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Baldwin's New
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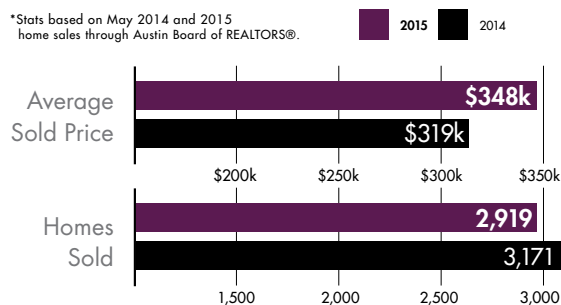


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4th of July Neighborhood Parade



Thanks to everyone who came out to the Meridian neighborhood parade on Saturday, July 4th at 8:30am. It was a great way to start our Independence Day celebrations. We would like to offer a special thanks to the Gorzycki Middle School band for their beautiful patriotic tunes and our local fire fighters who added some extra fun to the parade.

Photos courtesy of Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate Partners

THE MONITOR

WELCOME

A Newsletter for Meridian residents

The Monitor is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Meridian residents. Each newsletter is filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports activity, social group, etc. and would like to submit an article for the newsletter you can do so online at www.PEELinc.com or you can email it meridian@peelinc.com. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, special celebrations, birthday announcements and military service are also welcome.

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About the cover photo

*Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate
Partners and Kinder Kick-off Chair*

Meet a few of Baldwin's new incoming Kinder cubs: Kaya A., Tara S. and Jackson W. Baldwin's new class of Kindergartners have been celebrating all summer with play dates in and around the neighborhood. These kids were born in late 2009 and early 2010 and will graduate from high school in spring 2028! Baldwin is excited to welcome our new kinder cubs.

Do you take great photos?

*Would you like to see your photo published?
We are looking for great cover photos for the upcoming issues of
the Monitor.*

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION:

- Ideally taken in or around Meridian
- Be of High Resolution (240 dpi or higher. 300 dpi is best)
- Prefer "portrait" orientation

We'd love to have something that pertains to the time of the year in some way, so be creative and give it a try. Our submittal deadline is the 8th prior to the issue. Email them to meridian@peelinc.com.

By submitting your photo you agree to allow your photo to be published in future issues of the *Monitor*.



Baldwin PTA News

Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate Partners

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, August 20th, 3-5pm:

Meet the Teacher night

Come and meet your teacher and new classroom friends at this come-and-go event. If you ordered 2015-2016 Bobcat spirit wear or school supplies, these will be delivered to your classroom for pick-up.

Monday, August 24th:

First day of classes

Wednesday, September 9:

PTA Meeting (time is TBD)

Friday, October 16th:

Baldwin's Fall Carnival

SAVE UP THIS SUMMER!

Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Baldwin PTA

Don't forget to save those Box Tops and Labels for Education from your household and grocery products. These little labels may seem insignificant, but they add up to big bucks for our school!



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Baldwin Incoming Kindergarten Kick-Off CELEBRATION!

Submitted by: Jacquelyn Waldrop, Baldwin Kinder Kick-off Chair

Saturday, August 22

9:30-11am

Large Baldwin Playground

This is a special playdate where your Bobcat cub will have the opportunity to meet children in his/her class. Snacks will be provided. Don't miss the celebration and the opportunity to meet new friends and classmates!

Need more info? Contact me:

Jacquelyn Waldrop / jwaldrop@austinreps.com / 512-923-3099

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Baby Baldwin Bobcats-Incoming Kinder 2015

Middle School End of Summer Pool Bash!

Hosted by the Meridian HOA Social Committee

Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate Partners

Calling all Meridian students entering 6th, 7th and 8th grade for an End of Summer Pool Bash! Come and enjoy an evening with your friends at The Meridian Pool and Pavilion with DJ music, glow sticks on Thursday, August 20th, 7:30-9:30pm. For middle school students only, parent chaperones will be needed. Contact Dawn Bowes for more information: (512) 431-2529 / dawn@boweslaw.com.



