



# WOLF E-NEWS

*from Westside High School*

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May 17, 2021

## American Rescue Plan Act Funds: HISD Seeking Input from Students, Parents & Staff

Under the American Rescue Plan Act, HISD will be applying to receive grant funds to address the impact Covid-19 has had on elementary and secondary schools. The district is projected to receive approximately \$800 Million

in grant funds and is seeking input from the public on how to best utilize the funds. Click [HERE](#) for additional information from HISD. A separate survey will be provided directly to students to collect their feedback.

### American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act ESSER III- Parent / Community / Staff Survey

The survey is divided into two sections. Section (1) ESSER III - Allowable Use of Funds/Activities, which ask for parent, community, and staff input on how best to utilize funds; and Section (2) Safe Return for In-Person Learning, which ask for parent, community, and staff input on the timing of targeted activities for student safe return to in-person learning.

Click [HERE](#) to fill out survey!

### Calendar

**May 22**

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

**May 28**

Asynchronous Virtual Day for Students, Professional Development Day for Teachers

**May 31**

Memorial Day Holiday, No School

**June 3—8**

Senior Final Exams

**June 8—11**

Underclassmen Final Exams

**June 11**

Last Day of School

**June 13**

Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony, 5:00 PM at Delmar Field, Tickets Required

## AP Tests & Final Exams

### AP Testing at Westside

All Language, Music Theory, and Math exams will be administered in-person on campus. In-Person AP Testers arrive 30-minutes prior to their test time and meet in the Courtyard:

Arrive at 7:30am for 8:00am AP Exams.

Arrive at 11:30 AM for 12 Noon AP Exams

### AP Testing Schedule

**AP 2021 Testing Updates Page** – The majority of Westside AP courses will take their AP exams during Admin 2 of the new, updated College Board testing schedule. Use this [link](#) for more information.

**Exam Schedule** – click to view the College Board's AP Exam Schedule [HERE](#). Students have been notified about their exam dates/times and details directly from their teacher.

*Good Luck to our AP Testers!*



### Westside HS Spring Final Exam Schedule

2021

In person students may leave following their last class and work virtually for office hours.

#### JUNE

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
31-May		1		2		3		4	
		B DAY		A DAY		B DAY		A DAY	
MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY	REGULAR SCHEDULE	REGULAR SCHEDULE	Senior Finals- 2 & 4		Senior Finals- 1 & 5				
			8:30-10:30	2	8:30-10:30	1			
			10:35-11:35	HR	10:35-11:35	3			
			11:35-12:05	Lunch	11:35-12:05	Lunch			
			12:10-2:10	4	12:10-2:10	5			
			2:15-3:15	6	2:15-3:15	7			
			3:20-4:10	Office Hours	3:20-4:10	Office Hours			
MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
7		8		9		10		11	
A DAY		B DAY		FINALS		FINALS		FINALS	
Senior Finals- 3 & 7		All grade levels 6th		9th - 11th		9th - 11th		9th - 11th	
8:30-9:30	1	8:30-9:30	2	8:30-10:30	1	8:30-10:30	2	8:30-10:30	5
9:35-11:35	3	9:35-11:35	4	10 min passing		10 min passing		10 min passing	
11:35-12:05	Lunch	11:35-12:05	Lunch	10:40 - 12:40	3	10:40 - 12:40	4	10:40 - 12:40	7
12:10-1:10	5	12:10-2:10	6	12:45 - 1	Lunch / Dismissal	12:45 - 1	Lunch / Dismissal	12:45 - 1	Lunch / Dismissal
1:15-3:15	7	2:10-4:10	Office Hours						
3:20-4:10	Office Hours								

\*Note- Some classes are not in their typical order.

GOOD LUCK ON YOUR FINAL EXAMS & HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!

GO WOLVES!

## CodeJam Winners



*Congratulations to our winners:*

	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
<b>Advanced</b>	Siddarth Agarwala	Carolyn Heron	Davet Cabrera/ Adrien Chew
<b>Intermediate</b>	Cecilia Jeffers	Juan Oliveros	Dhitri Gupta
<b>Beginner</b>	Naoufal Ennadi/ Sama Ennadi	Mariah Bellow	Tied: Mariah Bellows Amy Garcia

## Staff Spotlight Presented by PTO

### Staff Spotlight of the Week

**Jerry Gonzalez**



Fine Arts  
Concert Band, Wind Ensemble and  
Marching Band Director

Attended **Stephen F. Austin State University** and graduated with a Bachelor of Music in Education, and stayed on as a Graduate Teaching Assistant for a Master's Degree in Conducting, which involved working with the Lumberjack Marching Band, Roarin' Buzzsaws Pep Band, and directing University Band in their Spring Concert.

**I have been at Westside for** going on 8 years now, but I've been teaching since 2009. This has been my first year as Head Band Director and I am humbled to be given the chance to lead this program with an amazing staff and wonderful students!

