

Amber Laroche, Principal



Marcelina Cobb, Assistant Principal

Dear Pre-Kinder – Fifth Grade Brentwood Families,

Brentwood 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will be completing the following STAAR assessments next week:

- Monday, May 14: 3rd Grade Math, 4th Grade Math, and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Retest
- Tuesday, May 15: 3rd Grade Reading, 4th Grade Reading, and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Retest
- Wednesday, May 16: 5th Grade Science and 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading and Math Make-Ups
- Thursday, May 17: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading and Math Make-Ups and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Make-Ups

It is always helpful for students to go to bed early the night before a test and eat a healthy nutritious breakfast in the morning. Brentwood cafe will be open for breakfast from 7:05-7:30 each morning if families wish to purchase breakfast at the school.

Here are a few additional suggestions to help you prepare your 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> student and your family for these days:

- Follow as normal as you can your typical evening and morning routine.
- Reassure your child that your love for him/her does not depend on his/her success or failure on this test.
- Help your child to eat healthy and to get enough sleep in the days approaching the test.
- Make sure your child arrives at school on time, 7:45 a.m.

Brentwood will not provide snacks for students during STAAR testing this year due to an increase in food allergies and dietary restrictions among students. Our primary goal at all times is to keep our students safe. We encourage families to send one snack to school on testing days.

We do our best to provide a thriving learning environment for all of our students. We model and teach our social, emotional, learning strategies throughout the year and encourage our students to use them. We want all of our students to feel successful and promote our motto, "Where we always do our personal best!" during testing season.

There are various adjustments to schedules during these days, including Encore, recess, and lunch times. Please check with your child's teacher for specific information. We are thankful to have Brentwood Park next to us so our non-testing grades have a place to play during testing days. We practice sharing and respect when we go to the park and play with non-Brentwood kids.

On testing days students take assessments throughout the building. We are required to maintain testing security throughout the building on these days. On all testing days the campus will be closed to all visitors, mentors, and families. If you stop by campus you will be able to visit the office only. We appreciate your understanding of this campus closure during these days.

This is an opportunity for each child to show his/her learning. Teachers have prepared your child, with your support, for these assessments. Thank you for your support!

Thank You,

Amber Laroche, Principal

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**AUSTIN**  
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# **“SUPERHERO” FIELD DAY**

**Friday, May 18, 2018**

**at**

**Brentwood Park**

## **SCHEDULE**

<b>Set Up</b>	<b>6:45 - 7:45 am</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>8:00 - 9:30 am</b>
<b>Kindergarten &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b>	<b>9:30 - 11:00 am</b>
<b>Pre-Kindergarten</b>	<b>11:30 - 12:15 pm</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b>	<b>1:00 - 2:30 pm</b>
<b>Clean up</b>	<b>2:30 - 3:00 pm</b>

There will be 12 stations for each grade level. The 12th station (Hydration/Photo Booth) is shared by both grade levels.

Station Games will include: Various Relays and Cooperative Games.

**\*Tug of War will be held at the end of each session.**

**\*\*Volunteers can sign up at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F45A8A629A5F94-brentwood>**

**\*\*\*All Volunteers and Visitors will need to sign in at the main office to obtain a visitors badge. This may take a while, so please arrive early.**



## Spanish Immersion After School Interest Survey

Deadline to fill out survey is Wed. May 16!

The Foreign Language Experience Committee at Brentwood has worked with Principal Laroche and Creative Action to come up with an exciting option for Brentwood students for the next school year! If there is enough interest, Creative Action will be expanding their after school program for two additional classrooms (K-2 and 3-5) that are Spanish Immersion.

Interested families are encouraged to fill out the survey, whether or not you are currently enrolled in Creative Action After School. If there is enough interest for the classes to make, families enrolled in Creative Action will have the option to transfer into the Spanish immersion classroom.

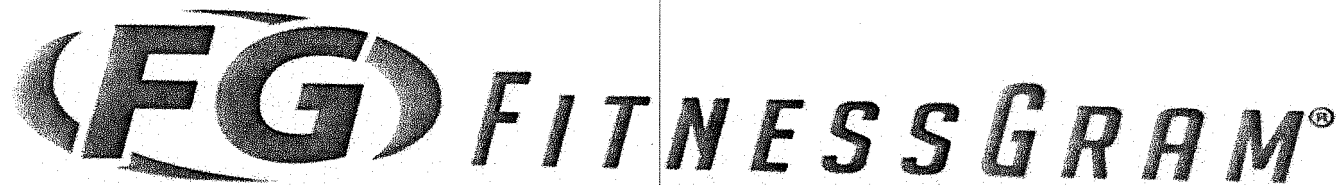
This program is for students with proficiency in Spanish. In most ways it will be the same as the regular Creative Action After School program, but the daily Creativity Classes (1.5 hours) will be taught 100% in Spanish by a fully bilingual or native, Spanish speaking instructor. Snack, homework, and recess will include a lot of Spanish, but students will be interacting with both Spanish speaking and English speaking teachers and students during that time.

Take the survey online at:

[creativeaction.org/spanishimmersion](http://creativeaction.org/spanishimmersion)

### Program details:

- Onsite at Brentwood 3 - 6pm every day school is in session
- Fee is \$248 for 10 monthly payments
- Students participate in a variety of fun, arts-based creativity classes, outdoor play, plus homework and snack time



**A FitnessGram tile has been placed in the Austin ISD Parent Cloud featuring diagnostic and final results for the 2017-2018 school year. The results are in English and Spanish for all 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade students.**

Once parents are logged into the Austin ISD Parent Cloud, they type “**Fitnessgram**” in the search box and click on the tile. Parents will be able to see their children listed and upon choosing one, they will see their scores as well as additional information including assessment explanations, standards, and requirements.