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Baldwin Landscape Cub Scout Clean-up

Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate Partners and Olivia Schmitt, Pack leader volunteer

Earlier this spring there was some not so nice buzz about Baldwin's shabby and overgrown landscape, so our neighborhood Cub Scouts and their families rolled up their sleeves to beautify our beloved Baldwin campus on April 13, 2015. Thanks to Pack 446, Den 3, all consisting of boys rising to 2nd grade, Baldwin's exterior was cleaned up to look it's spring best! Thank you Den 3: Cash Lampman, Nathan Fellingner, RJ Gaza, Noah Franklin, Liam Crowley, Matthew Carleton, Palmer Schmitt; sisters, Jasmine Garza, Eva Garza and Georgia Schmitt and their parents.



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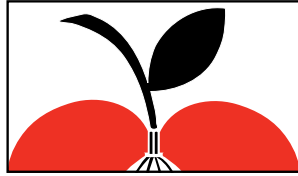
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Austin Independent School District 2015-2016 School Calendar Six & Nine-Week Reporting Periods



August 2015

10-13 New Teacher Orientation
18-19 Staff Development
20-21 Planning & Prep
24 First Day of Classes

September 2015

7 Student & Staff Holiday - Labor Day

October 2015

12 Student Holiday - Elem. Parent Conference;
Secondary Staff Development

November 2015

11 Student Holiday - Staff Development
25-27 Thanksgiving Holiday

December 2015

19 Winter Break Begins

January 2016

4 Student Holiday - Staff Development
5 Classes Resume
18 Student & Staff Holiday
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February 2016

15 Student Holiday - Elem. Parent Conference;
Secondary Staff Development
1st Bad Weather Makeup Day

March 2016

14-18 Spring Break
25 Student & Staff Holiday

May 2016

27 Student Holiday - Staff Development
2nd Bad Weather Makeup Day
30 Student & Staff Holiday - Memorial Day

June 2016

2 Last Day of Classes
3 Planning & Prep

Legend

	Student/Staff Holiday		Planning & Prep/ Student Holiday
	Staff Development/ Student Holiday		First / Last Day of Classes
	Student Holiday - Elem. Parent Conference Secondary Staff Development	+	Bad Weather Make-up Day
	New Teacher Orientation	}	9-Weeks
	District Closed	}	6-Weeks

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Approved by the AISD Board of Trustees 12/15/14

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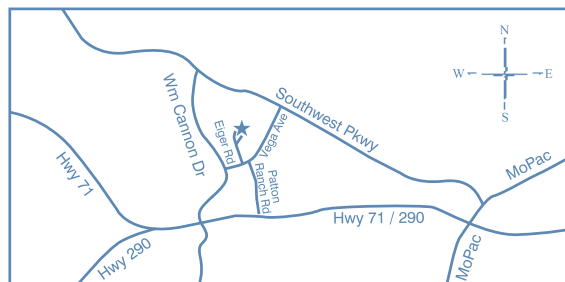
*Submitted by Jacquelyn Waldrop, Austin Real Estate
Partners & Circle C Mom's club member*

Circle C Mom's is a group of neighborhood moms that coordinate events for children, moms and families. Children's events include weekly age-specific playdates, holiday parties and field trips. Weekly moms' events are usually hosted at members' homes or nearby restaurants and include activities such as bunko nights, book club, craft night, movie nights, recipe/supper club, ladies-only lunches and much, much more! These activities are a great opportunity for moms to get out and enjoy a little "adult" time and meet new friends.

If you're interested in joining, please contact Kimberly De LaGarza @ delagarzakim@yahoo.com.



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	TOTAL	AVERAGE					TOTAL	
	Homes Sold	Square Feet	Price / Sq. Foot	Sold Price \$K	Year Built	Days On Market	Available	Pending Sale
<2500	6	2,248	\$ 165	\$ 371	2008	13	0	0
2500-2999	5	2,741	\$ 154	\$ 423	2007	17	2	1
3000-3499	7	3,171	\$ 136	\$ 432	2008	32	1	3
3500-3999	6	3,669	\$ 134	\$ 490	2007	72	4	3
4000-4500	5	4,352	\$ 162	\$ 703	2012	103	3	2
>4500	1	4,545	\$ 181	\$ 822	2011	79	1	0
Meridian Total	30	3,257	\$ 150	\$ 489	2009	47	11	9
% Change Mo/Mo	-3%	2%	2%	5%	0%	23%	-27%	29%
% Change Yr / Yr	11%	1%	3%	4%	0%	20%	267%	29%

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