



June 22, 2020

Congratulations to the Westside Class of 2020

Best wishes to our Class of 2020!

These Wolves persevered through disruptions, disappointments, isolation, and cancelations, and they endured despite the season of uncertainty created by the Covid-19 pandemic. Their resilience was finally rewarded on June 14th when graduation became official during a virtual ceremony broadcast online.

Virtual Graduation Ceremony: All are welcome to join in on the celebration of the Class of 2020 by viewing the Virtual Graduation Ceremony here: https://westside-hs.stageclip.com/.

June 5th Cap & Gown Celebration:

As they awaited the official Virtual Graduation, our seniors enjoyed an opportunity to gather together in person on campus for the first time in many weeks at the June 5th city-wide Senior Celebration sponsored by HISD and Mayor Turner. Westside's dedicated PTO kicked-off the festivities of the day by organizing a final "cruise-by" parade to honor seniors, with deans, teachers, and staff lining the horseshoe driveway to cheer them on. Go Wolves! Additional candid photos on pg. 12 & 13.

















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AP Test Results Expected on July 16th

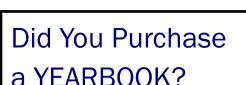
Student AP Scores will be available **Thursday**, **July 16**th. For more information, go to:

AP Student Score Reporting 2020

- Log into your My College Board account
- Make sure College Board has your up-to-date email address.
- Do NOT create a duplicate account—-if you forgot your password, click "forgot password" or call College Board. (Creating another account will cause problems with score reporting and/or future AP classes.)
- Also find information about sending your scores to Colleges, scholarships, etc.

Curious about what colleges accept which AP scores?

<u>Getting Credit & Placement: College Board Page</u>



We apologize for any inconvenience caused by cancelation of the June 15th Yearbook pick-up session. Yearbook pick-up will be rescheduled in early July. Once a date and time have been confirmed, notifications will be posted.





PARENTS: Please take this important survey!

FROM HISD:

In order to guide decision-making, align academic and social/emotional supports, and increase equity in the 2020-2021 school year, HISD is launching its districtwide HISD COVID-19 Response Parent Survey, which will run through July 2.

Parents are asked to fill out the survey online at HoustonISD.org/
ParentSurvey.

The survey is also available in Spanish, Vietnamese, and Arabic. Included in the survey are general family questions, as well as questions about each child's experience with remote learning. There are a total of 24 questions, with that number increasing if responding about experiences for more than one child.

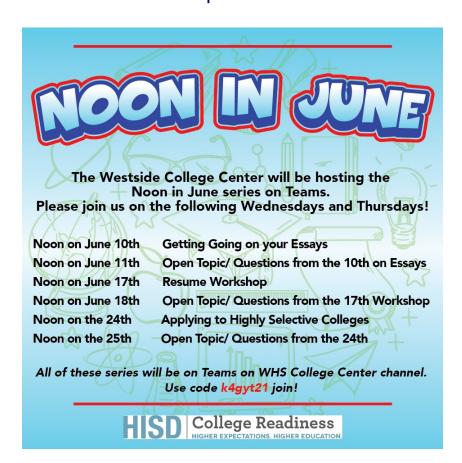
Summer 2020 Assignments

Wolves! Don't fall victim to the "summer slide", that cognitive regression that causes you to say, "I don't remember this from last year."

Stay sharp this summer so you hit the ground running in August! Click <u>here</u> to access your Summer 2020 Assignments, plus take advantage of free digital resources recommended for student enrichment.



Westside College Center Summer Workshops for Class of 2021



It's not too late for rising seniors to take advantage of this ongoing virtual summer series offered by Westside's College Center.

And it's not too early to take care of college application tasks. Put in some work now to avoid deadline stress in the fall.

This week's workshop provides insights into applying to highly selective colleges. Join on Teams on Wednesday and Thursday at 12 Noon.

College is on the horizon!

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Student Builds On-Campus Hotel for Bees



The Westside High School garden has a new addition. This "pollinator hotel" was created and installed by Holly Lillibridge, class of 2021, as her Girl Scout Gold Award project. It is expected to enhance the success of a variety of plants grown in our on-campus garden. It was dedicated on Friday, May 29, with the assistance of Holly's teacher, Mr. Spence, along with support from the Ecology club.

BPA 2019/2020



Business Professionals of America: Seniors, Westside High School Chapter 2019/2020



Business Professionals of America: Westside High School State Qualifiers 2020

Are you enrolled in Virtual Summer School?

Go to class and turn in your assignments!

Last Day: July 2nd

Some Seniors to Receive Senior Dues Refund

Expenditures from 2020 Senior Dues have now been finalized and total cost is \$100 per student. Seniors who paid more than \$100 will receive a refund for the difference accordingly. This policy only applies for school year 2019-2020.

For students owed a refund, those who made original payment by SchoolPay will be credited via School Pay. Students who made payments in cash will be issued a refund by check mailed via US Postal Service. If you need to update your mailing address on record with the school, please

Senior Dues Update

Refunds are expected to be issued by the end of July 2020.

Scholarship and Board Award Announcements







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Westside Teachers Rock On Now That School's Out!

Now that "school's out for summer", Westside teachers show you how they take a break! Enjoy this fun video produced by Ms. Merriweather, our instructional technologist. Click here to view:

https://drive.google.com/file/ d/1yVQ4ly9037gYbWi4y8R55lz Bgba2P6AJ/view?usp=sharing







Junior Rankings Go Out by Friday





Virtual College Center College Visits

The Westside College Center is hosting Virtual College Visits this summer. Hear from college reps one-on-one. Reminder: some applications open on July 1, most open August 1.











