf
	9:55 – 10:20				Conf
3	10:25 – 10:50				Conf
	10:50 – 11:15				Conf
	11:20 – 12:00				Conf
4	12:00 – 12:25				Conf
	12:25 – 12:50				Conf
5	12:55 – 1:20				Conf
	1:20 – 1:45	Aaron	Wood and Sexton	ELA	Conf
6	1:50 – 2:15	Bryan	Wood and Sexton	Science	Conf
	2:15 – 2:40	Stephanie	Wood and Sexton	Science	Conf
7	2:45 – 3:10	Valerie	Wood and Sexton	Math	Conf
	3:10 – 3:35	Vincent	Wood and Sexton	Math	Conf

2019 – 20 October DLP Schedule
Stratford HS

Wednesday October 23

Period	Time	Student	Class	Location
2	7:45 – 8:10	Sara Cate	Tennis	Conference Room
	8:15 – 8:40	Matthew M	Orchestra	Conference Room
	8:45 – 9:10	Chloe	Orchestra	Conference Room
4	9:20 – 9:45	Matthew S	Band	Conference Room
	9:50 – 10:15	Cooper	Tech Theatre	Conference Room
	10:20 – 10:45	Emerson	Choir	Conference Room
6	12:00 – 12:25	Jean	Band	Conference Room
	12:30 – 12:55	Katrina	Dance	Conference Room
	1:00 – 1:25	Lowell	Spanish	Conference Room
8	1:35 – 2:00	Will Y	Computer Science	Conference Room
	2:05 – 2:30	Phin	Debate	Conference Room
	2:35 – 3:00			Conference Room

Dear Stratford Families,

We are excited to announce that on October 29th and 30th of this school year, we will provide every student at Stratford High School with the opportunity to participate in the Spring Branch ISD Chromebook Loaner Program. With this device, students will have access to anywhere, anytime learning and will be able to engage with their classes, teachers, and peers in new and exciting ways.

It is our expectation that every student will come to school each day with a portable computer charged for a full day of use. Students have the option to bring a laptop from home or participate in the Chromebook Loaner Program. This will enable students to access itsLearning, a learning management system already being used in our classes to access course content.

Prior to receiving Chromebooks, students will need to have the [SBISD Student Device Loan Agreement](#) signed by a parent or guardian. The second page of this agreement should be **returned to the library**. This document addresses the loan conditions as well as the optional \$25.00 technology damage coverage.

Please read the coverage agreement carefully as it is specific with regards to financial responsibility and what is and is not covered by the optional damage coverage. If you elect to purchase the Optional Technology Damage Coverage, then you may pay by check (payable to Stratford HS), cash in exact amount, or through [MySchoolBucks](#), a secure online payment system accepting credit cards, debit cards, and electronic checks.

Any student who prefers to bring their own device to school can opt out of the Chromebook Loaner Program as long as the device has a screen size of at least 9 inches, has keyboard capability, and has the ability to connect to the school's wireless network. All students will be expected to abide by the [SBISD Student Acceptable Use Policy](#) regardless of the device they use.

Action Steps for students participating in the Chromebook Loaner Program:

Please return:

- A signed [SBISD Student Device Loan Agreement](#) to the **Library by October 18th (required)**
- Technology Damage Coverage fee **to the Library** from 7:30-8:15AM or 2:30-3:15PM **by October 18th (optional, but recommended - not necessary for those using MySchoolBucks)**

I will host an optional informational meeting regarding the Chromebook Loaner Program on Monday, October 7, 2019 at 6:00PM in the Library. During this session, I will explain the benefits of our digital learning tools, describe our plan for distribution, and answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Chad Crowson, Principal

SBAI

Spelling Bee

Permission slip is due
Tuesday November 19 if you
are going to participate!

Permission/Participation Form and Quick Info Sheet

Students and Parents:

Yay, it's bee time! This is a *voluntary* activity and is not required. We will hold 2 separate spelling bees, 1 for elementary SBAI students, 1 for secondary! We are sending the 2 winners to the district bee this year. The secondary spelling bee will occur Tuesday December 3 at Spring Forest Middle School at 8:30 in the MPR.

The district bee will be held Friday, January 31 at Westchester Academy at 8:30 am.

The requirements for participating in the bee are below.

- **Students who wish to participate in the SBAI Spelling Bee must turn in this signed permission slip by Tuesday, November 19.**
- Students will be given a copy of the *spelling practice words* from the Scripps website (www.spellingbee.com) once they have returned the permission slip.
- SBAI will adhere to local bee rules as other SBISD schools do.
- Students who have excessive tardies, absences, failing grades, office referrals, or conduct issues will not be allowed to participate in the Bee.
- Disqualification is at the discretion of Ms. Kassir and Mr. Lefebvre
- Students must not solicit assistance from teachers at any time during the school day. They are welcome to study words with their friends.
- There will be no official bee practices on campus – rather, studying for the bee is the responsibility of the student and parent.
- Please understand that these guidelines are meant to ensure the most fair and judicial Spelling Bee as possible.

**Please keep this page for your reference and sign and return the 2nd page by
Tuesday November 19 if you are interested in participating.**

Good Luck!

