



# WOLF E-NEWS

*from Westside High School*

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May 11, 2020

## Celebrating the Class of 2020

Extraordinary times call for extraordinary measures! Just because we can't gather together, we can still celebrate together for our Class of 2020 seniors!

### Senior Honors Week

**May 11-15**

Senior Honors Night is going virtual! Join in on the celebration by following Westside's social media platforms every night this week. New award presentations will take place each night at 20:20 (8:20 PM) all week long. You can catch the posts on:

Twitter: @westsidehigh

Instagram: gowestsidewolves

Facebook: Westside High School

Be sure to like and comment to show your support! If you miss anything, check out the Class of 2020 tab on [www.HowlerNews.com](http://www.HowlerNews.com) Photos, videos, and slide shows will be archived there for you to view and enjoy. Also, don't miss [Senior Superlatives](#) from last week, which are already posted there.

### City-Wide Senior Celebration June 5th

Stay tuned for more details as Westside plans for an in-person cap & gown celebration on our campus, as part of a collaboration between HISD and Houston Mayor, Sylvester Turner. Click [here](#) for the HISD announcement.

### HISD Virtual Graduation Ceremony Beginning June 14

Interim Superintendent, Dr. Grenita Lathan, announced today that HISD will host graduation ceremonies for all 11,000 district seniors virtually.

Stay connected to learn about details for the Westside ceremony as they unfold!

More senior news and photos on pages 6-7

## 20 WESTSIDE SENIOR 20 HONORS WEEK MAY 11 - MAY 15

**MON: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**  
(EACH SUBJECT AREA INCLUDING ATHLETICS)

**TUE: DEANS' AWARDS**

**WED: "HEART OF THE WOLF"**  
(FROM ANY TEACHER TO ANY STUDENT)

**THU: PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS**

**FRI: HISD BOARD AWARDS, PLUS  
SALUTATORIAN & VALEDICTORIAN**

**AWARDS WILL BE REVEALED ON SOCIAL  
MEDIA STARTING 8:20 PM EACH NIGHT**

**#2020WOLFPACKHONORS**

## Westside @ HOME

Regular Schedule of Virtual Classes					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Periods 1,3,5,7 ONLY		Periods 2,4,6 ONLY		Periods 1-7
9:30-12:00	<u>Per 1</u> - 9:30-10:30	<u>Per 1</u> - 9:30-10:30	<u>Per 2</u> - 9:30 - 10:30	<u>Per 2</u> - 9:30 - 10:30	Student Interventions / Tutorials for all periods (Teachers available for help.)
	<u>Per 3</u> - 11:00-12:00	<u>Per 3</u> - 11:00-12:00	<u>Per 4</u> - 11:00-12:00	<u>Per 4</u> - 11:00-12:00	
12:00-1:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-3:00	<u>Per 5</u> - 1:00- 2:00	<u>Per 5</u> - 1:00- 2:00	<u>Per 6</u> - 1:00 - 2:00	<u>Per 6</u> - 1:00 - 2:00	Teacher prep time / Teacher Meetings
	<u>Per 7</u> - 2:00- 3:00	<u>Per 7</u> - 2:00- 3:00			
3:00-3:30	Troubleshooting/ Parent-Student Contact/Dean Referral		Teacher prep time / Teacher Meetings		
	IMPORTANT NOTES				
	Periods 1,3,5,7 Academic Work: due on <b>Thursdays</b>		Periods 2,4,6 Academic Work: due on <b>Mondays</b>		
	* All Lesson are recorded and can be accessed by students at any time.				
	* Mondays & Wednesdays are for teacher instruction.				
	* Tuesdays & Thursdays are for reinforcement and student assistance.				

## Grading & Student Expectations for Cycle 6

### HISD grading policy:

- Teachers will enter numeric grades into GradeSpeed for assignments submitted, and a zero for unsubmitted grades.
- Final exams have been waived for the spring semester, and academic assignments will be weighted evenly.
- The average of Cycle 6 will be posted on the student report card. If there are no grades, a zero will be posted. After grades have been posted, the system will determine whether Cycle 6 will be calculated with the semester grade.

