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from Westside High School

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English I & II STAAR Testing This Week

This week, STAAR testing will begin at Westside. The English I test for 9th graders will be administered tomorrow, Tuesday, April 10th. The English II test for 10th graders will be given on Thursday, April 12th. Students must pass to graduate, so please encourage a good night's rest and get them to school on-time.

Students who are not testing on those days will

have a later start. Non-testers will begin classes at 1:00 PM on April 10 and 12. Lunch will be available at 12:30 PM if desired. Please note that bus service will not be altered, so bus riders must ride on the normal schedule and will report to the Learning Commons if not testing.

Juniors and seniors who require a re-take of the English I or English II exams

will be notified by a special call-out. Please check with your student's dean if you have any questions.

Please see altered Bell Schedule for the week below.

Altered Bell Schedule April 9-13 STAAR Testing

Monday	Regular Schedule for Periods 1-7
Tuesday	English I STAAR Testers arrive by 7:45 AM Non-Testers arrive by 1:00 PM (Lunch 12:30 PM) 1:05-2:10 PM 2nd Period 2:15-3:15 PM 4th Period
Wednesday	Regular Schedule for Periods 1-7
Thursday	English II STAAR Testers arrive by 7:45 AM Non-Testers arrive by 1:00 PM (Lunch 12:30 PM) 1:05-2:10 PM 4th Period 2:15-3:15 PM 6th Period
Friday	Odd Block (Periods 1, 3, 5, & 7) with Guidance

Calendar

April 9-13

Prom Ticket Sales, Commons,
Mon., Wed., Fri. A-Lunch,
Tues. & Thur. 12:30-
1:00 PM

April 10

English I STAAR,
7:45 AM

April 1

English II STAAR,
7:45 AM

April 12-14

Student Directed One Act
Plays, 7:00 PM, Black Box

April 14

ACT at WHS, 8:00 AM

PTO and Alumni Association Scholarships

Applications Now Open

Westside's PTO and Alumni & Friends group award scholarships to graduating seniors every year. Applications are available in the College Center, or click [here](#) to print at home.

The PTO awards \$1000 scholarships to five students who have demonstrated their Westside spirit through involvement in school activities. The Alumni & Friends group awards \$500 scholarships to two seniors who have overcome a challenge in their pursuit to graduate and go on to college.

Applications are due by May 1. Scholarship applications are managed by the Westside High School Scholarship Committee, a school-based educational support team made up of Westside Faculty and Staff under the direction of the College Counselor. Neither PTO nor Alumni and Friends are involved in the selection process.

Scholarships will be presented at Senior Honors Night on May 21st.

Together With Tech District Competition

HISD's Second Annual Together with Tech Student Conference was held on Saturday, April 7, at the Hattie Mae White Educational Support Center. The theme was "Mind, Body, and Soul of Houston." Students brainstormed solutions to assist the community with the use of technology. The primary objective of the conference was to encourage future Global Graduates to use technology in a manner that positively impacts their communities and others.

Westside student Carlos Espinol created an app that helps connect students to their community. The app allows students to immediately contact their Principal, Dean, Social Worker or other adult at their school with whom they feel comfortable talking to in the event of a crisis. Carlos, along with Myra Khan, presented his app in the Together with Tech competition, and won second place.



Carlos Espinol and Myra Khan

Lacrosse Senior Day



As the 2018 regular season winds down and playoffs are on the horizon, Westside Lacrosse took a few minutes at half-time on Saturday to honor their seniors; Aiden McQuerry, Oskar Oberg, and Will Collier (team captain). Coach Michael Matlock recounted their contributions to the team, stating "These three seniors leave the program with a legacy of passion for the game. It is because of the efforts and leadership of these individuals that the Westside Lacrosse program has such a bright future."

Good luck, LAX Seniors!

What is Westside Wishes?

By Kathy Stallings, PTO Co-President

It's that time of year again when we request your support of our teachers through the PTO's "Westside Wishes" campaign. We asked our teachers, "What item do you really need for your classroom or program that will improve students' learning experience?" You can help to provide the requested items! Click [here](#) to visit our Go Fund Me page. Click [here](#) to see the items requested by teachers.