SBAI Spelling Bee

Permission Slip

In signing my name below, I acknowledge that I have read the Spelling Bee Info Sheet and agree to the guidelines and rules written above.

Student Name _____

Grade _____

Parent Signature

Student Signature

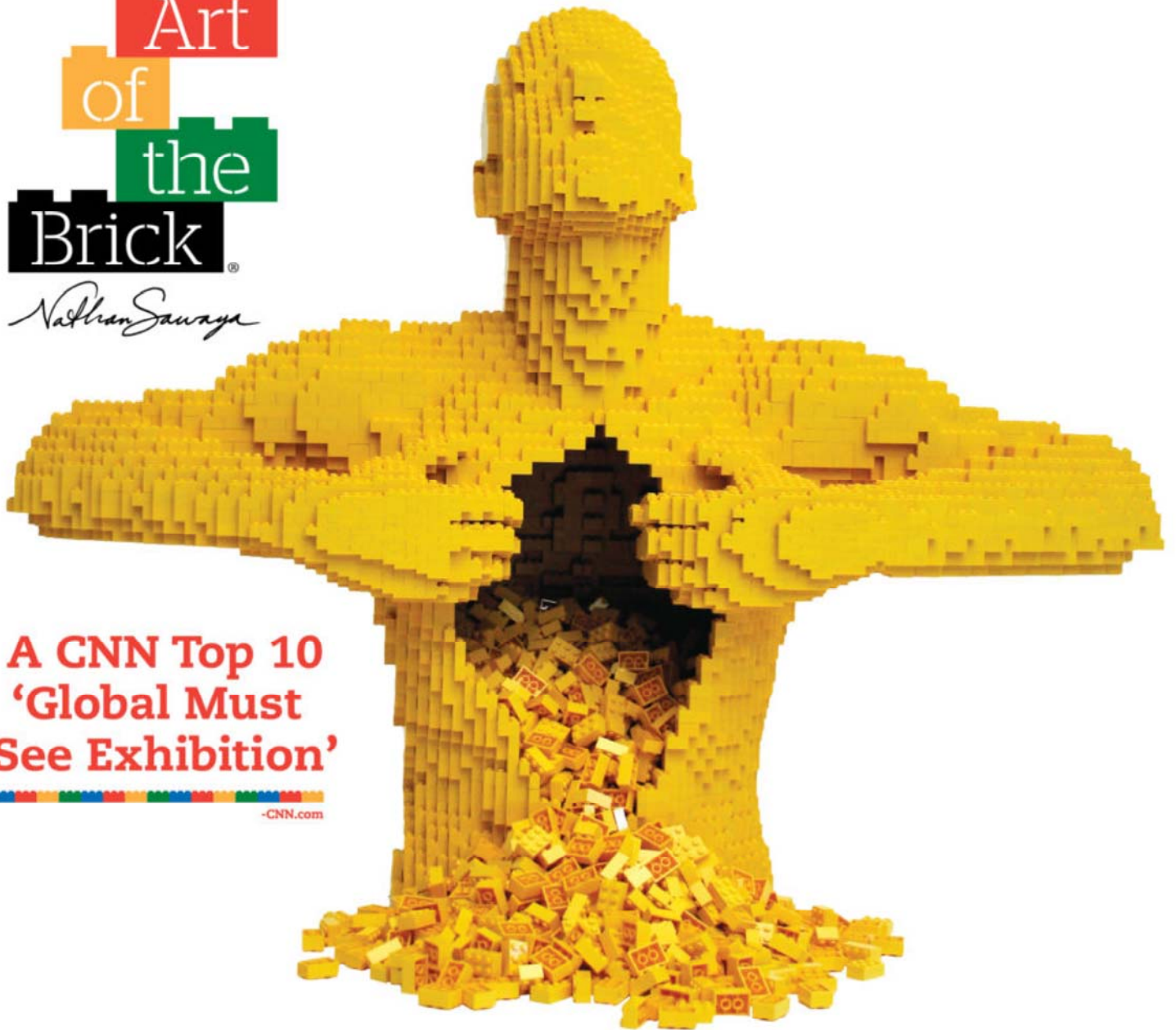
Date _____

Please return this form to Ms. Helfer or Mr. Lefebber.

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of
the
Brick[®]
Nathan Sawaya

A CNN Top 10
'Global Must
See Exhibition'


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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES
HOSTS 2ND ANNUAL

2019 CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS PSA COMPETITION

SHARE YOUR CYBERSECURITY PRACTICES TO KEEP YOUR
FRIENDS AND FAMILY SAFE.
CREATE A SHORT (15-30 SEC.) PUBLIC SERVICE
ANNOUNCEMENT VIDEO.

ADDITIONAL INFO: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/2MQXRLZ](https://bit.ly/2MQXRLZ)
SUBMISSION LINK: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/2MAEC7P](https://bit.ly/2MAEC7P)

SUBMISSIONS OPEN
SEPT 20 • OCT 28

This event is open to Texas High School
Students (grades 9-12).