### Are students required to keep working? YES!

Teachers are moving forward with teaching and learning. Assignments are NOT excused.

There ARE consequences of opting out:

- Cognitive regression—forgetting what you learned
- Don't get left behind! 85% of our student body are moving forward and getting ready for next year. Be ready to join them.
- Missed opportunity! Seize the opportunity to enjoy school without pressure of STAAR testing and final exams. Teachers are looking for every opportunity to incentivize students. Do your work!

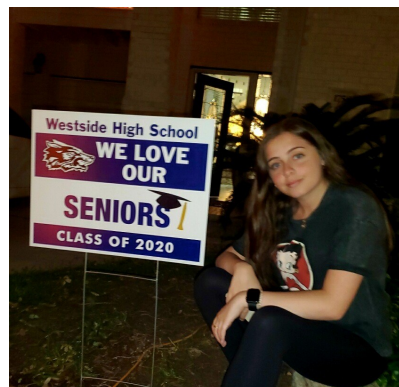
## 2020 AP EXAMS Schedule

**Good luck, Wolves! Do your best!**

	Central Time: 11:00 AM	Central Time: 1:00 PM	Central Time: 3:00 PM
<b>Mon, May 11</b>	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	United States Government and Politics
<b>Tues, May 12</b>	Latin	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Human Geography
<b>Wed, May 13</b>	Physics 2: Algebra-Based	English Literature and Composition	European History
<b>Thurs, May 14</b>	Spanish Literature and Culture	Chemistry	Physics 1: Algebra-Based
<b>Fri, May 15</b>	Art History	United States History	Computer Science A
<b>Mon, May 18</b>	Chinese Language and Culture	Biology	Environmental Science
<b>Tues, May 19</b>	Music Theory	Psychology	Japanese Language and Culture Italian Language and Culture
<b>Wed, May 20</b>	German Language and Culture	English Language and Composition	Microeconomics
<b>Thurs, May 21</b>	French Language and Culture	World History: Modern	Macroeconomics
<b>Fri, May 22</b>	Comparative Government and Politics	Statistics	Spanish Language and Culture

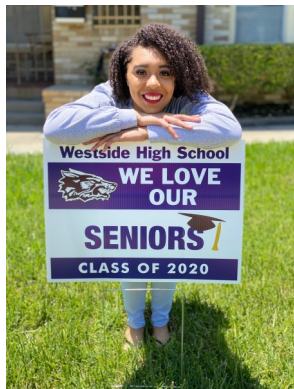


## Celebrating the Class of 2020





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## Senior Yard Signs

Show everyone how proud you are of your  
Westside Senior

# \$10

Click [HERE](#) to order!

Includes free delivery

by PTO volunteers to 77077, 77042 & 77063

Please [email](#) to coordinate delivery to other zip codes.

Only a few left! Order Now!

More info: [whsptovolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:whsptovolunteers@gmail.com)





## Senior Check Out

Seniors, get ready for Senior Check-Out! It is a checklist of sign-offs required for:

- Pick-up of your Cap & Gown
- Receipt of your Diploma
- Issuance of Final Transcript

Watch for an email this week with specific information regarding outstanding items on your personal check-list. Take care of online items as soon as possible!

You will be assigned a time-slot for the week of May 18th-22nd to come to campus and:

- Return laptops
- Drop off school-owned equipment/supplies
- Pick-up caps & gowns after you are cleared

(Note: Face masks and social distancing required)

### Check-Out List

Library – All books must be returned and outstanding fees paid. (Fees may be paid on SchoolPay.com)

Transcript – (Online) Provide details for a final transcript (free) to be sent to your college/university or military.

College Information – (Online) You must update Naviance, including scholarship proof submitted, and complete the *2020 Senior Exit Survey*.

Power Up – Turn in your laptop and all accessories that were issued to you. Pay fees if owed for missing equipment.

Finances – If you owe equipment or fees to Westside, you will be on hold for final check-out. Watch your HISD email for details about returning athletic equipment/uniforms, art supplies, instruments, etc.

