

# WEST BRIAR MIDDLE SCHOOL GRIZZLY TIMES


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## **Week 26 Update – STAAR Countdown & Elective Choices for Next Year!**


Dear West Briar Families,



We are just 28 school days away from our first STAAR test on April 10!  Our students will take the English STAAR test, and we are working hard to ensure they feel confident and prepared. Please encourage your child to stay engaged, complete their assignments, and take advantage of any extra practice opportunities!

### **Looking Ahead: Electives for Next Year!**

It's time for students to start thinking about the electives they want to take for the upcoming school year!     
 Counselor Ryans will be sharing more details soon about the selection process, so stay tuned!

### **Dress Code & Behavior Reminders**

As we move through the semester, please remind students to follow the dress code and demonstrate positive behavior throughout the school day.  Respect, responsibility, and readiness are key to a successful learning environment!




Thank you for your continued support in helping every Grizzly grow every day!  

~ **Principal Blanchard**



### **Stay Updated with HISD Now!**

Stay informed with the latest updates from HISD by checking out HISD Now! This is your go-to source for the most up-to-date news and important information about our district.

 Read more here: [HISD Now](https://www.hisdnow.org)  
Stay connected and informed!  

## **Power School Access for Parents**

Please make sure you are monitoring your student's grades and attendance in PowerSchool. For assistance with accessing your student's information, please email Lauri Lamar at [llamar@houstonisd.org](mailto:llamar@houstonisd.org)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### February 24, 2025

- English Tutorials 4:15pm - 5:15pm
- Varsity Baseball vs Black 4:30pm (Black MS)

### February 25, 2025

- Choir UIL Sight Reading Contest
- Social Studies Tutorials 4:15pm - 5:15pm

### February 26, 2025

- Christian Club Meeting 7:50am
- Choir UIL Sight Reading Contest
- Math Tutorials 4:15pm - 5:15pm
- Softball Game vs Pershing (MAGSA Field) 5:00pm
- **JV Baseball Game vs Briar Meadow @ Home 4:30pm**

### February 27, 2025

- Choir UIL Sight Reading Contest
- Science Tutorials 4:15pm - 5:15pm
- Boys and Girls Soccer Game vs Mandarin (Butler) 5:00pm

### February 28, 2025

- C4 Report Card goes Home
- School Store 11:30am
- Varsity Baseball vs Rogers 4:30pm (Post Oak LL)
- Black History Month Program 6:00pm

### March 1, 2025

- Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day

## Swim Celebration!

We were excited to celebrate our amazing Swim students at their Celebration . This event was to reward our athletes for hard work, dedication, and positive behavior.

#GrizzlyPride #MakingWaves



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## Swim Celebration!






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The next Pulse Check is Thursday, February 27th




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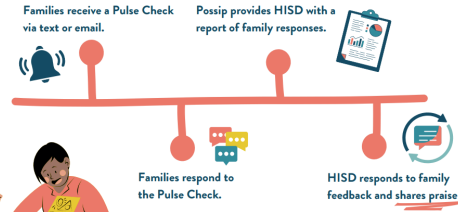


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- Recurring Pulse Check surveys
- Sent via text & email
- No app or login needed
- Families respond in their home language
- Actionable data for schools & districts
- Stronger school communities



**HOW FAMILY VOICES WILL HELP**



¡Esté atento a su próximo Pulse Check, muy pronto! el jueves, 27 de febrero



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**Cómo Possip Ayuda a Apoyar tu Escuela:**

- Encuestas periódicas de Pulse Check
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- Responda en su idioma preferido
- Datos accionables para escuelas y distritos
- Comunidades escolares más fuertes



**HOW FAMILY VOICES WILL HELP**

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## YELLOW UNIFORM CLOSEOUT SALE!

7th grade yellow uniform shirts and sweatshirts are on sale now! Yellow tops can be worn for the 24-25 and 25-26 school year. Yellow tops are only available in limited sizes. All sales are final.

**Gray uniform tops are not for sale.**



\$5



\$12

### 7TH GRADE YELLOW SALE

\$8

Limited sizes available

No refunds on yellow items-  
FINAL SALE

Yellow uniforms allowed  
for 24-25 and 25-26



**Yellow T-shirts: \$5**  
**Yellow Polo Shirts: \$8**  
**Yellow Sweatshirts: \$12**

Click the "**Order Apparel Online**" button to shop the yellow uniform closeout sale.



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## PROSPECTIVE GRIZZLIES SCHOOL TOURS

- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024 AT 9:00 AM
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025 AT 9:00 AM
- TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 AT 9:00 AM

*Come take a look!!*



## Happy Birthday

**Ms. Broussard**  
**Feb 27**



## Westside Cheerleading Tryouts

*Save the Dates!*

**February 11th OR 13th - Mandatory**  
**parent/ cheerleader meeting 6:30pm**

**Room S100**

**February 27th - Optional Open Gym**

**4:30-6pm Gym**

**March 3rd-6th - Tryouts**

**4:30-6pm Gym**

*Scan to register!*



### IMPORTANT LINKS



- [UPDATED DRESS CODE LINK](#)
- [WEST BRIAR HANDBOOK](#)
- [HISD STUDENT HANDBOOK](#)
- [SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST](#)
- [HEALTH INVENTORY FORM](#)

[BELL SCHEDULE](#)  
[ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#)  
[CAMPUS ASSESSMENT CALENDAR](#)  
[SCHOOL PAY](#)





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Student Name	Birthday	GRADE
Arzu, Mia Danielle	02-23	8
Garciga Casanova, Lid Samay	02-23	7
Haile, So'Mari Naod	02-23	7
Kadhim, Hussain Alaa	02-23	6
Keys, Levi Tyrone	02-23	7
Mukama, Carnatia Hijaa	02-23	7
Nix, Baylei Jahlia	02-23	7
Ahmed, Sofian	02-24	6
Moreno Merchan, Amy Nicole	02-24	7
Omordia, Kendra Kikanwa	02-24	8
Al Khaled, Salam Khaled	02-25	8
Ayllon-Alcantar, Anthony Jacob	02-25	6
Gamron, Ashley Arabel	02-25	6
Gamron, Nicolas Klaus	02-25	6
Martinez Valbuena, Ashly Maria	02-25	7
Santillana, Abdiel Emir	02-25	8
Walton, Jylen Rhys	02-25	7
Hassan, Laila Fatima-Marie	02-26	7
Jones, De'Marrien Raymond	02-26	6
Quinones Moreno, Sheyla Valentina	02-26	8





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Student Name	Birthday	GRADE
Witherspoon, Zaylor Javier	02-26	7
Crump, Aleiya Monroe Elizabeth	02-27	6
Kishore, Milan	02-27	7
Williams, Sydni Elise	02-27	7
Brownlee, Addison Ann	02-28	8
Crank, Beatrix Kay	02-28	8
Crank, Lorelei Jane	02-28	8
Dickson, Joshua Dion	02-28	7
Riddock, Sky Camille	02-28	6
Tzunux-Laynez, Emily Yarlin	02-28	7
Garcia, Ariana Renee	03-01	8