IMPORTANT REMINDERS

School Hours
Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m. - 2:55 p.m. (virtual)
7:10 a.m. Doors open (Face to Face)
7:30 a.m. Tardy Bell
2:55 p.m. Dismissal Bell

Office Hours
Monday - Friday
7:10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Calendar
Diwali- Nov. 12-16
Parent University- Nov. 17
Thanksgiving- Nov. 26

GT Testing Dates
Nov. 9th- Nov. 20th Universal Screening for Kinder and 5th On Campus
Nov. 9th- Dec. 4th- Enrolled applicant testing for 1st-4th Grade
Nov 30th- Dec. 12- Non-Enrolled applicant testing, for students not at Briargrove

HISD screens kindergarten and fifth grade students who were not previously identified as gifted and talented in what is called Universal Testing. This process begins the week of November 9, 2020. An Abilities Test and an Achievement Test are administered universally to all kindergarten and fifth grade students for Gifted and Talented (G/T) identification. The Abilities Test and the Achievement Test has been scheduled for November 9 – November 20, 2020.

At this time, as per district guidance, all GT Testing is scheduled to be held on campus.

If your kindergarten or 5th grade student is currently participating in virtual instruction and you would like them to be universally screened, please fill out the Google Form below. This information helps us plan for a safe and social distanced testing environment. All kindergarten and 5th grade students who are receiving face to face instruction will be screened in their classrooms.

Note that 1st-4th Grade students who wish to test for GT will apply online through the HISD Parent Connect Portal. You will be contacted the week of November 9th about testing.

Please be aware that HISD offers Gifted and Talented screening once every school year. If you choose not to attend the face to face testing for 2020-2021, it will be offered the following year.

https://forms.gle/EDEMQeY3m5GMokK68
Third six weeks selection period for in-person or virtual instruction begins Nov. 9

With the third six weeks of the 2020-2021 school year approaching, HISD families have the option to revise their selection for either in-person or virtual instruction for students. The first day of the third six weeks is December 7.

The selection process remains the same. Parents will have from Monday, November 9, through Friday, November 13, to make their selection through the HISD Connect Parent Portal “Forms” section. If parents would like to keep their selection as-is, no action is needed. The current selected mode of instruction will carry over for the third six-week grading period.

If a change is needed, parents will be able to log in to the HISD Connect Parent Portal and make their new selection. Parents also can contact their child’s school to change their selection. Please utilize our helpful step-by-step videos on completing forms or getting started in the Parent Portal.

This process is continuing to ensure campuses can begin planning for physical space, staffing, and scheduling. There will be additional opportunities to change a selection throughout the year, if desired.

Helpful Links

Keep up with the latest from HISD: https://www.houstonisd.org/

HISD’s Reopening Plan
Communicable Disease Plan (CDP)
Reopening Preparedness Guide
Parent Guide
HoustonISD.org/Reopening

BGE Website: https://www.houstonisd.org/briargroves

PTO Website: https://www.bgepto.org/
Be a Carpool Hero!

Follow all traffic safety laws, including:

- Please do not block driveway or sidewalks.
- Come to a full stop at stop signs.
- Use turn signals.

PLEASE watch out for those crossing streets and riding bikes near Briar mead & Briar Ridge Drives.

Morning Carpool runs 7:10 to 7:25

If you arrive after 7:25, please park and walk your student to the front doors. Wait with your student until temperature check is passed and your student is cleared to enter the building.

IB Learner Profile

Who I Strive To Be

Reflective

Reflective students “thoughtfully consider the world and their own ideas and experience. They work to understand their strengths and weaknesses in order to support their learning and personal development.”

Covid-19 Precautions Remain in Full Force and Effect

Please observe ALL Covid-19 precautions. The following are just a few key precautions:

- Students must wear a proper mask at all times. Lunch and recess are the ONLY exceptions. Violation of this safety precaution puts everyone at risk. A student who repeatedly removes his/her mask will be sent home for virtual instruction for the remainder of the grading period.
- No visitors to campus.
- No items delivered. This includes food. Breakfast, snack, lunch, and dinner are provided.
After3 enrollment is open!
ENROLL FOR THE
2020 - 2021 SCHOOL YEAR

RETURNING
AFTER 3 FAMILIES

Returning After Parents can log in to the Aftercare for the Orange Box. "Returning Parents Sign-In." to select a spot for the new school year.

**2020 FALL**
INFORMATION

For fall 2020, we are only providing after-school care to:

Briargrove Elementary, Mark White Elementary, and Shadowood Middle School.

This begins October 19th.

BG and SAM begin October 26th.

NEW
AFTER 3 FAMILIES

If you are brand new to After
School the Box, go to the "New Parents Open Account" on the top right of the screen to register for After 3 morning and/or after-school care. After 3 for the new school year.

If you enrolled earlier this school year, please log in and check that you are enrolled to begin on the new start date for your school. If not, please contact us.

Register here: https://www.ezchildtrack.com/Parent3/ParentLogin.aspx?c=After3ASP

Go to the AFTER3 website for all the COVID Back to School safety plans they have prepared. www.after3asp.com

Online
Scholastic Book Fair

November 2nd to 15th

The online book fair is November 2-15th. The link for our fair is https://www.scholastic.com/bf/briargroveelementaryschool though this won't go live till November 2. The theme this year is 'Time Machine, reading can take you anywhere'. Scholastic has developed a virtual fair so kids and parents can go to the link and 'walk around' the virtual fair - explore books, click on books for book reviews etc. There will be over 6000 titles, not just limited to elementary level books so can shop for older children etc. Shopping will arrive in time for winter holidays.
Join us at the Park to learn about Girl Scouts and JOIN! Hope to see you there! Look for the Girl Scout sign! ¡Únase a nosotros en el parque para aprender sobre las Girl Scouts y ÚNETE! ¡Espero verte allí! ¡Busque el cartel de Girl Scouts!
Monday, November 9, 2020  3:15-4:15 p.m.
Tanglewood Park - 5801 Woodway
Register to attend a virtual event on Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 p.m. Click the following link: https://tinyurl.com/buffalotrailsgirlscouts2020.

Buffalo Trails Park Event 2.pdf