Final Check-Out - This is the last stop! If you have completed or cleared all of the above items, you will receive your cap and gown.

*Wolves Helping Wolves*

**SOME OF OUR FAMILIES  
ARE IN NEED**

Make a donation toward  
**GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

Scan or Click [HERE](#)



*Westside PTO*

Can you assist a  
Wolf in Need?

So far over 75  
grocery gift cards  
have been shared with  
our students and the  
need continues.

**Thank You  
for your generosity!**

## Volleyball Tryouts



Save the date for Volleyball Tryouts! If health guidelines permit, tryouts will be held on August 3rd & 4th. Questions? Please contact both Coach King([aking1@houstonisd.org](mailto:aking1@houstonisd.org)) and Coach Thomas ([athoma37@houstonisd.org](mailto:athoma37@houstonisd.org))

## Wolf Band Receives Invite to Elite Festival

The Westside High School Band Program recently received fantastic news. The Wind Ensemble qualified to perform in the *2021 UIL State Wind Ensemble Festival* at Bates Concert Hall at the University of Texas at Austin in May!

The Wind Ensemble received this honor because of its successful UIL history. The musicians will perform their 2021 UIL Concert program for an audience and a distinguished clinician and educator. This is the first time in Westside's history to perform at the Wind Ensemble State level. Bravo to the Westside Wind Ensemble! Such a wonderful honor.





## Lacrosse Updates

### Meeting for New Players



**WESTSIDE LACROSSE**

**MAY 18 4:00P**

**INFORMATION AND TRYOUT MEETING**

RECRUITING DEDICATED NEW PLAYERS FOR JV AND VARSITY FOR FALL 2020 TRYOUTS

FOR Microsoft Teams MEETING INVITE OR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT **CoachMikeSong@gmail.com**

**#unfinishedbusiness**

In 2020, the Wolves were fighting to win the THSLL district championships before the season got cut short. All four seniors were recruited for college. 2021 starts now.

## Interested in Cross Country '20-'21?



**Cross Country**

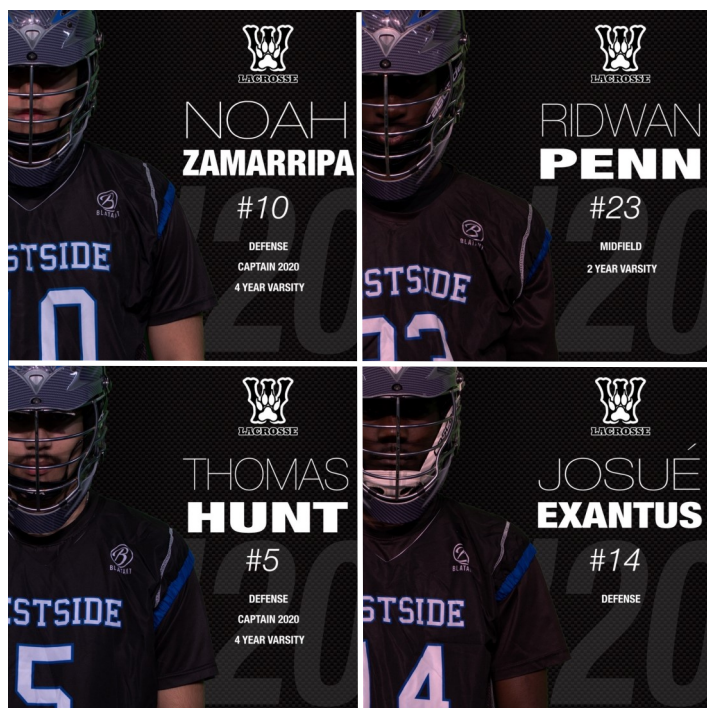
2020-2021

Interested in running cross country ?

Contact Coach Guy by email @

**dguy@houstonisd.org**

### Farewell to Seniors



Player Name	Number	Position	Varsity Years
NOAH ZAMARRIPA	#10	DEFENSE	CAPTAIN 2020, 4 YEAR VARSITY
RIDWAN PENN	#23	MIDFIELD	2 YEAR VARSITY
THOMAS HUNT	#5	DEFENSE	CAPTAIN 2020, 4 YEAR VARSITY
JOSUÉ EXANTUS	#14	DEFENSE	

Great  
Day  
To  
Be  
A  
WOLF!

