ISSUE #1

AMY COLEMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 2026

THE COUNSELOR'S CORRAL NEWSLETTER

GUIDING COWBOYS TOWARD SUCCESS

IN THIS ISSUE

Learn about upcoming counseling events, services, SEL learning topics, academic resources, and important reminders designed to support our students and families throughout the school year:

- Important Dates
- SEL Focus of the Month
- Welcome Back to School
- Meet the Counseling Team
- Schedule Correction Information



IMPORTANT DATES

- **August 11, 2026** - First Day of School
- **August 20, 2026 at 11:59pm** - Schedule Correction request deadline. Requests musr be submitted using the grade level link emailed to families.
- **September 7, 2026** - Labor Day Holiday; NO SCHOOL
- **September 25, 2026** - Professional Learning Day; NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

AUGUST SEL FOCUS OF THE MONTH

As students transition into a new school year, our August Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) focus is on coping skills. Students will learn healthy strategies for managing stress, adjusting to new situations, and responding positively to challenges they may encounter at school and in their daily lives. Families can support this learning by encouraging open conversations about emotions and helping students practice positive coping techniques such as deep breathing, problem-solving, and seeking support from trusted adults.

WELCOME BACK, COWBOYS!



On behalf of the Amy Coleman Middle School Counseling Department, we are pleased to welcome you and your family to the 2026–2027 school year. We are excited to partner with you as we support the academic, social, emotional, and personal growth of every student. Our counseling team is committed to creating a positive and supportive learning environment where all students can thrive. We look forward to building meaningful relationships with our students and families throughout the year.

At ACMS, we recognize that student success is achieved through a strong partnership between home and school. Parents and guardians play a vital role in supporting learning, encouraging positive habits, and helping students navigate challenges. When families and educators work together, students are more likely to reach their full potential both academically and personally. We value your involvement and encourage open communication as we collaborate to support your child's success.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIPS TO START THE YEAR STRONG



As partners in education, we share the responsibility of preparing students to become confident, resilient, and responsible learners. Our counseling department is dedicated to providing resources, guidance, and support to help students achieve their goals and overcome obstacles. We are committed to serving our school community with compassion, professionalism, and care. Together, we can make this school year a rewarding and successful experience for every student.

AMY COLEMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

The Amy Coleman Middle School Counseling Department is dedicated to supporting the academic, social-emotional, and personal development of all students. Our team works collaboratively with students, families, teachers, and administrators to ensure every student has the resources and support needed to succeed.

School counselors provide guidance in areas such as academic planning, goal setting, social-emotional learning, conflict resolution, college and career awareness, and overall student well-being.



MEET OUR DEDICATED TEAM



MRS. WILLIAMS-PIERRE
ALPHA SPLIT: A-B



MRS. HRAR
ALPHA SPLIT: LF-Z



MRS. PARKER
ALPHA SPLIT: C-LEZ



MRS. PRATT
COUNSELOR'S SECRETARY

SCHEDULE CORRECTION INFORMATION



In order to maintain balance of classroom numbers and to minimize disruptions to the academic process, schedule corrections will be made for the following reasons only by using the Schedule Correction Request Form:

- A student has already taken and received credit for a class in which they are currently scheduled.
- A male has been scheduled into a female PE/Athletics, or vice versa.
- A student is in a class for which they do not have the appropriate prerequisite (Example: enrolled in Art II and has not taken Art I).
- Level Changes (On-level to AAC or vice versa based on course availability)

A student requiring a schedule correction must have their parent complete a Schedule Correction Request and submit it to their alpha split counselor using the appropriate form link.

Schedule Correction Request Form links will open on Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 8:00am. The deadline to submit a Schedule Correction(s) Request form via the link is 11:59pm on August 20, 2026. No requests will be accepted after the deadline nor will requests be accepted via email or by phone.

Schedule correction(s) requests will be reviewed and processed in the order in which they are received. Once made, all changes are final for the duration of the 2026-27 school year.

In general, elective change requests will not be honored as electives are scheduled for the entire school year. However, if a student is trying to move from a regular elective into an extracurricular program (i.e., band, choir, and athletics) the request for the change will be considered but must be initiated by the coach/program director. All requests are subject to course availability and are not guaranteed.

DEADLINE IS AUGUST 20, 2026 AT 11:59PM REQUESTS MUST BE MADE USING THE LINKS BELOW:

A-B Alpha split Form Link: A-B Alpha Split Schedule Correction Request Form 2026-2027 School Year – Fill out form

C-LEZ Alpha Split Form Link: C-Lez Alpha Split Schedule Correction Request Form 2026-2027 School Year– Fill out form

LF-Z Alpha Split Form Link: LF - ZZZ Alpha Split Schedule Correction Request Form 2026-2027 School Year – Fill out form

** Please note, any change to a student's courses may impact their entire schedule. By submitting the form, both the student and parent acknowledge approval of the requested change. Once a schedule has been changed, it cannot be changed back. Submitting this form will serve as the electronic signature for both parent & student. **





ACMS Spirit Shirt





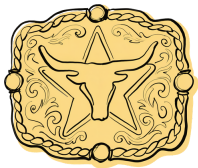
DEADLINE TO PURCHASE: SEPTEMBER 4, 2026

WEBSITE: HTTPS://GOGANDY.COM/ACMS26

SCAN HERE

26-27 ACMS SPIRIT SHIRT







ACMS 8th Grade Career Day



Thursday, November 19, 2026

Career Day provides students with opportunities to:

- Explore career pathways
- Learn from professionals
- Connect classroom learning to future careers
- Develop college and career awareness

We Need Your Help!