**I chose to be an educator because** I was impacted and influenced by so many of my own band directors and music educators. Music and education has left such a significant impression on who I am as a person, and I wanted to pay that back by serving future musicians and educators.

**I love Westside High School because** the administration team knows and shows the value of our craft, but also because the students have the work ethic and drive to "make things happen" when they seem almost impossible. Every time I can recall asking students to step up and make miracles happen, they have!

**My favorite memory from when I was in high school...** There really are so many! Football games, marching contests, band trips, you name it! Like we tell our own band students, I have no real memory of ratings and scores and such, but I have such fond memories of being around friends and working together to make music happen!

**If I wasn't at Westside, I'd be...** Operating my own food truck – "Tacos y Tortas Gonzalez" – and hitting up parking lots all over town! I'm pretty handy in the kitchen, and while I'm pretty sure music is my true calling, making some yummy food is a close second!

## AP Scholar Awards

### 2019-2020 Westside High School Advanced Placement Scholar Awards

<b>AP SCHOLAR</b> <i>These students earned a 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams</i>	Guillermo Lopez Arooj Maqsood Albert Nguyen Tuan Nguyen Thereza Nicolas Natalie Ramirez Sabrina Rapini Abhishikta Ravula Evan Roach	<b>AP Scholar with Honor</b> <i>These students earned an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams</i>	<b>AP Scholar with Distinction</b> <i>These students earned an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams</i>	Clayton Smith Giuliana Velez Hayley Vu Annie Yang
Ana Alvarez Adonis Blaine Mia Carrasco Henry Castillo Acevedo Joseph Coolidge Jocellin Cruz Olivia Daniell Luisana De Los Rios Brittany Ekezie Chinonso Ezekwesili Sarah Frain Clara Gillis Nicholas Gim Henry Gonzalez Anna Guidry Amir Hamed Devin Hanif Dalton Hawe Weikai Ji Sri Kannah Mahintha Karthik Jessica Kwartler Savina Laguna	Kevin F. Rodriguez Valentina Rodriguez Carmen Salazar Esha Salian Sophia Sharafati Janine The Claudia Tejada Shrikar Thangavel Fabian Thomas Tytianna Thompson Natalie Truong Karim Tufail Christofer Tzoc Delfino Tzul Alexander Way Ian Williams Sripad Yadagiri Dina Yelaman Noella Yellowe	Caleb Awa-Gabriel Daniella De Sousa Amy Garcia Maria Garcia David GonzalezBaquero Andrew Herlong Ana Heron Farzaan Hussain Corina Llorente Petros Samuel McRaven Hiran Mirhashemi Rafael Morales Salazar Ethan Nava Maldonado Matyas Negash Eva Serrano Sean Sobremesana Maya Todorovic Estevan VillagranaOcas Alexander Zavala	Chandler Bannis Allison Biek Hannah Broll Erin Brooks Genevieve Ellis Aishi Gulati Gloria Huan Christian Hudson Sophia Huynh Cecilia Jeffers Divya Joshi Zoe Ly Kayla Meins Nicholas Mitri Olivia Nixon David Pilson Rohith Raman Fadi Sameer Maya Sebbar Sara Shamaly	<b>National AP Scholar</b> <i>These students earned an average score of at least 4 on all AP Exams and scores of 4 or higher on 8 or more of these exams</i> Aishi Gulati Rohith Raman <b>Capstone Diploma</b> <i>These students earned scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on 4 additional AP Exams</i> Kayla Meins Rohith Raman <b>AP Seminar and Research Certificate</b> <i>This student earned a score of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research</i> Giuliana Velez

