

# Memorial High School

## New Parent Orientation



# The Spring Branch Way



• **EVERY CHILD** • **COLLECTIVE GREATNESS** • **COLLABORATIVE SPIRIT**  
• **LIMITLESS CURIOSITY** • **MORAL COMPASS**

# 6 Core Characteristics



**Academically Prepared**



**Ethical & Service-minded**



**Empathetic & Self-aware**



**Persistent & Adaptable**




**Resourceful Problem-solver**



**Communicator & Collaborator**



# The Mustang Way



**MORALITY** IS THE HUMAN ATTEMPT TO DEFINE WHAT IS RIGHT AND WRONG ABOUT OUR ACTIONS AND THOUGHTS. **UNDERSTANDING** IS THE ABILITY TO BE SYMPATHETICALLY AWARE OF OTHER PEOPLE'S FEELINGS AND RESPOND WITH TOLERANCE AND FORGIVENESS. **SPIRIT** IS THE SENSE OF IDENTITY, COMMUNITY, AND ENTHUSIASM SHARED BY MEMBERS OF A COMMUNITY. **TRUTH** REFERS TO A FACET OF MORAL CHARACTER AND ENCOURAGES INTEGRITY AND HONESTY IN ALL SITUATIONS. **APPRECIATION** IS THE ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORTH, QUALITY, OR IMPORTANCE OF SOMETHING OR SOMEONE. **NOTEWORTHINESS** REFERS TO THE PRIDE AND HUMILITY ASSOCIATED WITH BEING RECOGNIZED AS INTERESTING. **GRIT** IS PERSISTENCE TOWARD A PURPOSE OR ACTION THAT YOU HAVE DECIDED TO EMBARK UPON IN THE FACE OF ALL SORTS OF DIFFICULTIES. **SELF-RESPECT** IS MAKING CHOICES THAT ALLOW YOU TO FEEL YOUR BEST AND REPRESENT YOUR BEST SELF.

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**LOVE**  
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**“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that”**

*Martin Luther King*



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# Wellness Center

- Located in the new building in room M-205
- Provide students in crisis with interventions that alleviate emotional and behavioral challenges, enhance coping skills, improve student emotional and physical health, and in turn, scholastic achievement
- Interventions target conflict in the home, grief and loss, developmental concerns, Identity issues, verbal or physical aggression, anxiety, withdrawal, suspected drug/alcohol use, and unusual behavior.
- Children in need of these counseling services are identified by referrals from school principals and teachers, and parents.
- Please click the logo below to access the MHS CIS webpage!



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## Registration/Attendance

<b>Mary Crane</b>	Registrar	Ext. 2504	<a href="mailto:Mary.Crane@springbranchisd.com">Mary.Crane@springbranchisd.com</a>
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# PTA

- President – Meg Bissinger
- Click [here](#) for the PTA website
- Horseshoe Fund
- The Mustang Express
- Student Directory
- Provides numerous volunteer opportunities in the school
- First PTA Meeting – September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Memorial Church of Christ (across the street from MHS)



# Booster Club

- Bill and Mickie Strait– Presidents
- Website: [Booster Club](#)
- Freshman and New Families Coffee –  
August 30<sup>th</sup> – 554 Lanecrest
- Roadhouse Auction – October 14<sup>th</sup>  
at The Forest Club



# Communication

- Skyward Family Access
- Twitter @MHShouston
- [My School Bucks](#)
- PTA weekly email newsletter “The Mustang Express”
- School website <http://mhs.springbranchisd.com/>
- Campus Events calendar
- Open House – September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM





# Bell Schedule

## REGULAR SCHEDULE

1<sup>st</sup> 7:45 – 8:34 AM

2<sup>nd</sup> 8:40 – 9:29 AM

3<sup>rd</sup> 9:35 – 10:24 AM

4<sup>th</sup> 10:30 – 11:19 AM

5<sup>th</sup> 11:25 – 12:14 PM

6<sup>th</sup> 12:20 – 1:09 PM

7<sup>th</sup> 1:15 – 2:04 PM

8<sup>th</sup> 2:10 – 3:00 PM

# Mustang Cafe

- Hub of the School
- Student Center/Commons
- Lunch is the same length as a class period
- Lunch is during periods 5 and 6
- Study, collaborate, see your counselor, go to the library
- [Lunch vendors](#)



# Pep Rally Days

## PEP RALLY SCHEDULE

8/25, 9/30, 10/26, 11/4, 1/13

1 <sup>st</sup>	7:45 – 8:29 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup>	8:35 – 9:19 AM
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:25 – 10:09 AM
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4 <sup>th</sup>	10:55 – 11:39 AM
5 <sup>th</sup>	11:45 – 12:29 PM
6 <sup>th</sup>	12:35 – 1:19 PM
7 <sup>th</sup>	1:25 – 2:09 PM
8 <sup>th</sup>	2:15 – 3:00 PM

Date	Theme
Aug 25	Super Hero
Sept 30	Homecoming (Safari)
Oct 26	Red Out (Night Time)
Nov 4	Out of this World (Space)
Jan 13	Rock n Roll

# Advisory Days

## ADVISORY SCHEDULE

1 <sup>st</sup>	7:45 – 8:29 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup>	8:35 – 9:19 AM
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:25 – 10:09 AM
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- Assist students in monitoring their own academic progress
- Encourage students' academic, personal, and social development
- Provide guidance in post-secondary planning
- Communicate with parents / guardians of students
- Provide an advocate for every student
- Guest Speakers
- Advisory Lessons



