November 6, 2017

Clubs & Orgs Round Out the Westside Experience

Joining a club or organization can greatly enhance the high school experience for many students. In addition to meeting new people and exploring a shared interest, getting actively involved with an organization gives students a sense of belonging.

Westside offers dozens of clubs and organizations for our students to round out and add dimension to their high school experience. Offerings vary widely and aim for different goals, including leadership development, community service, pursuit of hobbies, preparation for academic competitions, exploration of career pathways, and enjoyment of cultural and social activities.

Students are encouraged to try out different options until they find the right fit. Meaningful participation is key to building a great resume for college applications and employment opportunities. College admissions representatives caution against sacrificing quality for quantity. Make a commitment to a few things that are relevant to you; don't just put your name down for ten groups and then never show up.

You can review the list of clubs and organizations offered at Westside here. The list is constantly growing so check back often as you may find something new that you wish to pursue.

If you do not see what you are looking for, we encourage you to start a new club. Click here to print a New Club Petition. You just need to find a staff member willing to support you as the club sponsor, and gather signatures from a small group of students who share your interest.

Take a chance and explore new opportunities. There is something for everyone.

Calendar

Mon. 11/6

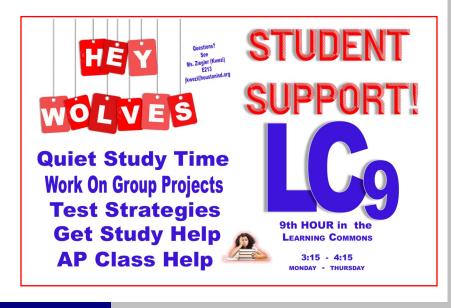
PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM, Library

Sat. 11/11

Super Saturday Credit Recovery, 8 AM-12 Noon

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

Varsity Football vs. Bellaire, Delmar Stadium, 1:00PM (Senior Day Ceremony begins at 12:30 PM)



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Choir Students Advance to Pre-Area



Pre-Area Choir candidates Sarah Jin Haugland and Ben Williams

Westside is opening it's doors this Friday night to welcome over 200 singers and 20 directors from around the greater Houston area to our school. WHS Choir, under the direction of Ms. Natalia Douris, is hosting the first evening of rehearsals for Region Choir Weekend. Two Westside Choir students, Sarah Haugland and Ben Williams, have advanced to Pre-Area auditions and will be participating in the event. Break a leg, Sarah and Ben!

Super Saturday Fall Schedule

Nov.11 8am-12Noon Credit Appeal Session

Nov.18 8am-12Noon Credit Appeal Session

Fall Schedule Saturday Tutorials 9:00am -12 Noon

Please note:

Students must arrive by 9:15 AM

November 11

December 2

December 16

—bring IDs, laptops, and assignments—
Save the dates!

Westside High School

Community Showcase

For Prospective Students and Families!

November 28 at 5:30 PM
Show up so we can show off!
Check out our:

Instructional Programs, Clubs & Orgs,
Sports Programs, and More!

Canada Trip

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 here for additional information and detailed itinerary.

Contact Mr. Alexander if you are interested in participating: ralexan6@houstonisd.org

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Class of 2018 Info & Events

Skate Night

Wednesday, November 15 7:00 PM Dairy-Ashford Roller Rink 1820 S. Dairy-Ashford Houston, TX 77077

Tickets

\$10 in Advance
For sale during A Lunch until Nov. 8

\$20 at the Door \$10 Tee-Shirts

Have you paid your Senior Dues?

Dues cover:

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

Amount due:

\$140 (\$100 F/R Lunch)

If paid before November 17th

\$160 (\$140 F/R Lunch)

If paid November 17th - December 22nd

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

Pay cash/money order in A205

Pay with credit card: https://www.schoolpay.com/

<u>Instructions</u> if needed.

Senior Portraits

Great news!

Prestige Portraits will be here at Westside to take Senior Portraits, plus Cap & Gown pictures.

If you haven't had the opportunity to go and have your portrait done, now is your chance.

Prestige Photographers will be located in the Learning Commons on:

November 15, 16 & 17 7:45 AM - 3:15 PM

To make an appointment, see Ms. Roberts in E244, to sign up for a time.

The sitting fee is \$20 [cash only], paid at the time you make your appointment.

Appointments are made first come first serve.

The sitting fee is non refundable.

You can also make an appointment for a retake,

The absolute final deadline for Senior portraits to appear in the yearbook is November 18th.

If you have questions: Email Ms. Roberts at <u>srobert2@houstonisd.org</u> Or call 281. 920. 8000 ext. 036244 October 30, 2017 Page 4

PTO Meeting Tonight!

November 6th
7:00 PM
In the Library

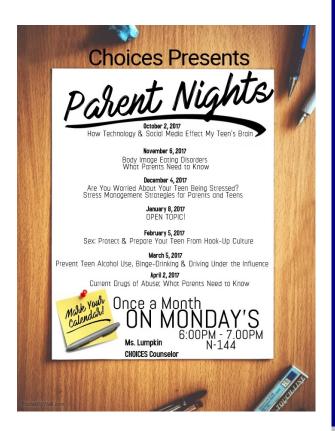
Save the dates for future meetings:

Jan. 8

Feb. 5

Mar. 5

Apr. 2



Have you joined the PTO?

Print your <u>form</u> and send it in soon.

For Senior Spirit Scholarship eligibility, membership is required by December 1.

Quick Links

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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