



# ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



## Important Dates

**December 19 – Early Release 12:20**  
**BISD Offices Closed 12/22 – 1/5**  
**Staff Returns 1/6**  
**Students Return 1/12**  
**MLK Holiday 1/19**

**Enjoy your winter break! We can't wait to see everyone in January.**

## Graduates

Boerne Academy has had

**11** 

students graduate this year!



**G.R.A.D. Program Donations!**  
**Scan this QR code for RevTrak donations or complete the form on page four and return to the front office.**

Dear Parents and Guardians,  
We understand that teenagers often get hungry throughout the day, and we want to ensure our students stay focused and energized. Several of our staff members have generously been providing snacks, but we cannot continue to rely on them to do this.

If you are able, please consider donating to our G.R.A.D. program or sending in snacks to help keep our students fueled and ready to learn. Your contribution—big or small—makes a meaningful difference. Thank you for your continued support!

## Important Contact Information

**Assistant Principal: Kimberly Simmons**  
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830-357-2128 or 830-357-3904

**Counselor: Jennifer Howell**  
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**Academy Receptionist: Irma Saldana**  
Irma.saldana@boerneisd.net  
830-357-2126

## Attendance Notes

- \*Please schedule appointments at the start or end of the day.
- \*Always submit notes for any absences upon your return to the Academy.
- \*Call 830-357-2126 or email Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Saldana to report absences prior to 8:30 am.
- \*Please note there is a 90% attendance rule in Texas. If a student has 3 or more unexcused absences, days or parts of days within a 4-week period or 10 or more days or parts of days within a six-month period, they are considered truant.**



# Holiday vibes!



**The 18+ Program hosted a fun-filled Cookies and Cocoa Party for the Academy, complete with tasty treats and creative arts and crafts.**



# Academy Teachers



## Math

Mr. Gabriel Correa  
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830-357-2148  
Conference period: 4th

Mr. Correa has been teaching math at Boerne Academy since 2018. He came to Boerne ISD from Hawai'i where he was a math teacher at Waipahu High School. As an Air Force brat, he has lived all over the world, including Germany, Japan, Hawai'i, and Florida. Mr. Correa enjoys teaching math at the Academy because students can work at their own pace. The best way to contact Mr. Correa is through email or through Edgenuity. Please allow up to 24 hours for a response on regular school days and up to 48 hours on weekends and holidays.

## English

Mrs. Kyersten Karbowski  
kyersten.karbowski@boerneisd.net  
830-357-2143  
Conference period: 8th

Kyersten Karbowski has taught English at Boerne Academy for the past three years. Prior to that, she served as the ELA Interventionist at both Boerne Academy and Champion High School. She graduated from UTSA with a Bachelor of Arts in English and previously taught in Northside ISD. Mrs. Karbowski has lived in Boerne for 19 years.

## Social Studies

Mr. Ricardo Alamillo  
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830-357-2145  
Conference period: 4th

Mr. Alamillo begins his eleventh year teaching Social Studies classes at The Boerne Academy. This will be his twenty-ninth year as a teacher and twenty-first with Boerne ISD. He also coaches the pole vaulters for Champion High School. Please contact Mr. Alamillo through school email and allow up to 24 hours for a response on regular school days and up to 48 hours on weekends and holidays. Please leave a message and he will respond during his planning period or at the end of the school day. Subjects: World Geography, World History, U.S. History, U.S. Government and Economics/Free Enterprise

## Science

Mr. Isaac Davis  
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830-357-2188  
Conference period: 4th

Isaac Davis has worked in education for 14 years, the last 7 years in Boerne ISD. Mr. Davis received his B.S. in Biology from the University of Texas Pan-American (now UTRGV) in South Texas and spent 6 years teaching at schools in that area. Time spent teaching students with both learning disabilities and language issues helped shape his belief that while the content of a science class can be difficult for some, with the right teaching approach any student can benefit and draw important lessons from time spent in that area. Now that he has transitioned to teaching Science at the Boerne Academy, he hopes to make a difference by assisting and guiding students to gain the mastery they need to meet their individualized education goals.

## Spanish/Electives

Mrs. Ingrid Pagán  
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830-357-2152  
Conference period: 8th

Señora Pagan brings more than 15 years of teaching experience to the Boerne Academy. She earned her B.S. in Business Administration/Business Education at Lee University in Cleveland, TN and her master's in Information Technology at UMUC. She is a dedicated Spanish educator with experience teaching at all levels. Her expertise encompasses teaching Dual Language and working as a Migrant Educator where she has consistently demonstrated a commitment to fostering inclusive and supportive learning environments. She enjoys teaching the Spanish language and culture.