# Late Arrival Days

## LATE ARRIVAL SCHEDULE

9/21, 11/2, 2/8, 3/29

1<sup>st</sup> 9:45 – 10:19 AM

2<sup>nd</sup> 10:25 – 10:59 AM

3<sup>rd</sup> 11:05 – 11:39 AM

4<sup>th</sup> 11:45 – 12:19 PM

5<sup>th</sup> 12:25 – 12:59 PM

6<sup>th</sup> 1:05 – 1:39 PM

7<sup>th</sup> 1:45 – 2:19 PM

8<sup>th</sup> 2:25 – 3:00 PM

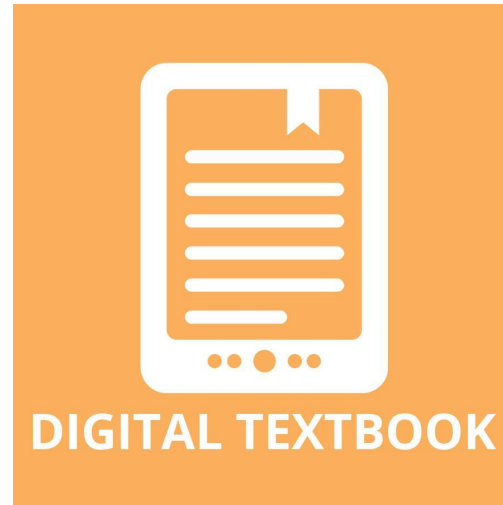
- September 21
- November 2
- February 8
- March 29

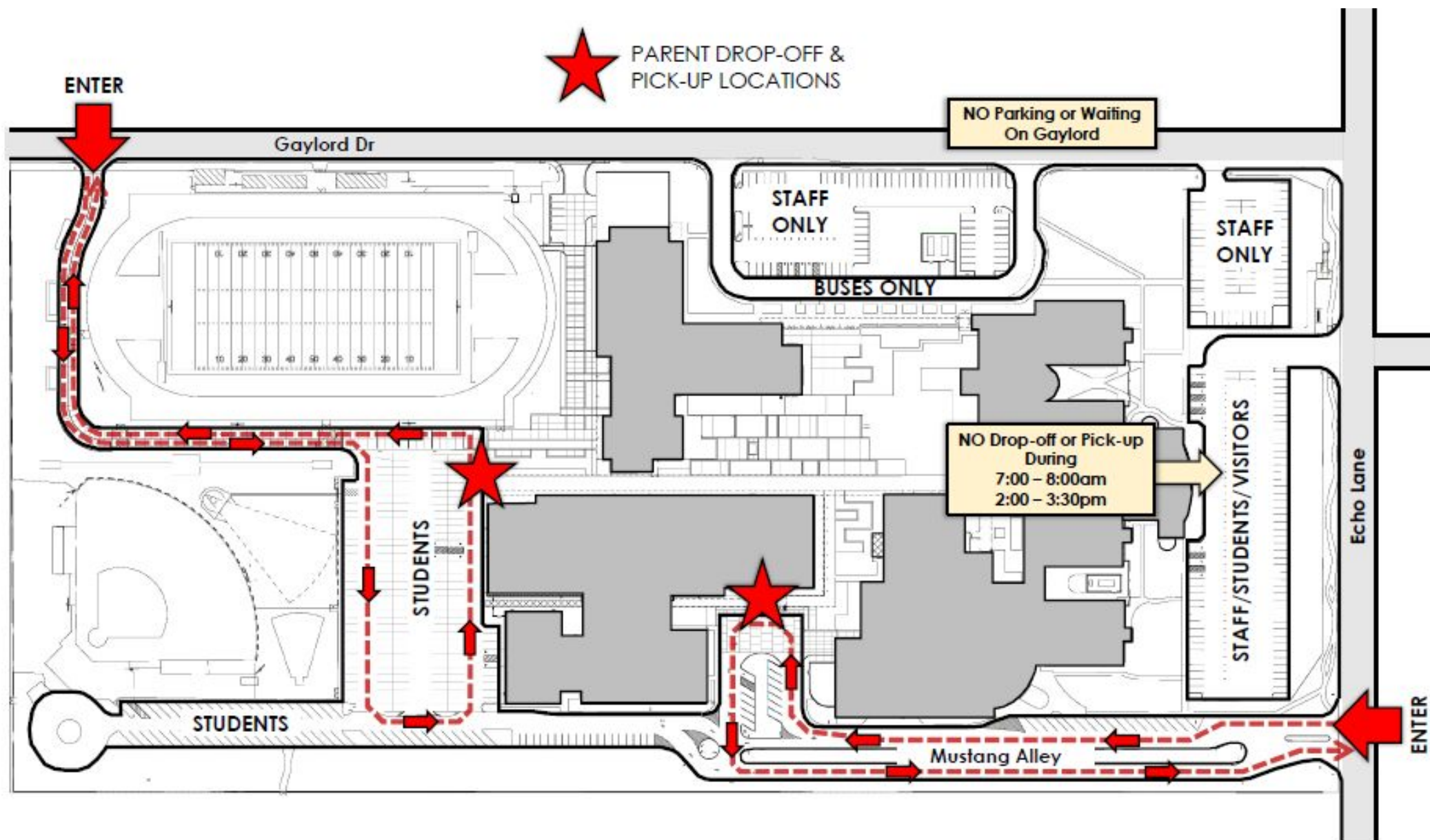
# Grading Periods

1 <sup>st</sup> 9 weeks	2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks	3 <sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks	4 <sup>th</sup> 9 weeks
Progress Report September 2	Progress Report October 28	Progress Report January 23	Progress Report April 6
Progress Report September 23	Progress Report November 18	Progress Report February 13	Progress Report April 28
Report Card October 6	Report Card December 16	Report Card March 10	Report Card May 25



# Learning Tools









# Questions?