

Crestview/Brentwood Neighborhood Profiles



Brentwood and Crestview are often considered the same neighborhood, but they do in fact have their own boundaries. Brentwood is South of Crestview and is partly in the Austin Central Region and partly in the Austin North Central region. The boundaries are Justin Lane (North), 45th Street (South), North Lamar (East), and Burnet Road (West). The zip codes for Brentwood are 78756 and 78757.

LONE STAR LUXURY

Crestview, a neighborhood in North Central Austin is like a time capsule from the post-World War II boom years. It's filled with charming bungalows and mid-century ranch homes boasting beautiful gardens and shaded by mature trees. The Crestview neighborhood, built by developer A.B. Beddow on the site of an old dairy farm, attracts people who value the quiet, relaxing environment of an established area that's just east of Northcross Mall, the geographic center of the Austin metropolitan area.

Crestview prides itself on its mellow, low-key vibe, and residents frequently walk or jog through the neighborhood, pushing strollers and leading dogs. The neighborhood is known for its friendly feel - epitomized by the Wall of Welcome, a mural along Woodrow Avenue.

Residents remain true to the area's agricultural history by supporting gardening efforts by the nonprofit Urban Patchwork, which plants crops in area yards and shares the fruits of volunteers' labors with homeowners. And Brentwood Elementary, the neighborhood primary school, is known for its organic gardening program.

In addition to planting gardens, residents cultivate a strong sense of community by planting signs on their lawns promoting school plays, church fundraisers, roadside clean-ups and community events such as the Violet Crown Festival.

Location:

The Crestview Neighborhood Association defines the neighborhood as stretching from Anderson Lane to the north and Justin Lane to the south and between Lamar Boulevard and Burnet Road (east to west). The neighborhood, which covers about 1.2 square miles, is just moments from U.S. Highway 183, which provides quick access to Interstate 35, about a mile to the east, as well as MoPac Boulevard (Loop 1), about a mile to the west.

Transportation:

In addition to its Metro Rail stop, Crestview is served by a number of bus routes that link the neighborhood to the University of Texas campus and downtown Austin. Students can ride the Pickle Research Campus (PRC) shuttle line; residents can take the #1L/M, #101, #3 or #5 bus lines to the city's downtown core. For those seeking to travel elsewhere in the city, Capital Metro operates a park-and-ride at U.S. 183 and Lamar Boulevard, just a block north of the neighborhood's northeast corner.

Amenities:

Though there are no city parks within the neighborhood's boundaries, the 9-acre Brentwood Park lies just south of Crestview, and residents make use of its basketball courts, swimming pool, playground and tennis and volleyball courts. The North Austin Optimist Club, which sponsors local youth sports activities, holds a long-term lease on a baseball and softball field on Morrow Drive just west of Lamar Boulevard.

Schools Serving Crestview

The Austin Independent School District has assigned students in the Crestview neighborhood to Brentwood Elementary School, Lamar Middle School and McCallum High School, which houses a fine arts academy.

Private: Private schools that serve students in the Crestview area include Redeemer Lutheran, St. Louis Catholic School, Oakmont School, Austin SDA Junior Academy, St. Francis, Victory Christian Center School, Paragon Prep, Northwest Montessori House of Children, Capital School of Austin and Odyssey School.



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The Brentwood neighborhood is comparable to the Tarrytown or Clarksville neighborhoods. Future residents in search of affordable housing that cannot be found in Clarksville head to the Brentwood area. Although the neighborhood has many of its original home constructions, the popularity of the area and significant jumps in home values have caused the area to expand with new constructions. The neighborhood now has a unique integration of modern design and historic bungalows.

Location:

Brentwood is a neighborhood in north central Austin, Texas. The area is bordered by Burnet Road on the west, Lamar Blvd on the east, 45th Street on the south and Justin Lane on the north.

Amenities:

Residents of Brentwood have convenient access to the neighborhood park. Brentwood Park is nine acres in size and has a large range of amenities. The park features tennis courts, playgrounds, basketball courts, a volleyball court and swimming pool. The pool area is crowded with residents during the summer but is free of charge and includes a baby pool and shaded deck. One of the fields in Brentwood Park can be used for multiple purposes. Every year, the Violet Crown Festival is held in Brentwood park and is a neighborhood tradition. The festival offers residents a place where they can network, listen to music, and learn about the neighborhood's history.

The Brentwood neighborhood is located near the university as well as several high-tech companies. The neighborhood locations draws professors, students, and tech professionals creating a diverse demographic of people. Families who live in the area enjoy the great schools that are located in the neighborhood. Brentwood Elementary and McCallum High School both have excellent track records and curriculums which has garnered recognition and awards from the City of Austin. There are also numerous private schools in the area, including the prestigious Petite Ecole Internationale for students who desire French immersion.

In the 1950s several churches opened their doors in the Brentwood neighborhood. Many of the churches are situated on Woodrow Avenue which is now referred to as "Church Row." The Crestview Shopping Center is also located in Brentwood and was constructed in 1952. Shopping and recreational areas in addition to the established vibe of Brentwood make it a great neighborhood to live in.

Public schools

Brentwood is located in the Austin Independent School District.

Brentwood Elementary

School Lamar Middle

School McCallum High School

Private schools

Brentwood Christian School (now located at 11908 North Lamar Boulevard, which is between Braker Lane and Yager Lane)

Petite Ecole Internationale

The Oakmont School

CS Lewis Hall

Northwest Montessori

House of Children

Paragon Preparatory

Shoreline Christian School