## Special Programs

Ms. Anna Correa  
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830-357-2132  
Conference period: 4th

Ms. Correa has been teaching since 2010. She has taught in Hawai'i, Nevada and participated in the AmeriCorps program while living in Florida. In 2018, she made Texas her home and started teaching in Boerne ISD. She has a master's in education and a bachelor's in history. She enjoys reading, spending time with her pets, and visiting various Texas museums. The best way to contact Ms. Correa is by school email. Please allow up to 24 hours for a response on regular school days, up to 48 hours for weekends, and holidays pending day of return.



Boerne Academy is excited to introduce the

**G.R.A.D. Program**

**Goals Reached, Achievement Delivered**

The **G.R.A.D.** Program is a direct giving initiative designed to support and enhance the success of our students and staff. Your donation will help fund:

- Student Award Celebrations
- STAAR Snacks Student
- Academic Support
- Teacher Initiatives

Every donation directly benefits the Boerne Academy & Alternative Center students and staff. To contribute, please complete this form and return it to the front office with cash or a check (made payable to BISD), or scan the RevTrak QR code below.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Gift: \_\_\_\_\_ Method of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_



# Family Support for Imagine Edgenuity

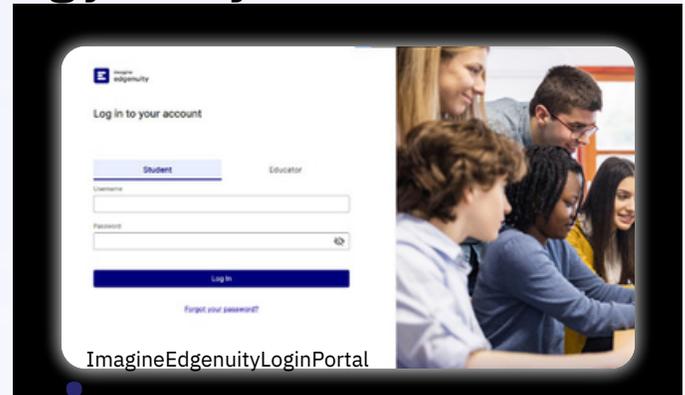


## Be a part of your student's learning journey

### GET STARTED!

Help your student log in to [Imagine Edgenuity here](#)\* with the username and password provided by their school.

Now you're ready to make the most of the following tips for supporting your student and tracking their progress in Imagine Edgenuity.



### MONITOR STUDENT PROGRESS IN THE FAMILY PORTAL

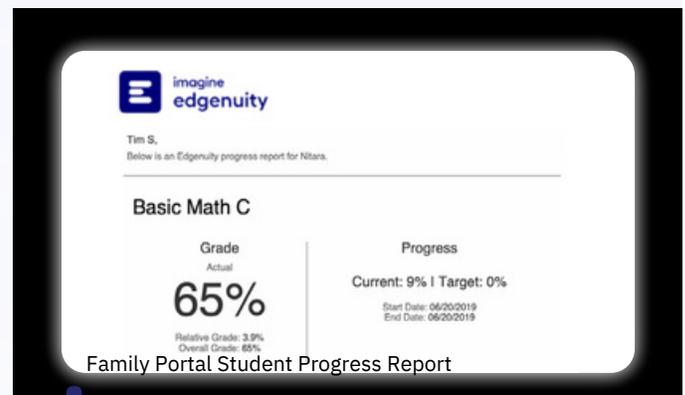
Ask the school to add you to the family portal of your student's account if it hasn't already. Once you receive an email confirmation and activation code, follow [these steps](#)\*\* to log in. Contact your student's teacher if you have questions.

### INSIDE THE FAMILY PORTAL

The family portal allows you to track your student's work using the attendance log and progress report.

The **attendance log** will tell you when your student logged in, how much time they spend in their course, and whether your student has been active or idle.

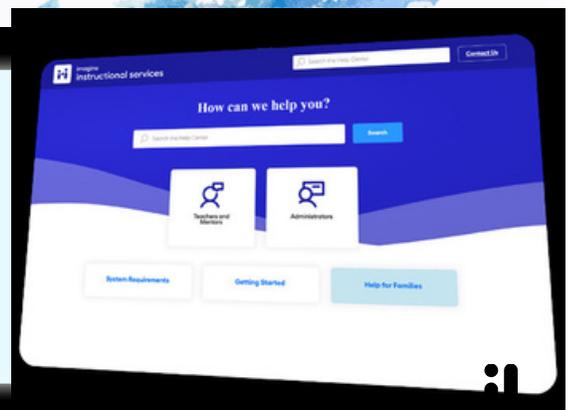
The **progress report** shows you the course name, target dates, grades, and scores. Color-coded squares show where your student is on track, ahead of schedule, or needs to catch up.



