



2024-2025
Elementary
Special Opportunity School (SOS)
 District Alternative Education Program, Grades 1-6
 817-399-3555

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Special Opportunity School Program Hours:
7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Doors open at 7:30 a.m.

Located on the campus of Stonegate Elementary
 900 Bedford Road East, Bedford, Texas 76022

**Drop off at the DAEP Student Entrance & Parent Pickup on the North end of the building, near the playground.*

To be completed by home campus:
 Parent/Student Intake Conference at DAEP :
 Date: _____ Time: _____ Days Assigned: _____
 Google Meet Code: _____

The mission of Elementary DAEP is to coach students in improving social-emotional skills and practice behaviors in order to reduce the barriers to academic success and support a successful transition back to home campus.

Special Opportunity School Program Description

SOS is designed to help students reach their full potential by providing a consistent and highly structured alternative instructional environment that includes social skill instruction and frequent behavior feedback. The terms of the SOS disciplinary assignment are determined at the DAEP Placement Conference attended by the student, parent/guardian, home campus administration, and the Coordinator of DAEP. Students must successfully complete the placement prior to returning to their home campus.

With the exception of the DAEP campus (during school hours), a student assigned to SOS shall *not* be allowed on other District properties or where school-sponsored or school-related activities are taking place. A student placed in a disciplinary alternative program is prohibited from attending or participating in school-sponsored or school-related activities.

Coordination and communication between the home campus and DAEP staff supports a successful transition to and from SOS. Classes are limited in size and designed to meet the needs of students in grades 1-6. A full time teacher and assistant are assigned to the classroom. Individual and group counseling sessions are provided for the student during the SOS enrollment period. Academic instruction will follow the same curriculum and timeline as provided at the home campus. Grades are assigned by the SOS teacher.

Students must comply with search and seizure procedures in order to protect the safety of students and school personnel and to enforce the Drug and Weapons Free Zone Laws.

Transportation is provided by the District. Bus service may be arranged during the Intake Conference. All students must adhere to transportation guidelines. Bus transportation arrangements may take up to 5 days to begin.

Parent Responsibilities

- Accompany the student for the enrollment Intake Meeting on the first day of the assignment.
- Ensure regular attendance of the student and inform the DAEP Office of student absences by 8:30 am on the day of the absence. A note must be sent the next day (truancy laws are strictly enforced).
- Provide all required school supplies and materials.
- Maintain a positive working relationship with teachers and administrators.
- Review and support SOS rules and procedures.
- Provide a daily discussion time with the student concerning behavior choices and activities of the day.
- Ensure the student is on time for bus pickup each morning, and call the bus office (817-399-2450) by 6:30 am on any day bus service will NOT be needed. Phone messages can be left before/after school hours.

Special Opportunity School Dress Code

Students must comply with the District dress code as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and the DAEP dress code. Students will be checked daily for dress code violations. Students who violate the District and/or DAEP dress code (if the violation cannot be corrected at the door) will not be allowed to attend class until in compliance with the dress code. Students may be:

- loaned a T-shirt and/or sweat pants for the school day
- issued a belt to hold pants at natural waist level

Certain apparel, accessories, and hair grooming may distract/endorse the safety and/or welfare of others. In order to minimize class disruptions while promoting an atmosphere conducive to learning, the Alternative Education Program dress code includes the following additional requirements:

- All clothing and accessories must be free of any logo, decoration, symbol, picture, or letters that depict drugs, tobacco, alcohol, violence, weapons, gangs or any other lettering or saying which could be considered offensive, obscene, distracting, or disruptive.
- Shirts must have sleeves and must be tucked in so that the torso is covered and the waist is defined at all times. Shirts must be tucked in upon entering the building and remain tucked until the student is off school property. No tank tops or oversized shirts/tops shall be allowed.
- Students may bring a sweatshirt or light sweater to wear over an appropriate shirt at the discretion of DAEP staff. Hoods or any apparel (hats, caps, bandanas, etc.) may not be worn on the head.
- Pants or shorts must be worn at the natural waist (sagging will not be permitted). Torn, cut or slashed pants are considered inappropriate.
- Students must wear tennis shoes or athletic shoes that have a sole less than 1" in height, tie with laces off the ground or have Velcro straps, close around the entire foot, and do not have wheels. Sandals, flip-flops, boots, and other non-athletic shoes are not permitted.
- No jewelry (including wallets, chains, and watches) or any body piercing jewelry is allowed. Any jewelry worn to AEP will be confiscated and returned to a parent/guardian at the end of the program assignment.
- No backpacks are allowed in the building.
- Personal electronic devices, including headphones, are not allowed. Cell-phones must be labeled with the student's name and will be collected at check-in and returned at the end of the school day. School personnel are not responsible for the loss or damage of collected/confiscated items.
- Any article of clothing (including accessories) or grooming/hairstyles the administrator/designee determines to be inappropriate or could reasonably be expected to cause a disruption, safety concern, or interfere with normal school operations will not be permitted.