UNLEASH YOUR

creative potential

There is NO LIMIT on the number of entries per student

For Program Rules And Student Entry Forms Visit:

<https://www.txpta.org/reflections-participation>

Each entry must be accompanied by an official entry form.

Guidelines and requirements must be met or your entry will not be judged (see the program rules above).

Submit completed entries to the front office labeled "Reflections." The submission box will be available from 11/4/2019 until 11/6/2019.

Entry Deadline: FIRST WEDNESDAY OF NOVEMBER (11/6/19)

Please email me with any questions at vanya.karia@att.net

SPECIAL NOTE: Reflections is a current PTA member benefit. All entrants must have at least **one current SFMS PTA member** in their household for **this** school year. Click below to renew or join the PTA.
<https://sfmspta.membershiptoolkit.com/home>

"LOOK WITHIN" is the theme for the 2019-2020 school year. Create original works of art in as many of the categories as you choose.

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Remember to reflect the theme in the work!

ABOUT REFLECTIONS

Reflections has been a staple arts program in many schools for 50 years. Through the efforts of our Local PTAs, millions of students have found a creative outlet in the areas of dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, and visual arts.

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2019-2020 PTA Reflections Program: Look Within STUDENT ENTRY FORM

THE LOCAL (SCHOOL) PTA MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION BEFORE ADVANCING

Verify household membership and complete partial or illegible entry forms. **CORRECT and COMPLETE CONTACT INFORMATION is VERY important as the entry progresses so the family receives information about possible awards and ceremonies.**

School PTA Contact Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Household Membership Verified by: _____ Date Joined: _____

Local (School) PTA must attain Active Status with Texas PTA by October 31st

☐ PTA has reported at least 20 members to Texas PTA

☐ Board Member Information Reported to Texas PTA

Please type or print clearly in black or blue ink (do not use pencil). This form must be completed in its entirety.

If additional space is needed, please continue onto the back or a separate sheet of paper and clearly mark with your full name.

The student or at least one person from their primary household must be a current member of the Local PTA/PTSA where the student is participating. Encourage members to join before judging begins.

REQUIRED PTA MEMBER NAME(S): _____ **CHOOSE ONE:** ☐ Current Member/Date Joined: _____

☐ Please contact me! We need to join.

The best way to contact me is by: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ **GRADE:** _____ **AGE:** _____ **M/F:** _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN PHONE: _____ **E-MAIL:** _____

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TEACHER NAME: _____ **TEACHER EMAIL:** _____

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Signature of student

Signature of parent/legal guardian (required if child is under 18 years)

JUDGING INFORMATION

GRADE DIVISION (Check One)

- ☐ PRIMARY (Preschool- Grade 2) ☐ HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)
☐ INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5) ☐ SPECIAL ARTIST* (All Grades)
☐ MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)

ARTS CATEGORY (Check One)

- ☐ DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY ☐ MUSIC COMPOSITION
☐ FILM PRODUCTION ☐ PHOTOGRAPHY
☐ LITERATURE ☐ VISUAL ARTS

*Please refer to the Special Artist Guidelines if you believe your entry qualifies for this division.

Special Artist entrants should select both their grade division and the Special Artist box.

TITLE OF ARTWORK (REQUIRED): _____

ENTRY DETAILS: (Dance/Film: cite background music; Music: musician(s)/instrumentation; Literature: word count; Photo/Visual Arts: materials & dimensions) _____

ARTIST STATEMENT (REQUIRED): Statement must be 10- 100 words describing how your work relates to the theme. *Many times, the artist statement will make a huge difference during judging because this is where you as the artist can explain in your own words, your thoughts and feelings for the piece.

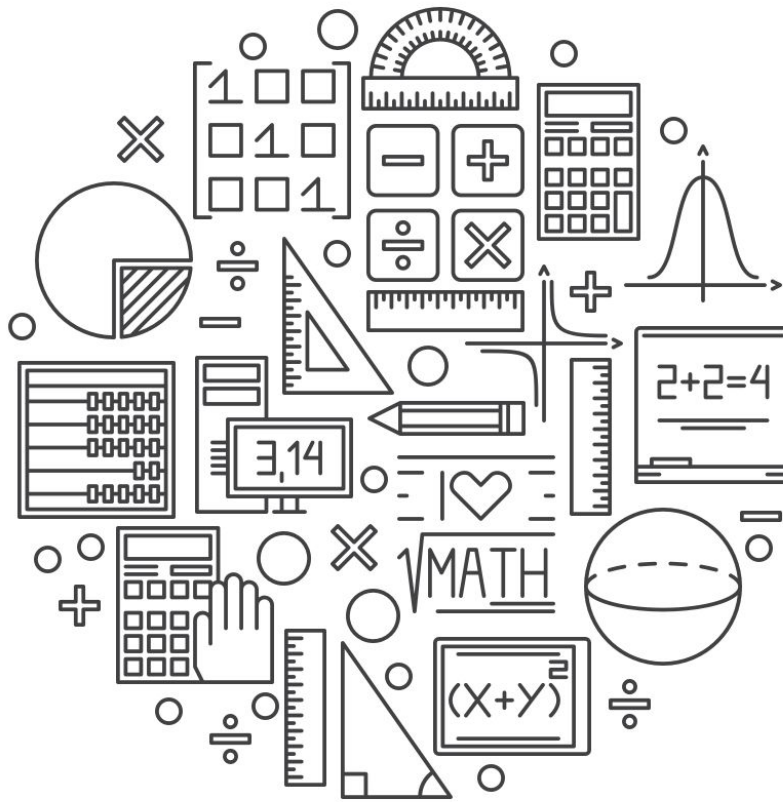
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By: Jean Hoang