Teachers requested items to support student learning in academic subjects, as well as learning activities. Set-building for Theater productions will go much faster with several new drills--\$120 each. Drill team will kick for joy with a new portable sound system--\$180. Signs and display boards for \$170 will help the college center point students to the pathway of success. Building independence and life skills for special education students with cooking, cleaning and laundry supplies is a way for a small donation of \$7-\$30 to make a big difference. It is not all work and no play—a request has also been made for a \$175 couch.

Look through the list and see what calls out to your interest and budget. Donations of

any amount are appreciated. For example: \$75 can purchase a dry erase board for the College Center.

There are many ways you can help:

1. Donate to the Go Fund Me page or by check made out to "Westside HS PTO" with "Wishes" in memo. If you would like to sponsor a particular item, simply email our Westside Wishes chairperson, Pamela McCullough, at makoa2136@gmail.com.
2. If you wish to directly purchase a requested item and physically deliver it to the school, just let Pam McCollough know. This a great way to search for online bargains or use credit card "points" toward purchase such as Surface Pro 3 or Ipad mini. Receipts can be provided for donation of goods.
3. Gift Cards are needed. Feel free to re-gift unwanted cards you do not plan to use. Any denominations, any stores/restaurants.

Help us spread the word about Westside Wishes. The fundraiser will be extended until later in April.

Inertia “Storms” Philly and NYC

Last month, the Inertia Dance Co. traveled to Philadelphia to participate in the Philadelphia Youth Dance Festival, and then traveled on to New York City for a cultural tour. Though their initial flight was canceled due to the Nor'easter that paralyzed transportation and travel, and threatened to ruin their plans, they were able to shift their itinerary, and enjoy the sights of both the City of Brotherly Love and the City that Never Sleeps. Inertia was one of just 28 groups selected to participate in the festival, and the **ONLY** public high school included. Inertia sends a big shout-out to our Principal, Mrs. Stewart, for going along on the trip and “vibing out” with them!



Tennis Takes Home Hardware from District, Two Advance to Regionals



Left to right: Megan Heng, Elisa Rodriguez, Darian Arasteh, Raymond Noble, Jordan Jovtchev, Celine Le

Westside Tennis made a great showing at the District tournament last week. Elisa Rodriguez placed first in Girls Singles and Jordan Jovtchev took second place in Boys Singles. Both will in advance to Regionals, April 19-20.

In Doubles, Raymond Noble and Darian Arasteh placed third in Boys Doubles, Megan Heng and Celine Le placed fourth in Girls Doubles, and Nadia Roesmeladi and Johnson Zhou placed fourth in Mixed Doubles.

Congratulations to the Tennis Team and Coach Risolio on a great year, and good luck to Elisa and Jordan at Regionals! Go Wolves!

Ladies Golf News

Westside senior, Niccia Pollard, pictured on the left, shot a 77 at the District Golf Tournament last week. She placed second and advances to Regionals. Saikati Gikonyo (pictured right) is also advancing to Regionals as an alternate medalist.

Niccia will be attending Prairie View A&M University in the fall on a golf scholarship.

Way to Go, Lady Wolves! Good luck at Regionals!



Check Out the New Wolf Mural



Shout Out to

WHS Choir



and



Wind Ensemble

Straight Ones at UIL!

Announcements

A graphic featuring a basketball hoop and net against a blue sky background. Red banners at the top read "LESS THAN 5 WEEKS UNTIL THE AP EXAMS!" and "PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT". Text on the left says "AP CLASSES WORK ON THE CRAM PLAN FROM 3:15-4:15 IN THE LEARNING COMMONS". Text on the right says "WORK TOWARDS A 5!".

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Dual Credit 2018-2019

Get a head start on college!
Go to the HUB to find registration in-
structions, forms, and deadlines.

Questions?

See Dean Matlock in N2 or
contact smatlock@houstonisd.org.

Top Quartile Juniors!

On **April 12th**, there will be a **NATIONAL** college fair at the
NRG Center where hundreds of schools from all over the country
—including *Ivy League* and other *Highly Selective Schools*—will be in
attendance.

The NACAC logo features a yellow star with two green swooshes trailing behind it.

