



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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20/20 Vision!

Happy New Year and welcome back to the pack, Wolves! As we celebrate our 20th year, hit the ground running on student success by getting in the loop and staying on top of news, information and schedules.

Parents are encouraged to periodically browse the Westside website (www.westsidewolves.org) for important information to assist you as you support your student, and check the school calendar regularly for events and

activities. Watch for the **Wolf eNews** on Mondays to read announcements, news, and highlights. Click [here](#) to subscribe to receive the eNews in your email inbox.

You can also follow us on social media for quick updates and reminders.

Follow Us on Social Media



Facebook: Westside High School



Instagram: [gowestsidewolves](#)



Twitter: [@westsidehigh](#)

Lastly, check out our PTO! Click to peruse their [website](#) and find out how you can get involved. Kick off 2020 by attending the first meeting of the new year TONIGHT in the Learning Commons. Social time begins at 6:30 PM, followed by the meeting at 7 PM. Hope to see you there!

Calendar

January 6

TONIGHT! PTO Meeting in the Learning Commons, Social at 6:30 PM, Meeting at 7:00 PM

January 8

ComedySportz Alumni Match, 7 PM in the Black Box

January 10

Alumni Breakfast, 8 AM in the Learning Commons

January 16-18

Student Written/Directed One Act Plays, 7 PM in the Black Box

January 17

Early Dismissal at 12 Noon

January 20

Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School

January 23

School Tour at 1:30 PM

January 25

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

TONIGHT!

Monday, January 6th

**PTO
MEETING**

6:30 PM Social
7:00 PM Meeting
Learning Commons

VIP Guest Lecturer Visiting Westside



Westside's library/media specialist, Ms. Jennalee Zeigler, announces a special Lunch & Learn opportunity open to all Westside students. On Wednesday, Dr. Irving Finkel, world-renowned Assyriologist, will be here at Westside all the way from Great Britain to share his expertise on the Mesopotamian language of cuneiform! Extra credit for attendance will be awarded to World History students, but all students are encouraged to take advantage of this unique opportunity on our campus. Pack a lunch and eat in the Learning Commons.

Shout-Out to PTO



Thanks to our PTO for providing a terrific holiday Tex-Mex lunch (complete with delicious homemade desserts!) for the faculty and staff in December. We appreciate our PTO Board and all of the parent volunteers!

Softball Shares Holiday Joy



Before the Winter Break, Westside's Softball teams organized a toy drive to share holiday spirit in the community. They delivered the donations to our neighboring Houston Fire Station #86 to support HFD's Toys for Tots program. Coach Boles' dog, Champ, enjoyed participating in this community service project with the Lady Wolves!

Student Leadership Opportunity

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Through Student Leaders®, Bank of America recognizes high school students who lead and serve in their own communities and beyond. We connect Student Leaders to tools and resources to help make communities better.

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- Work as a paid intern at a local nonprofit for eight weeks
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Juniors and Seniors:

Apply from **November 4, 2019** to **January 31, 2020**

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Important FAFSA Reminder for Senior Parents

Important FAFSA Reminder from the Westside College Center for Senior Parents—Get the FAFSA completed ASAP! The priority deadline is January 15th.

Over 60% of our students qualify for FREE money from the government for school—do not walk away from free money! This is an important step to helping fund college and putting yourself in the best position possible for maximum aid.

Info You Need to Complete

FAFSA

- Student and Parent tax information (1040 returns and w-2 forms)
- Date parents married/ separated/ divorced/ widowed
- Social Security numbers (for student and parents)
 - Date of Birth (for student and parents)

Have additional questions?
Check out www.fafsa-houston.org or
contact the Westside College Center:
713-556-5257



Announcements



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENTS-JUST DO IT!

Make-Up Schedule and Procedures

2019 FALL SEMESTER EXAMS

Sign up for make up exams now!



Simply aim your camera at the code. Follow link to survey which will prompt you to select one of the dates below to complete your make up exam! Then, show up! (Final exams are 25% of your course average!)