Pathways of the Week

STEM Math

August 26, 2019

Pathway of the Week

STEM Endorsement with a [Mathematics Pathway](#). Students may earn a STEM Endorsement by completing Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II along with two additional math credits that have Algebra II as a pre-requisite.

Business & Industry Lang Arts

September 2, 2019

Pathway of the Week

Business & Industry Endorsement with a [Language Arts Electives Pathway](#). Students may earn an Endorsement in Business & Industry by earning four English Language Arts elective credits which include 3 levels in one area.

Business & Industry Tech Apps

September 9, 2019

Pathway of the Week

Business & Industry Endorsement with a [Technology Applications Pathway](#). Students may earn the Business & Industry Endorsement by successfully completing four technology applications credits.

Public Service Health

September 16, 2019

Pathway of the Week EDITS NEEDED

Public Services Endorsement with a Health Science - [Health Science Cluster](#).

Medical Health Professions are the largest and fastest-growing industries in Texas. This area of study will prepare you for a career that promotes health, wellness and diagnosis, and treats injuries and diseases. Receive technical certifications in First Aid/CPR/AED; NPA Certified Phlebotomist or other higher-level Healthcare certification.

Pharmacy Technicians learn the technical and knowledge base skills and work habits required for an entry-level position in the pharmacy field or other related areas. On successful completion of this course and graduation, you will have the opportunity to sit for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam (PTCE). This capstone course is designed for those students interested in pursuing a Pharmacy Tech certification Technical Certifications: First Aid/CPR/AED Certification; Pharmacy Technician Certification (PTCE); National Sterile Products IV Certification

Arts & Humanities Fine Arts

September 23, 2019

Pathway of the Week

Arts & Humanities Endorsement with a [Fine Arts Pathway](#). Students may earn the Arts & Humanities Endorsement by earning four credits in Fine Arts from one or two disciplines: Art, Dance, Music, Theater.

September 30, 2019

Pathway of the Week

Multidisciplinary Endorsement with a [Four by Four Pathway](#). Students may earn the Multidisciplinary Endorsement by earning 1 additional Social Studies credit beyond the three required credits.

STEM Science

October 7, 2019

Pathway of the Week

STEM Endorsement with a [Science Pathway](#). Students may earn a STEM Endorsement by completing Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and two additional science credits



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Stratford High School



STRATFORD HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS 2019-2020

Academy of Finance

Sponsors: Ms. Schaper & Ms. Jackson

This is a specialized program for juniors and seniors who are interested in a career in the financial services industry. Students apply for the Stratford AOF at the beginning of their junior year. Before high school graduation, the following courses are to be completed: Accounting I, Business Information Management (BIM), Money Matters, which are all one year classes. In addition, one class from the following selection is required: Accounting II, Banking and Financial Systems, Business Law, Dollars and Sense, Global Business or Principles of Business, Marketing and Finance. A key feature of the Academy of Finance is a supervised 160 hour paid or unpaid internship that enhances classroom learning. Typically, this internship is completed after the summer of the student's junior year or during their senior year. A certificate of Financial Studies will be awarded to each student upon successful completion of the courses and internship. During their senior year, students have an opportunity to visit the financial district in New York City.

Academy of Science and Engineering

Sponsors: Mr. Barrett & Mr. Avis

The Stratford Academy of Science and Engineering is a selective group of juniors and seniors who apply for the program their sophomore year. ASE encourages high levels of academic competence to students in the area of science through experiences in the high school science classroom and extended experiences in off-campus activities in the Houston community. Students enrolled in the Academy are required to complete a rigorous science and mathematics curriculum which includes AP level courses. In addition, Academy juniors participate in a lab class designed to expose them to careers in science and engineering. Field trips to local business and university research labs are preceded by related research and lab work on campus. Academy seniors are required to complete a Research and Design project. Small teams of students work with community mentors on projects that can be relevant to the current research issues in both industry and academia. Academy students also are expected to complete a minimum number of science-related service hours through tutoring, teacher assistance, or external volunteer work.

American Sign Language Club

Sponsor: Ms. Ramlal

The American Sign Language Club provides opportunities for ASL students to improve their skill level and create ties within the local Deaf Community. The ASL Club will host holiday parties and participate in volunteer activities that serve the Deaf Community. Join to learn, sign, and improve our community.