NACAC
National
College Fairs

**If you are in the
Top 25% and
would like to go,
come by A205 to
pick up a
permission form.**

Announcements

A graphic for a film festival announcement. It features two circular frames on the left, each containing a close-up of a film reel and a strip of film. The background is dark grey. To the right of the frames, the text 'Film Festival' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below this, a horizontal line separates the title from the event details. The details are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font: 'Come Join Us for the Film Festival!!!', 'April 17th', and 'Get your tickets from Film Club Officers and Members'. At the bottom of the graphic, a white rectangular box contains a paragraph of text.

Film Festival

Come Join Us for the Film Festival!!!

April 17th

Get your tickets from Film Club Officers and Members

Have you got your golden ticket? The 2018 Westside High School Film Festival is on Tuesday, April 17th from 5:30 to 8:30. Come and join us in the Learning Commons and enjoy a night of student-created films. You can purchase your \$10 golden ticket from any WHS Film Club member or stop by L110 during lunch or after school.

A graphic for a French exchange student announcement. It has a dark blue background. At the top, a white rectangular box contains the text 'HOST A FRENCH EXCHANGE STUDENT' and 'OCTOBER 17TH - OCTOBER 29TH'. Below this, there are three flags: the French flag, the American flag, and the Westside High School logo. The French flag is on the left, the American flag is in the middle, and the Westside High School logo is on the right. Below the flags, the text 'YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEAK FRENCH!' and 'ALL WESTSIDE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE!' is written in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, two bullet points are listed: '* Learn firsthand about a new culture!' and '* Add experience to your résumé!'. Below the bullet points, the text '* Students who host a French student can go to France next year!' is written in white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text 'See Mr. Alexander in S227 or email' is written in white, sans-serif font, followed by the email address 'ralexan6@houstonisd.org' in a blue, underlined font, and 'for information!' in white, sans-serif font.

HOST A FRENCH EXCHANGE STUDENT
OCTOBER 17TH - OCTOBER 29TH

Collège & Lycée
SACRÉ-CŒUR

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEAK FRENCH!
ALL WESTSIDE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE!

* Learn firsthand about a new culture!
* Add experience to your résumé!

* Students who host a French student can go to France next year!

See Mr. Alexander in S227 or email ralexan6@houstonisd.org for information!



Class of 2018 News

Senior Countdown

Senior Dues \$200
Submit payment in cash in A205
Or pay by credit card:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/>

Prom May 4

Senior Honors Night
Monday, May 21
6:30-9:00 PM

Senior Check-Out
May 30, 1-3 PM

May 31

8:30 AM Senior Panoramic Photo
10:30 AM Grad March

Senior Picnic June 1st, 12-2 PM

Graduation Ceremony
Saturday, June 9th
3:00 PM at NRG Stadium



Prom May 4
8 PM—12 Midnight
Omni Houston Hotel Westside
Eldridge Parkway at Katy Freeway

After Prom, 1-5 AM
Dave & Busters
6010 Richmond

Ticket Sales
April 2—13.....\$75
April 16—20.....\$100

Click [here](#) for contracts

Must present:
Westside Student ID
Signed Contract(s)
Copies of Required IDs

No ticket sold if:
Senior Dues is Unpaid
Credit Appeal is Incomplete

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**Altered
Prom Ticket Sales
this week due to
STAAR Testing!**

**Mon.-Wed.-Fri.
A-Lunch**

**Tuesday/Thursday
12:30-1:00 PM**



Want to try

YOGA?

Thursdays

A and B Lunch

N144

Ms. Lumpkin, Choices Counselor

Saturday Tutorials

Spring Semester

9 AM — 12 Noon

Students must arrive by 9:15!

Bring ID's, laptops & assignments

April	4/21 & 4/28
May	5/5 & 5/19

Westside Wishes 2018

Every year, the PTO asks
our teachers for their

CLASSROOM WISH LIST

Please help us fulfill their
wishes!

Go to our [Go Fund Me page](#)
and
make a contribution!

Please support our PTO Business Partners!

A Cut Above Florals
1396 Eldridge Parkway

AMAZON SMILE
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/76-0633700>

Josephine's Day Spa & Salon
Now re-opened on Eldridge!

Kroger Community Rewards Program
Link your card to Westside HS PTO, #79002

RANDALL'S
LINK YOUR CARD TO #8860

State Farm Insurance Agent: Andrew Maule
\$5 Donation/Quote (832)328-0774

Your patronage is appreciated!

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orchestra/choir fees, and some athletics
fees. [Instructions](#) if needed.
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