MAKE UP EXAM SCHEDULE

| Day | Date | Session 1 | Session II | Location |
|---|---------|-------------|---------------|----------|
| Sat | 1/11/20 | 8-10AM | 10:10-12:10PM | S-100 |
| Sat | 1/18/20 | 8-10AM | 10:10-12:10PM | S-100 |
| Sat | 1/25/20 | 8-10AM | 10:10-12:10PM | S-100 |
| Sat | 2/1/20 | 8-10AM | 10:10-12:10PM | S-100 |
| Wednesdays at 7 th period may be used if student has 7 th pd off campus, or upon approval by 7 th pd teacher/dean; student is not permitted to miss instruction from another teacher's course. | | | | |
| Wed* | 1/15/20 | 1:45-3:45PM | n/a | S-217 |
| Wed* | 1/8/20 | 1:45-3:45PM | n/a | S-217 |
| Wed* | 1/22/20 | 1:45-3:45PM | n/a | S-217 |
| Wed* | 1/29/20 | 1:45-3:45PM | n/a | S-217 |

Do Not Use the QR Code

If you need to schedule a make-up exam which is Project, Portfolio, or Performance-based. Instead, the student will need to contact the teacher directly for further instructions.

THURS, JAN 29TH

SENIOR DEADLINE FOR MAKE- UPS
(senior rank calculation)
NO EXCEPTIONS!

SAT, FEB 1ST

UNDERCLASSMEN
DEADLINE FOR MAKE-UP EXAMS.
NO EXCEPTIONS.

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**SENIORS, DID YOU RECEIVE AN “NG” FOR
THE FALL 2019?**

ATTENDANCE APPEAL

FOR SENIORS ONLY

**MANDATORY PARENT MEETING
FOR ATTENDANCE APPEAL APPROVAL**

JANUARY 18, 2020

9:00 A.M.

*To clear all “NGs” for qualified classes, seniors will attend the parent meeting to receive approval for the attendance appeal process. Seniors **MUST** bring a report card. Once approved, each senior will complete one **unit** through Grad Lab for every **unexcused** day.*



ATTENDANCE APPEAL

Spring 2020

SENIORS ONLY

ATTENDANCE APPEAL DATES

January 20 – March 6, 2020

**STUDENTS MUST GET
APPROVAL TO START
CLASSES**

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

**14201 Briarforest
Houston, Texas 77077**

**For more information,
contact**

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Or (713) 556-5248

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HEY, GUESS WHAT?

It's almost time
for...

ALUMNI BREAKFAST

SPREAD THE WORD!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10TH
8:00 AM @ LEARNING COMMONS

Reminder: No hats/caps & please dress appropriately for a school visit

This announcement features a collage of donuts on the left, some of which have smiley face and heart emojis drawn on them. The right side has a blue background with white text. A white banner at the bottom contains a reminder about school visit attire.



AFTER SCHOOL BEGINNER
BREAKING LESSONS

TRAIN.CREATE.EXPLORE
IN ROOM X121

Mondays from 3:30–5:30 PM
ALL LEVELS WELCOME

This announcement has a black background with green polka dots at the top. It includes three polaroid-style photos of students performing breakdancing moves in a gymnasium. A large green brushstroke is at the bottom right.

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Saturday Tutorials

Next Session

January 25

9-10 AM

10-11 AM

11 AM-12 Noon

Bring ID's, laptops, and assignments!
No hoodies please!

*Does your student
need some extra help?*

*Send them to
lunch / after school
tutorials!*

*Click [here](#) for the
Westside Tutorials
Schedule*

They may attend any teacher's
session to suit their own schedule.

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The WHS Playwriting Class Presents:

SWADOAPS

The Wandering Walkman

January 16th-
18th @ 7pm in
the Black Box



Tickets are \$5
in advance and
\$7 @ the door

Written and Directed by TPRO Playwrights

VIPS

Do you plan to VOLUNTEER this year?

Athletics ~ Band
PTO ~ Field Trips ~ T-Pro

- You must be cleared through HISD
- Renewal required every year



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