Band

Sponsors: Mr. Yancey & Mr. Perez

X-faQtor Dance Team

Sponsor: Mr. Blanton

The X-faQtor Dance Team is an exciting club of young males and females who will actively participate in athletic events and other community and school functions. The club is organized to develop and display musical, rhythmic and creative dance talents. The X-faQtor Dance Team is a dedicated team that is committed to hard work and perseverance. They not only demonstrate outstanding coordination, synchronization and versatility when performing, but also exercise their intellect by maintaining excellent grades and good conduct in school. The mission of the group is to bring together students of diverse backgrounds to work toward a common goal.

Yearbook (*Mnemosyne*)

Sponsor: Ms. Wolf

Members of the award-winning Stratford *Mnemosyne* staff create the school's yearbook each year. Students write and edit stories, headlines, and captions; take, develop, and print photos; sell and design ads; and use desktop publishing software to design all pages of the book. After completing the Journalism I or Photojournalism class, students can apply for a position on the yearbook staff. Staffers travel to statewide workshops and contests, may earn a letter jacket, and can win many staff and individual awards.

Yoga Club

Sponsor: Ms. Thompson

The Yoga Club is meant to help students release negative energy obtained throughout the week. Not only do we release negative energy but we promote positive energy. This is a safe place where you can let go of anything that has effected you emotionally, mentally, or physically.

Students Against Trafficking

Sponsor: Ms. Glover

Students Against Trafficking is an organization that raises awareness about the human trafficking epidemic in Houston. The club's goal is to host one awareness event and one fundraiser per school year.

Thespians

Sponsors: Ms. Prudhomme & Mr. Clayton

A nationally recognized organization, Thespians helps to promote the Stratford Playhouse and gets all of those who love theater together. Students must earn 10 points and work on 2 shows to be inducted (1 point = 100 hours). Various activities include secret Santa, progressive dinner, murder mystery, Oscar party, and kickoff party. Meetings once/month or as needed.

Tri-Theta (Senior Women)

Sponsor: Ms. Evans

The purpose of Tri-Theta is to support the teams at Stratford and to lift school spirit. The members make signs for players and for the halls to show enthusiasm for athletic endeavors. They also have a dance in the spring to celebrate their work. A \$45 fee pays for paint, t-shirt, and the spring formal. We will meet after school on Thursdays.

Vid Kids X

Sponsor: Ms. Jett

The purpose of Vid Kids X is for students to express their creativity through video games. We proudly reach out past the line of society and accept all race, lgbtq+, furries, gamers, ect. This is a no judgement zone for kids to play video games.

Water Polo

Sponsor: Mr. Hoskovec

Competitive water polo season is in the Spring, beginning the last Monday of February and finishing before the second Monday of May. Practices are at the SBISD Natatorium at 10404 Tiger Trail in the morning at 6:30. Swim Team recommended but not required. Must have some swimming ability to participate.

World Affairs Club

Sponsor: Ms. Chelala

We are a social club that meets every 2 weeks to discuss current world events. We have on campus access to the World Affairs Council of Houston events and speakers, including topics such as human trafficking, global poverty, refugees, and war. After one year of participation, active club members would be eligible to apply for a college scholarship granted by the Council.

Writer's Club

Sponsor: Mr. Nakadate

We are a place that serves anyone whether an aspiring novelist or a rookie writer, a chance to express themselves and have fun through fiction, storytelling, and creative writing.

Book Club

Sponsor: Ms. Fuller

The Stratford Book Club meets to discuss current fiction and more. We will meet authors, discuss books and decide as a group which books we want to read and discuss next. Students can join at any time during the year.

Bowl of Life Club

Sponsor: Ms. Jackson

Connect with groups throughout SHS such as Student Council, NHS, and other Volunteer based organizations to encourage and motivate students to volunteer. On planned dates at area food banks such as Houston Food Bank.

Business Professionals of America (BPA)

Sponsors: Ms. Jackson, Ms. Schaper, & Ms. Walker,

Are you interested in the area of business? If so, this is the club for you! Business Professionals of America (BPA) is open to all grade levels; the only requirement is for you to be enrolled at Stratford High School. Area, state, and national dues usually cost about \$30 year. You will be given the opportunity to compete in business and technology-related team and individual competitions and work on leadership skills. Membership in this group can be a benefit when applying for colleges.

Cheerleaders / J.V. Cheerleaders

Sponsors: Ms. Dixon & Ms. Jones

The cheerleaders promote school spirit and provide leadership to the students of Stratford. They cheer at games, plan pep rallies, and volunteer their help when needed. Our cheerleaders are not only role models, but also good-will ambassadors. All students are eligible to try out, providing they meet the academic criteria and are willing and able to spend their next year serving Stratford.

Chemistry Club

Sponsor: Mr. Barrett

Club for students who enjoy learning about chemistry.

Choir

Sponsors: Ms. Baker & Mr. Blanton

Color Guard

Sponsors: Mr. Yancey & Mr. Perez

Color guard is a class offered by the Stratford Band. You will learn how to spin a flag, rifle, and sabre while you incorporate movement and dance. The color guard performs with the Stratford Marching Band in the fall semester and competes in the Texas Color Guard Circuit in the spring semester. See the band directors for more information.

