WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



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Important School Hours and Uniform Policy Updates

New School Hours: Westside's school hours will be pushed back to 7:45-3:15 PM. With the earlier start and release time, bus routes will be more consistent and efficient and everyone's commute should be smoother!

School Uniform Updates: Four years ago, our Site-Based Decision-Making Committee ("SDMC") voted to adopt a uniform policy to enhance campus security from the standpoint of identifying unauthorized visitors. A unique challenge of our beautiful 52- acre facility is the large number of entrances in and out of the building.

The SDMC and Westside are committed to a uniform policy that is economical for families, clear and concise for fair enforcement, and a design, logo, and style designed by Westside students.

Recently, the SDMC reviewed the uniform policy to address staff feedback and to add new items based on student survey data. Here are some of the highlights of the updated policy to assist you as you prepare for the school year:

- Additional jacket options based on student requests:
 - Special Edition 20th Anniversary Sweatshirt will be available for \$15, and the price of the classic westside logo crew neck sweatshirt has been reduced to \$15.
 - White Nylon Warm-Up Logo Jacket
 - Westside Spirit Jacket- similar to a letterman jacket
- Fridays/Official Spirit Days: Blue jeans, even if they are ripped or torn, can be worn on Fridays, as long as there is a fabric backing and skin is covered.

The following changes are made to respond to ongoing challenges with student compliance:

- The standard Monday -Thursday color option for skirts, shorts, pants is <u>khaki only</u>,
 or the plaid uniform skirt. No black shorts, black skirts, or black pants are
 permitted.
- No hoodies of any kind are permitted at any time, including Westside athletic hoodies.
- Official Westside sponsored club or organization apparel, including jackets, pullovers and t-shirts, can only be worn on Friday or Spirit Days; they cannot be worn Monday - Thursday.

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• Solid black jackets are **not** permitted as a substitute for the school uniform.

The School Store will be open in the summer, beginning Monday, July 16^{th} . The store's hours are 8:00 am – 3:00 pm, Monday-Thursday; closed for lunch from 11:30 am -12:30 pm.

If you have questions or need to update your phone or email information on file, please contact Mr. Tyrone Davis via email at TDAVIS4@HOUSTONISD.ORG

Thank you for your continued support of Westside High School! GO WOLVES!