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Standard Westside Dress Code Resumes in January 2018

Upon our return to school after Winter Break, we will resume the standard dress-code policy. Following Hurricane Harvey, Westside relaxed the dress code to allow jeans every day. In January of 2018, we will return to the regular policy of jeans on Fridays only. As a reminder, only khaki and black pants, shorts, and skirts will be worn Mondays through Thursdays. Additionally, the official school plaid skirt is allowed.

In the meantime, as we finish up the last two weeks of first semester, please remember to follow the guidelines for outerwear: only official school uniform sweatshirts and jackets may be worn inside the building. Please remember that no hoodies are allowed in the building and may be confiscated. Students may wear any jacket of their choice outside, but they will be required to remove non-uniform jackets when they enter the building.

Official school jackets and other uniform items are available for purchase in the school store. For your convenience, it is open every day before and after school for 15 minutes, as well as during A and B lunches.

For additional details regarding dress code and uniform purchases, please click <u>here</u>.

Calendar

Mon. 12/11 Futures 10th Grade Parents Meeting, Mini-Theatre at 6:00 PM

Pride Booster Meeting, S-100 at 6:00 PM

Tues. 12/12

Choir Winter Concert, Auditorium at 6:00 PM

Thurs. 12/14 Band Winter Concert, Auditorium at 6:00 PM

Fri. 12/15 Ugly Sweater Day

Literacy Empowers You Celebration, A & B Lunches in the Learning Commons

Sat. 12/16 Saturday Tutorials, 9-12

Thur. 12/21 Last day of classes



Chem Club Shares Zeal for Science with Askew Elementary Students

By Ms. Lauren Hacker

Science is pretty cool, especially when you get to teach it using demonstrations and experiments. Thanks to a collaboration between Westside's Chemistry Club and 5th grade teachers at Askew Elementary, the elementary students got to see just how exciting chemistry can be.

Members of the Westside High School Chemistry Club spent 2 months planning and organizing our "Morning of Chemistry" day. Throughout each morning, students learned about heat transfer, pressure and temperature relationships, combustion, polymers, and chemical reactions via a series of demonstrations and hands-on activities. Students were even allowed to take home a few "souvenirs" from the day!

Because science is important throughout all aspects of life, it's important to get students interested early and keep them interested throughout middle school, high school, and life after graduation. Chemistry club hopes to create citizen scientists one demo day at a time, and with the positive feedback from both demo days, we plan to continue these "Mornings of Chemistry" next semester and next school year.









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Band Students Advance from Region Contest

Many Westside Band students competed last weekend at the prestigious Region XXIII Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) Region Audition held at Katy Taylor High School. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding achievement:

Kevin Le- ADVANCING TO AREA- Wind Ensemble 2

Thabar Garcia- ADVANCING TO AREA- Wind Ensemble 2

Justin Shih- ADVANCING TO AREA- Symphonic Winds-3

Yasin Hamed - Symphonic Winds 1

Sean Smeds- Symphonic Winds 2

Jeremiah Green- Symphonic Winds 3 Ethan Tran- Freshman 3 & Advanced in HS Zone 1



Class of 2018 Info & Events



Don't delay! Fee goes up in January!

Dues cover: Cap & Gown Diploma Cover Senior Panoramic Picture Senior Picnic Senior T-Shirt

Amount Due:

\$160 (\$140 Free/Reduced Lunch) Through December 22nd

> On January 8, 2018, dues will go up to \$200

Pay cash/money order in A205

Pay with credit card: <u>https://www.schoolpay.com/</u> <u>Instructions</u> if needed.

Yearbooks Make

Perfect Holiday Gifts

Looking for a nice holiday gift for your Westside student? Maybe a 2018 Westside Yearbook would be the perfect choice? It is a lasting high school memento for students in all grade levels.

To purchase a 2018 Canidae Westside yearbook, you can visit <u>www.Smart-Pay.com</u> to pre-order your book online. The cost of the book is \$85.

If you have questions or need information about cash orders and senior ads, please contact Ms. Roberts at <u>srobert2@houstonisd.org</u>.

Join the PTO

so your senior is eligible

to apply for a
Senior Spirit Scholarship

(applications available in March of 2018)

Print your <u>form</u> now! Deadline extended to December 21!



PARENT MEETING - DEC. 14TH - 6:30 PM S100 Westside Wolves Love to Travel!



Bonjour, Quebec & Montreal! July 2018

Westside's French teacher, Mr. Robert Alexander, is hosting a trip to Canada this summer, July 10-15, 2018. All Westside students and families are invited to enroll.

No language requirement. Click <u>here</u> for additional information and detailed itinerary. Contact Mr. Alexander if you are interested in participating: <u>ralexan6@houstonisd.org</u> Paris/Amsterdam Parent Meeting



Dec. 6th S100 - 6:30 Trip - Summer 2018

Sp Adobe Spark

Soccer Festival a Big Success











Saturday Tutorials This Saturday!

Last chance this semester!

December 16th

9:00am -12 Noon

Please note:

Students must arrive by 9:15 AM

-bring IDs, laptops, and assignments-

Quick Links

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

HISD Web Address:

https://www.houstonisd.org

Subscribe to receive eNews by eMail: <u>click here</u> Please mark your calendar for Winter Break



Last day of classes ^{is} Thursday, December 21st Full day, until 3:15 PM

> Classes resume ^{on} Monday, January 8 at 7:45 AM

Have a safe and relaxing break!

Yearbook Orders:

Submit news and pics to the eNews:

newsatwhs@gmail.com

School Pay:

Pay your senior dues, Power Up, band/ orchestra/choir fees, and some athletics fees here. <u>Instructions</u> if needed.

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