Comedy Sportz

Sponsor: Mr. Clayton

ComedySportz (CSz) is an improvisational comedy organization started in 1984 in Milwaukee, by a group of local comedians. The ComedySportz High School League is an outreach program of ComedySportz Houston where Teams of players from High Schools across the city compete with each other for Audience laughs. Teamwork, acceptance, and responsibility are taught. The Stratford High School League team is created from an audition, and performs throughout the year both at Stratford and surrounding schools.

Community in Schools Sponsor: Ms. Thompson

Computer Science Club Sponsor: Mr. Avis

To study and participate in computer science and events as well as aid for the AP exam.

Conservation of Environment & Restoration of Ecological Systems Club (CERES) Sponsor: Mrs. Salek

The purpose of this club is conservation of the environment through recycling And donating to animal wildlife centers. Students will collect hard to recycle Materials off to Terracycle to earn terrapoints. At the end of the year, these Points will turn into money that will be donated to wildlife centers and animal Shelters.

Dessert Club Sponsor: Mr. Reyes

If you love fantasy role playing games and hanging out with friends for hours, this

Dungeons and Dragons Club Sponsor: Ms. Turney

If you love fantasy role playing games and hanging out with friends for hours, this club is for you!! You and your friends tell a story together, guiding your heroes through quests for treasure, battles with deadly foes, daring rescues, courtly intrigue, and much more.

Empower a Child Sponsor: Mrs. Fain

The purpose of this group is to fund children and families living in extreme poverty in Uganda and Kenya. The club funds will go directly toward rebuilding communities and providing resources for students to excel academically. Our mission is to bring together a community and help those in need.

Engineering Design Club Sponsor: Mr. Foshee

The Engineering Design Club's purpose is to provide students with insight into numerous engineering fields. Our goal is to get students excited about engineering. We will have challenges, guest speakers, and a lot of fun!

Fashion Club Sponsor: Ms. Lucas

Our mission is to give Stratford students an opportunity to participate in something that they're passionate about while also incorporating philanthropy activities!

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Sponsor: Mr. Cozad

FCA meets every Wednesday before school at 7 am on the second floor right outside the library. After enjoying donuts and fellowship, we move into the library for a short devotional given by a student leader. The \$5 dues covers the cost of a t-shirt and breakfast each week.

Stratford High Advanced Robotics Club (SHARC) Sponsor: Mr. Barrett

We are a group of prospective engineers and entrepreneurs who enjoy working as a team on engineering projects and participate in FIRST. FIRST stands for 'For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology'. Teams form and compete each spring. Being a part of this team is a rewarding experience for anyone interested in math and science and its real world applications. This competition and others like it allow students hands-on engineering opportunities, experience working with a team, as well as the challenge of learning to communicate effectively with colleagues. Members are expected to attend weekly meetings, pay a fee of \$50, participate in Build and Contest, maintain a grade of 80 in core classes, and participate in fundraising.

Stratford Leadership Council Sponsors: Mr. Crowson, Ms. Yonkin & Ms. Jackson

The Council is comprised of a representative from each of Stratford's clubs and organizations. The council meets once each six weeks during Spartan Time to discuss everything going on in school.. Our goal is to unify our school, get more people involved, and increase communication.

Stratford Martial Arts Club (SMAC) Sponsor: Mr. Ache

Want to find out and learn different martial arts? Do you already know martial arts and want to exchange your talents? SMAC is a place where you can meet new friends, discover new passion, and learn and share martial arts. No experience necessary and karate, kung fu, mix martial arts, and tae kwondo —all welcome!

Stratford Oaks Sponsor: Mr. Barrett

Stratford Oaks oversees planting and maintaining the mighty oak trees surrounding the SHS campus, along with other beautification projects. We meet the last Wednesday of every month.

Stratford Ultimate Frisbee Club Sponsor: Mr. Huntsman

The purpose of the Ultimate Frisbee Club is to provide a fun activity for students and to enjoy some competition.

Student Council Sponsors: Ms.. Jackson & Ms. Yonkin

Student Council is a service organization providing service and leadership to Stratford. Each grade elects approximately 20 representatives in late April or early May for the following year. Freshmen will elect their representatives after the first six weeks of school. Certain requirements must be met to run. These are listed under leadership in the Student Handbook. Once the representatives are elected, officers are chosen from these students. The Executive Board is chosen by the entire school and are members of the senior class. Meetings are held every two weeks on Wednesday mornings.

Spartan Art Club

Sponsor: Ms. Dikdan

The Spartan Art Club's mission is to further the creative abilities and talents of its members as well as bringing art and aesthetic awareness to the attention of the school and community. All curious and creative minds of any skill level are welcome to join!

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Spartan Buddies

Sponsors: Ms. Jones & Ms. Walker

Dedicated to establishing a school-wide volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, leadership development, and an inclusive environment for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Spartanaire Dance Team

Sponsors: Ms. Willms & Ms. Vinyard

Spartie Belles

Sponsor: Mr. Schwartz

Our mission is to provide school spirit and a special surprise to varsity teams for big games! We want to expand on Stratford America's Core and show the boys how much they mean to our school. This club is open to Senior girls who have school spirit!

Spike Ball Club

Sponsor: Mr. Cusimano

Play Spike Ball on a competitive level and have fun!

