

Cougar Community Newsletter

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One of the things that makes Jarrell ISD such a special place is the strong sense of family that connects our schools and community. Whether it is the family we have at home, the friendships we build at school, or the relationships we develop with our colleagues and neighbors, these connections are an important part of who we are.

As educators, we know that strong family connections play an important role in student success. When families and schools work together, students benefit from a network of encouragement, guidance, and support. Every conversation with a parent, every family member cheering from the stands, and every volunteer giving their time helps strengthen the bond between our schools and the community we serve.

But family connections extend beyond our students and parents. At Jarrell ISD, we are also a family of educators and staff members who support one another, celebrate successes, and come together during challenging times. Sometimes, the smallest gestures—a kind word, a helping hand, or simply checking in on someone—can make the biggest difference.

As we move through another busy week, I encourage everyone to take a little extra time to strengthen those connections. Reach out to a family member, thank someone who has made a difference, or spend a few moments getting to know someone better. Our schedules may be busy, but the relationships we build are what truly matter.

Great schools are built on strong relationships, and strong communities are built on people who care for one another. That is what makes Jarrell ISD special.

Thank you for being part of our Cougar family and for helping make Jarrell ISD a place where everyone belongs.

We Are One Community!



JARRELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Healthy Students.
Healthy Staff.
Stronger Schools.*

FLU INFORMATION

Help Keep Our Schools Healthy!

Schools and childcare centers are places where children learn, grow, and often share germs. Flu spreads easily in group settings and can cause significant illness in students, staff, and volunteers, leading to increased absence and outbreaks.

RECOMMENDED PREVENTION STRATEGIES

ENCOURAGE ANNUAL FLU VACCINATION

- All staff, students, and volunteers 6 months and older should get a flu shot every year.

PROMOTE HEALTHY HABITS

Teach and remind children to:

- Wash their hands frequently with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Cover their coughs and sneezes with a tissue or their elbow
- Avoid touching their eyes, nose, and mouth

CLEAN AND DISINFECT REGULARLY

- Ensure high-touch surfaces such as desks, doorknobs, and hard and soft toys are cleaned daily
- Sanitize shared items in classrooms and common areas
- Pay attention to and follow cleaning instructions on disinfectants to ensure the appropriate contact time on surfaces is implemented.

KEEP SICK STUDENTS AND STAFF HOME

- Children and staff with flu symptoms should stay home until fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication
- Children and staff with flu symptoms should be isolated from other staff and students and sent home as soon as possible
- Encourage families to develop a plan for child care in case their child gets sick

WATCH FOR SYMPTOMS

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Sore Throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches (myalgia)
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Sometimes vomiting or diarrhea

Contact your child's pediatrician or your campus school nurse.

➤ *Together We Can Reduce the Spread of Flu!* ➤

Safety and Security Information

Jarrell ISD Police Department

You can also contact the [Jarrell ISD Police Department](#) for assistance or to report concerns and criminal activity.

JARRELL ISD POLICE DEPARTMENT

IS YOUR E-BIKE LEGAL IN TEXAS?

PARENTS & STUDENTS: Not everything sold as an "E-Bike" is **legally** an electric bicycle in Texas.

LEGAL TEXAS E-BIKES Under Texas Transportation Code §664.001, an electric bicycle must have operable pedals, a motor under 750 watts, and a top assisted speed of 28 mph or less.

CLASS 1 – PEDAL ASSIST	CLASS 2 – THROTTLE	CLASS 3 – FASTER PEDAL ASSIST	THE 3 THINGS TO REMEMBER
 Motor assists only while pedaling. Assistance stops at 20 MPH. EXAMPLE: TRADITIONAL E-BIKE - Fully operable pedals - Motor operates only while pedaling - Motor under 750 watts - Assistance stops at 20 MPH LEGAL E-BIKE ✓	 May use a throttle and propel the bicycle without pedaling. Assistance stops at 20 MPH. EXAMPLE: THROTTLE E-BIKE - Fully operable pedals - Can propel the bicycle without pedaling - Motor under 750 watts - Assistance stops at 20 MPH LEGAL E-BIKE ✓	 Pedal assist only. Assistance operates above 20 MPH but stops before reaching 28 MPH. EXAMPLE: COMMUTER E-BIKE - Fully operable pedals - Pedal assist only - Motor under 750 watts - Assistance above 20 MPH but stops before 28 MPH LEGAL E-BIKE ✓	OPERABLE PEDALS UNDER 750 WATTS 28 MPH MAXIMUM ASSISTED SPEED IF IT DOESN'T MEET ALL THREE—IT IS NOT A TEXAS ELECTRIC BICYCLE.

NOT LEGALLY A TEXAS E-BIKE A vehicle does NOT meet the Texas definition of an electric bicycle when it has one or more of the following:

ELECTRIC DIRT-BIKE / MOTORCYCLE-STYLE VEHICLES
 Examples: Sur-Ron, Talaria, and similar high-powered electric motorcycles




IMPORTANT: Adding decorative or nonfunctional pedals does not automatically make an electric motorcycle an electric bicycle.

- 750-watt or greater motor
- Motor assistance above 28 MPH
- No fully operable pedals
- Modifications that cause it to exceed Texas e-bike limitations

IMPORTANT: These vehicles may be subject to different motor-vehicle laws, including licensing, registration, insurance, and roadway restrictions. Not all can be registered or driven on public roadways.

RIDE SMART. RIDE SAFE.

WEAR A HELMET • OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS & SIGNALS • USE LIGHTS AT NIGHT • WATCH FOR PEDESTRIANS • RIDE PREDICTABLY

SEE SOMETHING? SAY SOMETHING! Report unsafe riding or hazards JISD PD.

LEARN MORE Scan the QR code to view Texas Transportation Code §664.001

KNOW THE LAW • RIDE RESPONSIBLY • GET HOME SAFE Texas Transportation Code §§551.106–551.107 & 664.001

Standard Response Protocol (SRP) Know the Language

Parent Reunification and Emergency Operations

In the event of an emergency, it's vital that we have your up-to-date contact information. 15% of our parent population has incorrect contact information on file. It's critical we have your correct address, email address, and phone numbers. Please log in to [Skyward](#) to verify that your information is accurate.

In addition to having your correct information on file, filling out a Parent Reunification Card is vital for an emergency. Click on the link below to learn more about our Parent Reunification Plan.

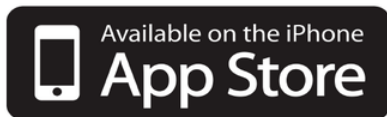
Safety and Parent Reunification Information

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High School Athletics

Jarrell Middle School Athletics

Jarrell Ranch Middle School Athletics

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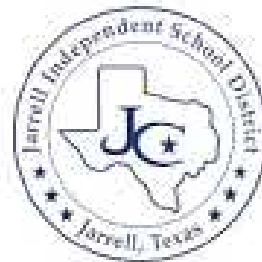


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About Jarrell ISD

Jarrell ISD is located in northern Williamson County. It has seven campuses: Jarrell High School, Jarrell Middle School, Jarrell Ranch Middle School, Berry Creek Elementary School, Igo Elementary



School, Double Creek Elementary School, and Jarrell Elementary School. The district serves more than 4,800 students. Enrollment is projected to double in the next 10 years.

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