## Need more family support?

Visit the Help Center for guides on logging in and using the family portal, plus tips for helping your student succeed.

[Visit the Help Center](#)



\* <https://auth.edgenuity.com/Login/Login/Student>

\*\* <https://help.imagineedgenuity.com/hc/en-us/articles/360042912494>

# Help your student maximize their potential

## Stay connected to your student's teacher

Regularly checking in with your student's teacher can help keep your student on track and moving forward in Imagine Edgenuity — let the teacher know if you'd like daily, weekly, or monthly progress reports via email. We also recommend reviewing your student's scores and participation levels with their teacher, plus any areas where your student is ahead of schedule or needs more support.

### How to help your student thrive in their learning

At-home support and encouragement are valuable. Try these tips to help your student be an active, engaged learner:

- Choose a comfortable, distraction-free space as a work area for your student
- Create a plan, such as 'focus time' and 'break time,' to help them connect and succeed
- Make sure your student has Wi-Fi and a charged device, such as a laptop, tablet, or Chromebook
- Show interest in what your student is learning about with questions like, "What did your learning focus on today?" or "What questions do you have about the lesson?"



## Designed to deliver learning

A California case study showed that 81% of Imagine Edgenuity students earned a score of 3 or higher on their Advanced Placement® tests. In New Mexico, 11th-grade students using the program did better than their peers on science, reading, and mathematics assessments by 39% or more.

Imagine Edgenuity is designed to challenge and inspire your student. The instruction is standards based, with powerful interactive tools and fun multimedia and real-world exercises to help students build knowledge and skills.



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## More learners, nationwide

Imagine Learning's programs provide quality curricula you can trust



**5 million**  
students served



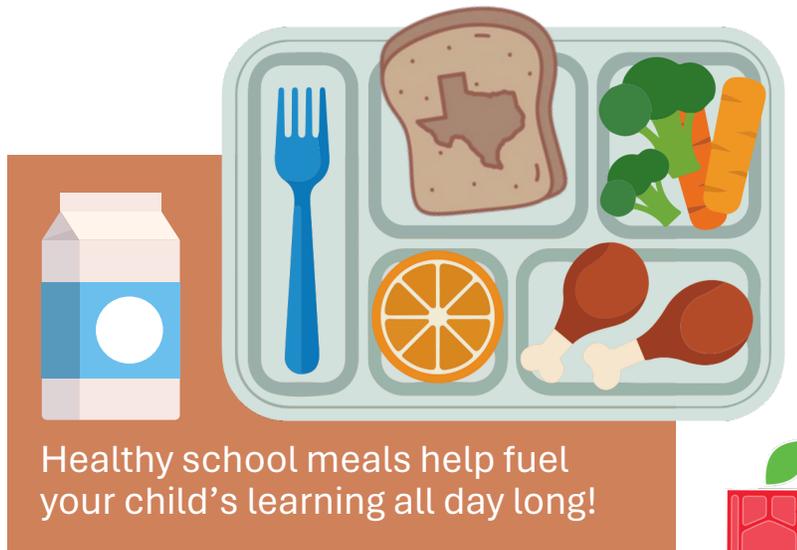
**20,000**  
American schools across the top 25 districts

Parents and Guardians

# MORE STUDENTS CAN ENJOY FREE SCHOOL MEALS!

Now more kids in Texas can enjoy healthy school meals at no cost.

- In the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years, students who qualify for reduced-price meals will receive breakfast and lunch at **no cost**.
- Please contact your school to learn more and how to apply for school meal benefits.



Healthy school meals help fuel your child's learning all day long!



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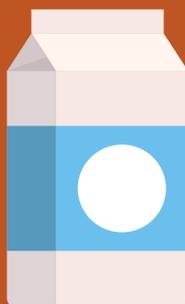
  
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Padres y tutores

# ¡MÁS ESTUDIANTES PUEDEN DISFRUTAR DE COMIDAS ESCOLARES GRATUITAS!

Ahora, más niños en Texas pueden disfrutar de comidas escolares saludables sin costo.

- En los años escolares 2025-2026 y 2026-2027, los estudiantes que califiquen para comidas a precio reducido recibirán desayuno y almuerzo **sin costo**.
- Comuníquese con su escuela para obtener más información y saber cómo presentar una solicitud para recibir beneficios de comidas escolares.



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¡Las comidas escolares saludables ayudan a estimular el aprendizaje de su hijo durante todo el día!

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