Step Up Stratford

Sponsor: Ms. Jones

Step Up Stratford is a subsidiary of Step Up Houston, a non-profit organization that focuses on helping the homeless and guiding them towards a better life. The purpose of Step Up Stratford is to volunteer our time to help the homeless, especially the homeless youth. We want to make a difference in others' lives and offer them hope to continue moving forward.

Stratford Eats

Sponsor: Ms. Hollister

Engage with friends while experiencing good food right here in our community. Then serve back to the community by volunteering once a month at the Houston Food Bank. A balance of fun and service centered around an essential for life: Food!

Food For Thought

Sponsor: Mr. Kent

Join Food For Thought! We will meet once every 6 weeks to make care packages and deliver them to those in need in our community. Come and join a great cause!

French Club

Sponsor: Ms. Mason

French club hopes to unite all to spread French and Francophone (other French speaking countries) culture. From macarons to art museums, it has tons of opportunities and activities to experience << le Francais >> Enhance your understanding and celebrate with new-found friends.

Freshmen Girls

Sponsors: Ms. Hulshizer & Ms. Suerth

Our purpose is to show school spirit and support the football players! Also, for freshmen girls to meet each other and get together.

Future Doctors of America (FDA)

Sponsor: Ms. Yonkin

This club focuses on medicine and educating students about medical occupations through hands-on learning. We will offer speakers, dissection, familiarization with medical terminology, study of and ability to diagnose common illnesses, practicing general sutures and medical techniques, first aid basics and knowledge of CPR.

Future Lawyers of the World

Sponsor: Ms. McHale

This group is for those students interested in a career in the legal field.

Future Scientists & Engineers of America (FSEA)

Sponsor: Mr. Barrett

The purpose of this club is to guide students interested in the engineering field where students can share common interests, do projects together, and have established professionals from the field share their experiences with the group.

Gay Straight Alliance

Sponsor: Ms. Fuller

This purpose of this group is to create a safe place for LGBT teens and their straight allies to support one another, socialize, and create a platform to fight for racial, gender, LGBTQ, and economic justice as well as stay informed.

Glee Club

Sponsor: Ms. Arrington

Our mission is to bring Spartans together who have a love and passion for music. In Glee Club, we will explore all genres of music and perform around Houston. We'll meet Wednesdays after school for rehearsals from 3:15 to 4:30.

Good Sportsmanship League (GSL)

Sponsor: Ms. Jackson

This organization represents Stratford at athletic events throughout the school year. Students attend and announce information at varsity football, volleyball, and basketball games. Five junior and five senior students are placed on the team each year, based upon recommendations from teachers and administrative staff. Interested students may contact the sponsors if they wish to be considered.

Guitar Club

Sponsor: Mr. Prince

This club is for people who want to share their love for playing and composing music.

**Health Science
Students Association (HOSA)**

Sponsor: Ms. B. Martinez

The mission of HOSA is to enhance the delivery of compassionate, quality health care by providing opportunities for knowledge, skill and leadership development of all health science technology education students, therefore, helping students to meet the needs of the health care community. Student involvement is through the classes of Principles of Health Science (year one) and Health Science, (year two).

Helping Hands

Sponsor: Mr. Poetzel

To raise funds for the kids in Colombia by selling shirts and also to help the kids in our community by tutoring them twice a month and playing with them.

Homework Helpers

Sponsor: Mr. Knapik

To help students with their homework if they don't understand it, or to have a place for students who don't have a place to study or do their homework. We can also tutor kids.

Hope United

Sponsor: Ms. Jett

This club will be a branch off a volunteer organization that focuses on coming together to help kids in need. During club meetings we may spend some time writing letters to kids that will then be delivered, brainstorming different ways to help kids, practicing/experimenting with possible art therapy techniques, raising awareness and much more. We will have a Remind and will also be announcing upcoming volunteer opportunities with our organization—details will vary by event. We volunteered at the Ronald McDonald house just last month and plan on other opportunities soon. We hope that you'll come be a part of our organization—volunteers will also be giving volunteer hours on a regular basis for time committed.

The Investments Club

Sponsor: Ms. Schaper

Learn how investing works in real life by participating in a simulator competing against other high school students in Houston.

Junior Girls

Sponsors: Ms. Bolen & Ms. Slattery

Junior girls who come together to promote school spirit. You pay dues once a year and receive a club t-shirt to wear on spirit day. Girls paint banners and support grade level sports and activities.

Orchestra

Sponsors: Mr. Fahey & Mr. Altamirano

The Orchestra is actually comprised of three separate performing ensembles that meet as separate classes: Symphony, Philharmonic, and Cello Choir. Membership is by audition, but we have a place for anyone who plays one of the following stringed instruments: violin, viola, cello, bass. We also can accept two pianists and two harpists each year. At the current time, there are no beginner classes offered; students must have had at least one year of instruction on their instrument. The Orchestra Officers plan monthly social activities as well as service and performance opportunities outside the regular concert schedule. One of the high points of the year is our annual performance tour.

