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## Ms. McClintock Receives Award from Texans



Westside's Structured Learning Center teacher, Kristen McClintock, received a surprise classroom visit from Houston Texans Linebacker, Brian Peters. Peters presented Ms. McClintock with a Stars in the Classroom Award, sponsored by the Texans and First Community Credit Union. Ms. McClintock was nominated by her student, Emily Foust, for making a difference in her educational experience. Ms. McClintock received a custom ball, a gift card, and two tickets for a Texans home game. Emily received a football signed by Peters personally during his visit. Peters posed for pictures with Emily and her classmates, and took plenty of time to talk football with his young fans.

During the aftermath of

Hurricane Harvey, Ms McClintock received local, national, and even international media attention for her role helping special needs children in emergency shelters. As a member of Teachers Volunteering in Shelters, a newly formed group of Houstonarea teachers, she volunteered at the GRB helping autistic children. During her media interview. Ms. McClintock said, "It's loud in the George R Brown Convention Center, so I started out by setting up a 'sensory space' that would allow these kids to calm themselves."

Principal Peggi Stewart congratulated Ms. McClintock and said, "It takes a special heart and mind to achieve great things with students with so many special needs."

### Calendar

Tues. 10/31

Volleyball-Play-Offs, Westside vs. Cy-Fair, 6:30 PM, Berry Center

Thur. 11/2

Lacrosse Parent Meeting, 6:30 PM, S100

Thur., Fri., & Sat.. 11/2— 11/4

The Brothers Grimm Spectacular, 7:00 PM, Black Box

Sat. 11/4

Super Saturday Credit Recovery, 8 AM-12 Noon

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

Varsity Football vs. Sam Houston, Delmar Stadium, 6:00PM

Mon. 11/6

PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM, Library

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## Guidance Begins Nov. 1

Guidance Period will begin this week on Wednesday. November 1st. Guidance takes the place of Homeroom Period and is designed to meet the individual needs, interests, and talents of our large and diverse student body. Classes will meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays for 25 minutes.

Teachers and students are involved in making guidance a purposeful and personalized experience. Course offerings fall into four categories, including Academic Reinforcement, Academic Competition, Academic Challenge, and Student Service

## **Super Saturday Fall Schedule**

Nov. 4	8am-12Noon	Credit Appeal Session
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 4

November 11

December 2

December 16

-bring IDs, laptops, and assignments-

Save the dates!

& Leadership. New to guidance this year is the addition of the Freshman Seminar class, which was developed by ninth grade teachers at Westside to ensure that our freshmen have a smooth transition from middle school to high school.

Whether students need extra academic support, college prep assistance, or extra time to meet the demands of leadership and community service activities, Guidance offers a relevant experience for all Westside students. We look forward to supporting your child as they reach their goals with Guidance!

## **Lacrosse Parent Meeting**

Thursday, Nov. 2 6:30 PM in S100

The Brothers Grimm Spectacular

7:00 PM in the Black Box

Canada Trip

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Bonjour, Quebec & Montreal!

July 2018

Westside's French teacher, Mr. Robert Alexander is besting a trip to Canada this gum ander, 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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## APES Classes at Work in Wolf Prairie



New LC<sub>9</sub> Study Session
Offers After-School Options

Westside is introducing a new afterschool opportunity for students seeking a productive space to study and collaborate. Beginning on Monday, November 6th, students will be welcome to use the newly-renovated Library/Learning Commons (LC) for a 9th hour following the regular school day. LC<sub>9</sub> will be offered Monday through Thursday from 3:30-4:15 PM.

Westside teacher, Ms. Jennalee Ziegler, is launching this new initiative and will offer personalized assistance with study skills, time management, stress management, and more. Students may also meet with peers to collaborate productively on group projects, study groups, or shared creative endeavors.

Did you know that Westside has it's own Gulf Coastal Prairie? The Wolf Prairie is on the southwest corner of the campus near the baseball field, and is under restoration. All environmental science classes apply ecological concepts learned in the classroom during practical work sessions out in the Prairie. Ms. Klein's AP Environmental Science students recently spent time tagging and recapturing anoles for the purpose of measuring the population.







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# Homecoming





















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# Highlights





















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# PTO Meeting Tonight!

November 6th
7:00 PM
In the Library

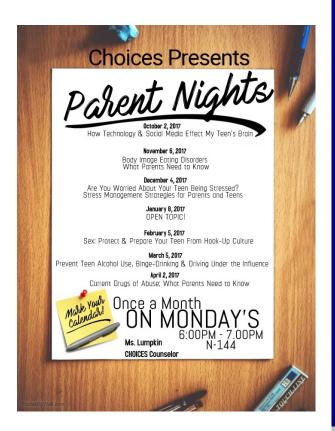
Save the dates for future meetings:

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. Instructions if needed.

https://www.schoolpay.com/

School Web Address:

https://www.houstonisd.org/westsidehs

Yearbook Orders:

https://www.smart-pay.com/

**HISD Web Address:** 

https://www.houstonisd.org