We are seeking:

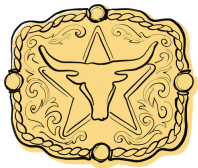
✅ Guest Speakers
✅ Business & Industry Partners
✅ Career Demonstrations
✅ Community Volunteers

Interested in participating?

- 📱 Scan the QR Code to sign up and learn more:











REGULAR DAY

Amy Coleman Middle School Bell Schedule

Ride For The Brand!

RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • RELATIONSHIP

PERIOD	A Lunch	PERIOD	B Lunch	PERIOD	C Lunch	PERIOD	D Lunch
1	8:50 – 9:40 (50)	1	8:50 – 9:40 (50)	1	8:50 – 9:40 (50)	1	8:50 – 9:40 (50)
2	9:45 – 10:30 (45)	2	9:45 – 10:30 (45)	2	9:45 – 10:30 (45)	2	9:45 – 10:30 (45)
Lunch	10:35 - 11:05 (30)	3	10:35 - 11:20 (45)	3	10:35 - 11:20 (45)	3	10:35 - 11:20 (45)
3	11:10 - 11:55 (45)	Lunch	11:25 – 11:55 (30)	4	11:25 - 12:00 (35)	4	11:25 - 12:30 (65)
4	12:00 – 1:05 (65)	4	12:00 – 1:05 (65)	Lunch	12:00 – 12:30 (30)		
				4	12:35 - 1:05 (30)	Lunch	12:35 - 1:05 (30)
Advisory	1:10 – 1:40 (30)	Advisory	1:10 – 1:40 (30)	Advisory	1:10 – 1:40 (30)	Advisory	1:10 – 1:40 (30)
5	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	5	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	5	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	5	1:45 – 2:30 (45)
6	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	6	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	6	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	6	2:35 – 3:20 (45)
7	3:25 – 4:10 (45)	7	3:25 – 4:10 (45)	7	3:25 – 4:10 (45)	7	3:25 – 4:10 (45)

Ride For The Brand!

RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • RELATIONSHIP

Amy Coleman Middle School Adjusted Advisory Bell Schedule

★ Ride For The Brand! ★

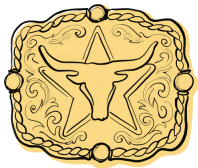
RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • RELATIONSHIP

PERIOD	A Lunch	PERIOD	B Lunch	PERIOD	C Lunch	PERIOD	D Lunch
1	8:50 – 9:35 (45)	1	8:50 – 9:35 (45)	1	8:50 – 9:35 (45)	1	8:50 – 9:35 (45)
2	9:40 – 10:25 (45)	2	9:40 – 10:25 (45)	2	9:40 – 10:25 (45)	2	9:40 – 10:25 (45)
Lunch	10:30 - 11:00 (30)	3	10:30 - 11:15 (45)	3	10:30 - 11:15 (45)	3	10:30 - 11:15 (45)
3	11:00 - 11:45 (45)	Lunch	11:20 – 11:50 (30)	4	11:20 - 11:50 (30)	4	11:20 - 12:20 (60)
4	11:50 – 12:50 (60)	4	11:50 – 12:50 (60)	Lunch	11:50 – 12:20 (30)		
				4	12:20 - 12:50 (30)	Lunch	12:20 - 12:50 (30)
5	12:55 – 1:40 (45)	5	12:55 – 1:40 (45)	5	12:55 – 1:40 (45)	5	12:55 – 1:40 (45)
6	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	6	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	6	1:45 – 2:30 (45)	6	1:45 – 2:30 (45)
7	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	7	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	7	2:35 – 3:20 (45)	7	2:35 – 3:20 (45)
Advisory	3:25 - 4:10 (45)	Advisory	3:25 - 4:10 (45)	Advisory	3:25 - 4:10 (45)	Advisory	3:25 - 4:10 (45)

Ride For The Brand!

RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • RELATIONSHIP









SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS IS THE DISTRICT'S STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM AND SERVES AS THE PRIMARY SOURCE FOR STUDENT RECORDS AND INFORMATION.

PARENTS CAN USE SKYWARD TO:

- VIEW GRADES AND ATTENDANCE
- UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION
- COMPLETE BEGINNING-OF-YEAR FORMS
- ACCESS REPORT CARDS AND ACADEMIC INFORMATION
- MONITOR STUDENT SCHEDULES

✅ TIP: CHECK SKYWARD REGULARLY TO STAY INFORMED ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS.

LINK: HTTPS://WWW.FORTBENDISD.GOV/DEPARTMENTS/SKYWARD-ACCESS/SKYWARD-ACCESS

SCHOOLOGY IS FORT BEND ISD'S LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WHERE TEACHERS POST INSTRUCTIONAL CONTENT AND COMMUNICATE CLASS EXPECTATIONS.

PARENTS AND STUDENTS CAN:

- VIEW CLASS ASSIGNMENTS AND DUE DATES
- MONITOR ASSIGNMENT COMPLETION
- ACCESS COURSE MATERIALS AND RESOURCES
- REVIEW TEACHER UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✅ TIP: REVIEWING SCHOOLOGY WEEKLY CAN HELP FAMILIES STAY ON TOP OF COURSEWORK AND UPCOMING DEADLINES.

LINK: HTTPS://APP.SCHOOLOGY.COM/LOGIN

SCHOOLCAFÉ IS THE DISTRICT'S ONLINE MEAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

PARENTS CAN:

- APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS
- VIEW CAFETERIA MENUS
- MONITOR STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNTS
- MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS
- SET ACCOUNT NOTIFICATIONS

✅ TIP: ENSURE YOUR STUDENT'S MEAL ACCOUNT INFORMATION IS UPDATED BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

LINK: HTTPS://WWW.SCHOOLCAFE.COM/FBISD