Persian Culture Club

Sponsor: Mr. Hall

The Persian Culture Club is a secular club focused on examining ancient society, playing games, watching Persian movies, and enjoying Persian cuisine.

Physics Club

Sponsor: Mr. Mesler

Our club mission is to promote interest in physics through creative science activities and field trips. We aim to provide a fun learning environment for those who enjoy learning about physics. We meet on Wednesday afternoons in room 338.

Project NICE

Sponsor: Ms. Sorsby

Our goal is to promote a sense of community within the school by encouraging positive interactions among all students and adults. We achieve this by doing "random acts of kindness" which create a chain reaction of positive energy. We also help transfer students feel welcome as new members of the Stratford community. We meet on B-Day Wednesday afternoons in room 108.

Red Cross Club

Sponsor: Mr. Schwartz

We give members a way to put talent, skills and passion to work for a greater purpose. Members work closely with Greater Houston Chapter of the Red Cross, engaging in projects that will help members improve and build critical skills while helping the community. Membership fee of \$15 includes T-shirt price.

SAP Support Groups

Sponsor: Counselors

The Student Assistance Program (SAP) is a voluntary school-based program that includes a systematic effort to educate, identify, assess, prepare, and support students with problems such as stress management, family difficulties, drug/alcohol problems, and conflict management, which may interfere with a student's education and life development. Students meet each Thursday during Spartan Time in small groups and discuss a variety of issues.

Sophomore Girls

Sponsors: Ms. Baker & Ms. Johnson

This is a sophomore girl spirit group.

Muslim Students Association Club

Sponsor: Mr. Fuller

Our purpose is to make every Muslim student, or anyone else who wants to join, feel like they can belong somewhere. We would like to educate more people about the culture of Islam.

National Honor Society (NHS)

Sponsors: Ms. Parizot & Ms. Russo

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school level students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since their beginnings in 1921 and 1929. Seniors who have met the GPA standard and faculty recommendation process are qualified for NHS induction.

NHS Science Club

Sponsor: Ms. Gaiser

National Speech and Debate Association (NSDA)

Sponsor: Mr. Yu

Do you like to argue? Are you competitive? Do you need college scholarships (i.e., free money)? Are you interested in U.S./World affairs? How about law school? Would you like to improve your speaking skills? Do you like meeting new & interesting people? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then Debate is the activity for you! Speech and Debate is open to all grade levels. Students will have the opportunity to debate against other schools at regional and national tournaments. Students will also be allowed to join the National Forensics League and earn points toward advanced degrees. This is a great resume builder and an activity that will enhance your scholastic abilities in all other areas including English, Math, Reading, Social Studies.

Newspaper: The Oracle

Sponsor: Mrs. Cummons

The Oracle is a student-produced newspaper coming out every 3 weeks. Students may apply to be on staff after completion of Journalism I, Photojournalism, or Art II Photography. Students on staff write, design, photograph, and record all the events in and around school. Over the years, the staff has gone to both state and national journalism conferences, garnering several major awards along the way. Students on staff may earn a letter jacket and they may work on the print or the online side of the publication.

One World Club

Sponsors: Ms. Hammond & Mr. Knapik

The One World Club is a group to build connections between our American students and Refugee students here at Stratford. We will have a fun time talking, playing games, making art, eating food, and going to different events throughout the school year. It will be a time to learn from each other and grow in our differences. There are volunteer and learning opportunities through homework help after school, as well as community building activities. Come make some friends and learn about the many cultures we have here at Stratford High School!

Key Club

Sponsor: Mr. Huntsman

Key Club is an internationally known service organization that is entirely student led. Members perform acts of service such as cleaning up beaches, tutoring, or fundraising for UNICEF. They also learn leadership skills by running meetings, planning projects, and holding elected leadership positions at the club, district, and national levels.

Lacrosse Club—Boys & Girls

Sponsor: Mr. Elmore

Link Crew

Sponsors: Ms. Fain & Ms. Parizot

Link Crew is an organization where seniors and juniors help freshman transition to high school. It is a great way to give back to your school, and it is bunches of fun! Mentor Link Crew students must apply and be accepted in the spring.

Making a Change

Sponsors: Mr. Blaze & Mr. Retana

There's no power for change greater than a community coming together. Have a heart and stand out to make a change and a difference. Your change can make a difference.

Math Honors Society

Sponsors: Mr. Marquez & Mr. Nguyen

To spread the joy of mathematics and expand beyond the school curriculum.

Math Tutoring Club

Sponsor: Mr. Karcher

We will help students who are stressed with Math, help them to solve and explain the problem (or how to use a calculator). If needed, I will bring examples of questions for them to practice. The students can do their homework or talk with their friends and sometimes snacks will be provided. This is a peer tutoring Math club.

Minecraft Club

Sponsor: Mr. Yancey

To provide a fun way to gain insight to team building, architecture, and gaming.

Mode Club

Sponsor: Ms. Schaper

Watch Fashion shows, find out about events in the Houston area, study trends, and consult ideas.

Music Appreciation Club

Sponsor: Ms. Mennes

Our mission is to play, listen to, analyze, and appreciate the music of the past and today in order to gain a better understanding of the culture surrounding music in our lives.