## Virtual Auditions

# WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL VIRTUAL AUDITIONS

## BAND CHOIR ORCHESTRA THEATRE

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL WOLF BAND

# JOIN BAND

Sign Up Here:  
[bit.ly/wolfband](http://bit.ly/wolfband)

+MARCHING BAND  
+CONCERT BANDS  
+JAZZ GROUPS  
+PERCUSSION

WOLFBAND.ORG

EASY TO SIGN UP!

VIRTUAL AUDITIONS FOR

# Westside Choir

SUBMIT BY MAY 10TH FOR GUARANTEED PLACEMENT

FOR DETAILS GO TO:  
[HTTP://WESTSIDEHSCHOIR.WEEBLY.COM/](http://WESTSIDEHSCHOIR.WEEBLY.COM/)

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE WHS THEATRE PRODUCTION COMPANY.

## Virtual Auditions for Westside Theatre Production Company

Auditions will be held as a video audition submission through Google Classroom. Submissions will have to be turned in with an audition packet by May 15. Email Mr. Nieves at [Anthony.Nieves@HoustonISD.org](mailto:Anthony.Nieves@HoustonISD.org) for more information.

Join us in a fun filled year!

Deadline  
May 15

# T-Pro VIRTUAL AUDITIONS

Join our Theatre Production Family today.

HELP US BRING A PLAY FROM PAGE TO STAGE

What to prepare for the audition:  
-If you are an incoming freshman or auditioning for the JV Theatre Company only prepare one two minute monologue from a published play.  
-If you are a sophomore or junior and want to audition for our Varsity Theatre Company, prepare two Contrasting Monologues from published plays.  
-Complete the audition packet located in the Google Classroom.

Please make sure to complete all the required audition material. Email Mr. Nieves for any questions or clarity!

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

# Orchestra Info

Audition Information:  
<https://bit.ly/westsideorch>

• String Orchestra - Chamber Ensembles •

WESTSIDEHSORCHESTRA.WEEBLE.COM  
WESLEY SMITH, ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR  
[WESLEY.SMITH@HOUSTONISD.ORG](mailto:WESLEY.SMITH@HOUSTONISD.ORG)



## Virtual Auditions

# CHECK OUT OUR VIRTUAL TRY-OUTS! CHEER COLOR GUARD INERTIA PRIDE

**Pride Thru April 24**

*Pride Dance Team*



*Virtual Auditions begin April 13th-24th*  
Please join our google classroom for access to auditions code:ja24ofg



**Cheer May 4-7**

WESTSIDE  
HIGH SCHOOL

**CHEER**  
VIRTUAL  
TRYOUTS  
**May  
4th- 7th**

Stay connected  
@westsidevarsitycheer

With continued closures and restrictions Westside Cheer  
will be conducting Virtual Tryouts.  
ONLINE APPLICATION AND TRYOUT INFORMATION  
COMING SOON!  
Google Classroom Code otrlh5a

