Congratulations to Westside’s Teacher of the Year!

We are excited to announce our 2023/2024 Teacher of the Year, Ms. Wilnekia Brinson. Ms. Brinson teaches World History and AP African American Studies. Congratulations!
Spring Testing News

SAT School Day

SAT® School Day allows states, districts, and schools to offer juniors the opportunity to take the SAT during their regular school day at their home school, expanding access to a globally recognized college admission test.

- Test Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2024
- Audience: All 11th grade students
- No registration necessary
- FREE!
- Students will need a photo ID and their laptop and charger on test day.

Click here for more information about the test and here for practice opportunities and sample questions.

Spring TSIA2 Testing available at Westside High School for Seniors

The Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2) is a series of tests for students enrolling in public colleges and universities in Texas. The tests help Texas schools determine whether a student is ready for college-level courses in the areas of reading, writing, and math.

Not all Texas college students have to take TSIA2. If your student has met college readiness standards on a standardized test like the SAT, they may be exempt. NOTE: SAT Scores are available in your student’s College Board account.
Announcements

Altered Schedule Week of 3/4/24

Monday, Thursday, & Friday – Normal 1-7 Bell Schedule

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SAT Test Time: 7:45 – 11:30

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3/6 Wednesday

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Tennis News:
Waller Varsity Tennis Tournament 3/1 Highlights

1st place in Boys A Singles - Julien Merlin
1st Place in Boys B Singles - Francisco Fonseca
2nd Place in Boys A Doubles - Andreas Krisanto & Sricharan Machavarapu
2nd Place in Girl's Singles - Avani Farmer
1st Place Consolation in Mixed Doubles - Anaika Mehta & Olashile Sosanwo

Pride Dance Team News:
Pride competed at Nationals and came away with Five National Champion Titles:

Team Modern
Team Novelty
Officer Open
Officer Contemporary
Officer Jazz
Announcements

LOOKING FOR OFFICERS (2024-2025)
• HAVE AT LEAST ONE ART CREDIT/ENROLLED IN ART

NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY

CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS
WHEN: MARCH 5-8 4:30PM-6:30PM
WHERE: PERFORMANCE GYM

PRIDE DANCE TEAM
AUDITIONS
MARCH 26TH-28TH
Announcements

Go Westside!
Way to go, Wolves!

List of Clubs & Orgs

Westside Coding Club
Meetings Every Tuesday in Room N225 During Lunch!!
- No experience needed
- Learn and collaborate with peers
- Practice coding skills
- Compete at UIL and HPE Codewars

Scan the QR Code to join the Remind, or type the link below
https://tinyurl.com/whs-code

Get Involved!

List of Clubs & Orgs

Gamer’s Club
Hosted in E124
We have Board Games & Videogames
Wednesdays During Lunch
More info: jason.rodriguez@houstonisd.org

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PTO Announcements

2023-2024
The PTO Welcomes All New and Returning Westside Families!

WHS PTO Website
VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WESTSIDE PTO!

Scan using your camera
WAYS YOU CAN HELP:
- JOIN THE PTO!
- VOLUNTEER!
- DONATE!
- SHOP OUR STORE!
- ATTEND MEETINGS!

Join and become a PTO member today!

WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG
FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE THE PTO FLYER IN YOUR STUDENT’S FIRST DAY PACKET

WESTSIDE SCHOOL STORE
A SERVICE PROVIDED BY PTO
HOURS:
TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS DURING LUNCH & 3:30 - 4:00 PM
QUESTIONS: WHSPTOSTORE@gmail.com

We Are Westside!

Calling all Parents!!
Join the Westside PTO
We are looking to fill several positions that will help with our Homecoming Dance, Teacher Appreciation events, Fundraising, and much more! This is a great opportunity to be involved in the school and get to know the Westside staff.

Scan Me!
Contact: Meghan Hokom meghanS8@hotmail.com for any questions.

PTO Announcements

$100 PER PAWPRINT FOR A FULL YEAR
$20 OF THE LOGOS GOES TOWARDS THE ORGANIZATION CHOSEN

Pawprints
Make Your Mark at Westside

MONEY GOES TOWARDS THE SENIOR CLASS FUND FOR YOUR STUDENT’S GRADUATING YEAR.

THE COST FOR EACH LOGO IS $25, WITH A MAXIMUM OF 2 LOGOS PER TRANSACTION.

www.westsidehighpto.org
Financial aid:
FAFSA - While FAFSA traditionally becomes available every October, due to major changes to the application and website, the 2024-2025 FAFSA application will not be made available until December 2023. An official release date has not been confirmed but colleges across the U.S. are aware of this change. However, the College Center is recommending students to still submit by the original priority deadline of January 15th to be safe. A major change to keep out for is that what was previously known as the "Student Aid Report" will now be shown as "FAFSA Submission Summary."
TASFA - The biggest update to share about TASFA this year is that it will now available online! Each student and one parent/guardian will create an account and complete the application online and will have the ability to send their completed online TASFA applications to up 10 schools.

Scholarships:
HISD has provides students with a list of "Hot Scholarships" that are available to them throughout their senior year. The Hot Scholarship list for October-December is accessible through each student Schoolinks account and be found the by following these steps: Digital Resources > Schoolinks > Finances > Scholarship Matching

Testing:
SAT for Seniors - There are still several opportunities for seniors to take the SAT and/or ACT this school year! While many schools remain test optional, meaning SAT test scores are not required to be sent as part of the admissions process, a school may still ask for a student's test scores to determine that they are "college ready." To meet this criterion, a student must have scored the following: Evidence-based Reading & Writing: 480 and Math: 530
SAT for Juniors - A major change to the SAT is that starting in March 2024, all SAT exams given will be digital. Click here to find upcoming test dates for the 2023-2024 academic year. Juniors will take the School Day SAT in March 2024, and are recommended not to test before then as they will not have covered some material yet.
ACT – Click here to find upcoming test dates for the 2023-2024 academic year.

College and Career Planning:
- College Center Advisors are currently presenting in all Senior English 4 classes to discuss all things related to the college application process and Schoolinks account setup/utilization.
- Open lab in the college center is as follows:
  - During lunch
  - Off campus (7th period)
  - After school (on occasions if we’re in a classroom presentation throughout the day)
  - On very few occasions, the college center will be closed due to presentations or trainings.
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Twitter: @westsidehigh

Quick Links

Submit stories and photos for eNews: barbara.nassab@houstonisd.org

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School Web Address: https://www.houstonisd.org/westsidehs

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