Monday June 29 10am

Register at: https://bealong-

horn.admissions.ut exas.edu/register/ sign-up

Day of: https://utexas.zoom.us/
j/98589956626

Tuesday

June 30

10am

Register to receive the Zoom link:

https://

recruiter.tamu.edu/ register/

Westside2020Jun30

Wednesday

July 1

10am

Will be hosted on the WHS College Center Teams channel,

code k4gyt21

Thursday

July 2

10am

Register to receive link to attend:

https:/

apply.baylor.edu/ register/?id=0d0fd398 -56ce-4180-b496Thursday

July 2

1pm

Will be hosted on the WHS College Center Teams channel, code k4gyt21

Order Professional Photos from Senior Celebration





June 5th Celebrations

Congratulations to our Grads!

CLICK TO ORDER PHOTOS:

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Summer Camps & Workshops







What makes Rice ELITE Tech Camp unique?

- College-level engineering concepts made for high school students Tech courses on cutting-edge technologies (e.g., machine learning, human spaceflight, internet of things, 3D printing, etc.)
 Engineering problem solving using coding (e.g., Python, R, C++)

- Engineering leadership training Information about engineering majors and how to choose the right one for you

What are the key ingredients of Rice ELITE Tech?

- An ELITE Head Instructor with at least two degrees in engineering
- An ELITE Live instructor (a Rice University engineering student)

 10 hours of live instruction, plus 7.5 hours of self-paced work

 ELITE Small Class assurance (max 7 students per live instructor)
- An ELITE camp performance feedback

Rice ELITE Tech offers high school students a chance to learn cutting-edge technologies and techniques (e.g., artificial intelligence, internet of things, Python coding, R coding, 3D modeling and 3D printing, data analytics, machine learning, etc.).

Registration for **Rice ELITE Tech** is now live! Save \$50 Instantly using the discount code "**ELITETECH500FF**".

Are you ready to build skills to lead the future of engineering and technology?

Learn More & Register:

http://www.rcelconnect.org/ELITECAMP/



Looking for a Job?

Current and Former HISD Students Age 16-24



Workforce Solutions

Services We Offer:

- · Work Experience-Paid Internships
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- Scholarships and Financial Aid
 - o Certificates or degree
- Child Care
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- · Landing a Job Seminar
- · Assessment and Counselors
- Resources

Eligibility Guidelines:

- Proof of eligibility to work in the U.S.
- · Out of School
- Proof of age (16-24)
- Proof of income in the last 6 months or public assistance
- Selective services registration for males 18-25
- Financial Aid Application
- Assessment

HISD Students – Current and former- Virtual information sessions June 17 through June 26th

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/workforce-solutions-traininginternship-virtual-information-session-tickets-109241010804?aff=HISDCounselors

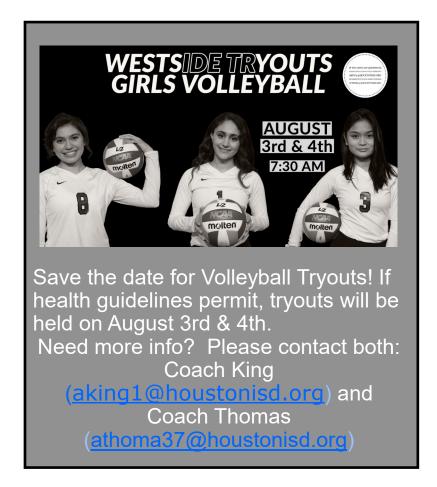
To apply directly:

https://tinyurl.com/wfs-youth-se



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Announcements







We Need Your Support

Wolves Helping Wolves

Scan or Click HERE

SOME OF OUR FAMIL

ARE IN NEED

Make a donation toward GROCERY GIFT CARDS

Westside PTO



Microsoft TEALS

Partnering with Westside for 2020/2021!

We need your help to empower the next generation of Tech Leaders from Westside High School!

- Seeking technical professionals from our community.
- Volunteer to work with our teachers to team-teach computer science.
- Help bring computer science to a broader and more diverse pool of students at Westside.

For more information about our new program, please contact Computer Science teacher, Mrs. Willett:

margaret.willett@houstonisd.org.

For more information about TEALS or to apply to volunteer at Westside, go to: <u> https://microsoft.com/TEAL</u>



TEALS Program Volunteer to give students access to computer science



Help teachers equip students with computer science skills

The Microsoft Philanthropies TEALS (Technology Education and Literacy in Schools) Program connects technical volunteers with high schools to team teach computer science (CS) alongside classroom teachers. By increasing the number of CS teachers, the TEALS Program gives high school students the opportunity to participate in equitable high-quality CS education.



students



volunteers from 750 companies



TEALS schools



Washington DC, and British Columbia, Canada

Volunteers are the backbone of TEALS

TEALS volunteers are essential to inspiring the coders and creators of tomorrow. They work directly with students while coaching teachers to lead courses on their own. Anyone with a CS background and a passion for giving back can apply.

I learned so many things from my CS class I wouldn't have gotten from books or on my own. Our TEALS volunteers were actual programmers who shared what they were working on.

—Saad Rafiq TEALS student, Austin, TX

of students recommend their TEALS course*

43%

now envision a career in CS*

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June 5th Senior Festivities

































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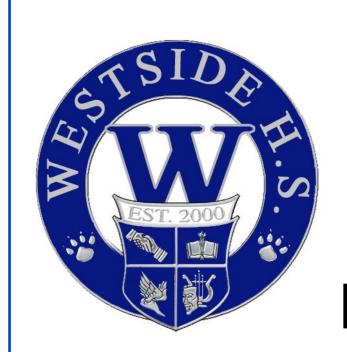












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