**Inertia May 11-15**

THE INERTIA PROGRAM  
2020-2021

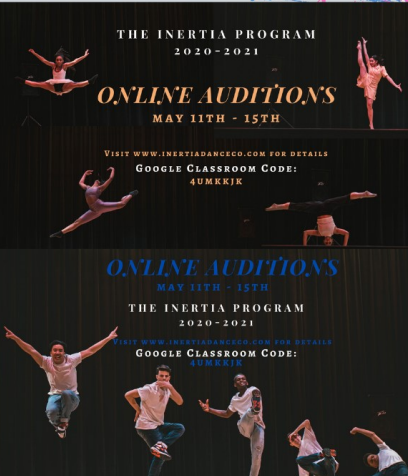
**ONLINE AUDITIONS**  
MAY 11TH - 15TH

VISIT [WWW.INERTIADANCECO.COM](http://WWW.INERTIADANCECO.COM) FOR DETAILS  
GOOGLE CLASSROOM CODE:  
4UMKKJK

**ONLINE AUDITIONS**  
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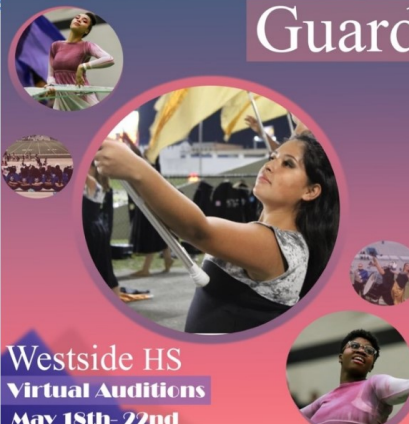
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**Color Guard May 18-22**

**Color  
Guard**



Westside HS  
Virtual Auditions  
May 18th- 22nd

Join our Google Classroom!  
Code: 34k444g

*no experience needed*  
*Extra \$4 and Fine Arts credit*

Questions? Feel free to email [nicole.kabatsky@houstonisd.org](mailto:nicole.kabatsky@houstonisd.org)



# WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

## Resources You May Need



**Food Distribution Sites  
Week of May 11  
Click [here](#) for Details**

### Westside Student Support Center

- ♦ Attendance Appeals
- ♦ Absences
- ♦ Emotional Support

Monday—Friday 9-12 & 1-3:15

[cbyrd@houstonisd.org](mailto:cbyrd@houstonisd.org)

[aaren.scott@houstonisd.org](mailto:aaren.scott@houstonisd.org)



Westside students in need of assistance with groceries may contact a staff member below to request a

\$25 grocery store gift card:

Ms. McIntosh:

[Ciera.McIntosh@houstonisd.org](mailto:Ciera.McIntosh@houstonisd.org)

Ms. Lumpkin:

[Ebony.Lumpkin@houstonisd.org](mailto:Ebony.Lumpkin@houstonisd.org)

Dean Edith Gozalez:

[EGonza15@houstonisd.org](mailto:EGonza15@houstonisd.org)

Ms. Byrd-Williams:

[cbyrd@houstonisd.org](mailto:cbyrd@houstonisd.org)

Mr. Scott:

[Aaren.Scott@houstonisd.org](mailto:Aaren.Scott@houstonisd.org)

**Need to talk?**

**Do you want emotional support?**



**Email your name & school ID only:**

[ebony.lumpkin@houstonisd.org](mailto:ebony.lumpkin@houstonisd.org)

or

[ciera.mcintosh@houstonisd.org](mailto:ciera.mcintosh@houstonisd.org)

## Westside High School



## Home of the Wolves!



## Announcements

**YES! We will have a  
2020 YEARBOOK!**

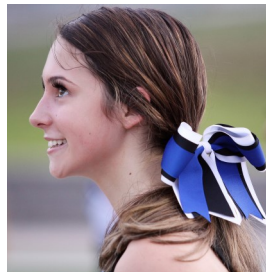
**\$85—Only a few books left for sale!**

**The *2020 Westside Canidae*  
has been sent off to the Printer!**

Completion Date: Pending  
Distribution Dates/Method: TBD  
(according to public health ordinances)

[www.Balfour.com](http://www.Balfour.com).

questions, please email  
[srobert2@houstonisd.org](mailto:srobert2@houstonisd.org)



Order yours today! [www.Balfour.com](http://www.Balfour.com).

## 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](mailto:margaret.willett@houstonisd.org).

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



**TEALS Program**  
Volunteer to give  
students access to  
computer science





Medgar Evers College Preparatory School, Brooklyn, NY


#### 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.

 **21,000**  
students  
served

 **1,800**  
volunteers from  
**750** companies

 **625**  
TEALS  
schools

 **29** US states,  
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

**80%**  
of students recommend  
their TEALS course\*

**43%**  
now envision a career in CS\*

\*2018-19 TEALS student end of year survey



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Of  
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## Quick Links

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GradeSpeed:

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School Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org/westsidehs>

HISD Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org>