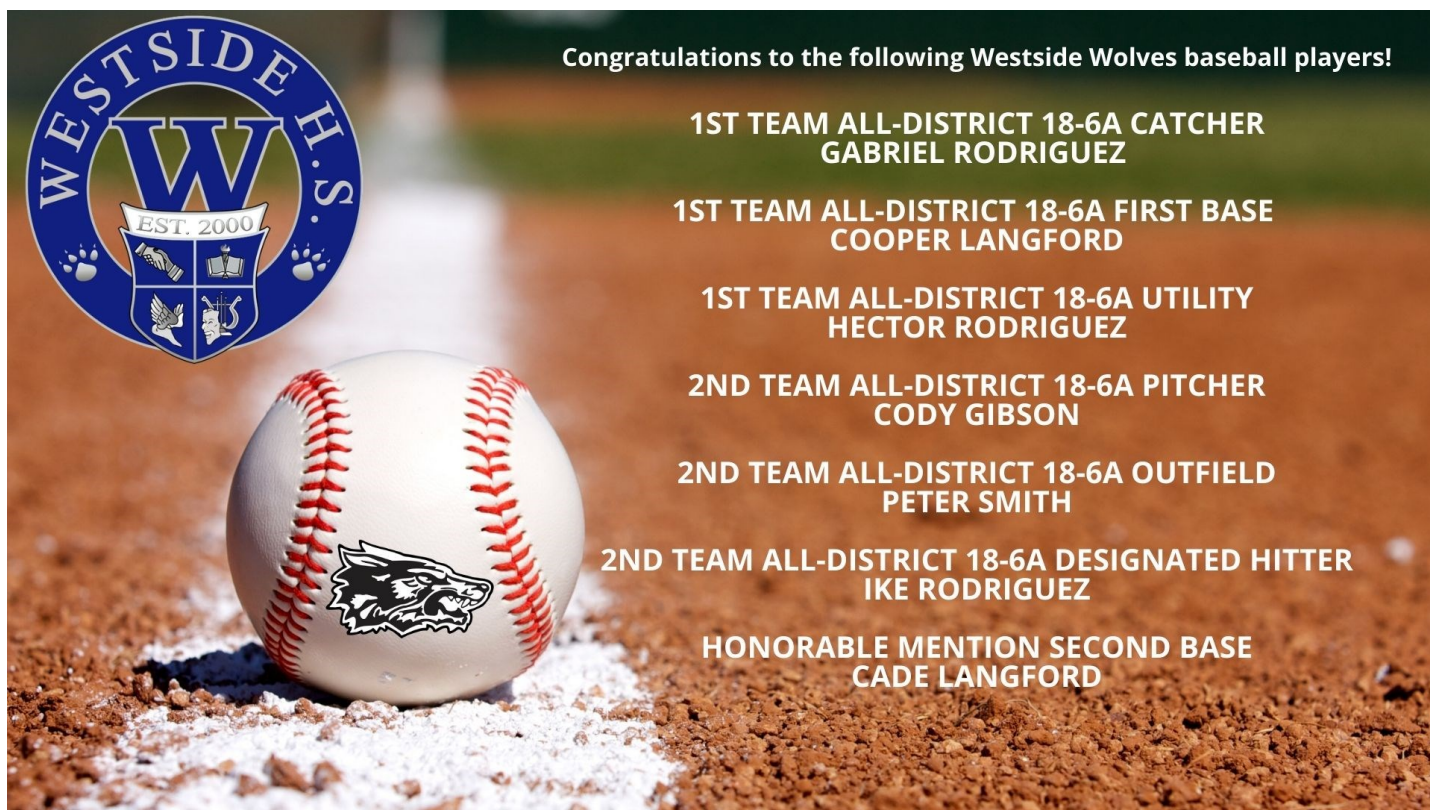
# Congratulations to Our AP Scholars!

WESTSIDE  
HIGH SCHOOL

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of the  
WOLVES



## Announcements

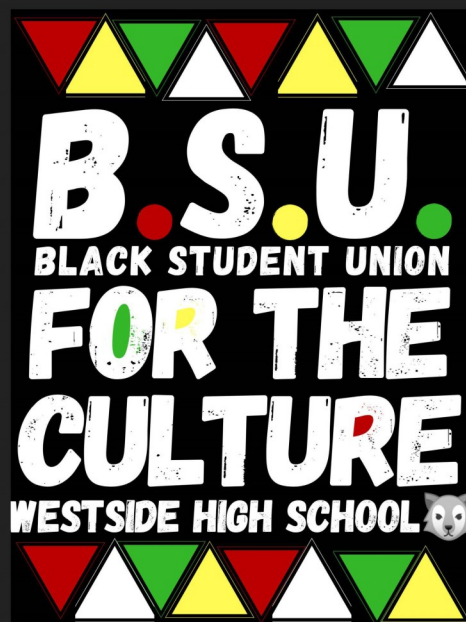
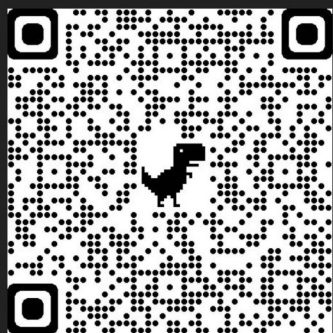


**WESTSIDE H.S.**  
EST. 2000

Congratulations to the following Westside Wolves baseball players!

- 1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A CATCHER**  
GABRIEL RODRIGUEZ
- 1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A FIRST BASE**  
COOPER LANGFORD
- 1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A UTILITY**  
HECTOR RODRIGUEZ
- 2ND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A PITCHER**  
CODY GIBSON
- 2ND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A OUTFIELD**  
PETER SMITH
- 2ND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT 18-6A DESIGNATED HITTER**  
IKE RODRIGUEZ
- HONORABLE MENTION SECOND BASE**  
CADE LANGFORD

Interested in  
becoming an officer  
for BSU next year!!  
Fill out this survey by  
May 20th!!!



<https://forms.gle/wwBXbEnXnaESC5ri6>



## Senior Announcements

<b>Monday 6/7</b>		<b>Tuesday 6/8</b>	
<b>Final Exams</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup> Periods		<b>Final Exams</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Period	
<b>Wednesday 6/9</b>		<b>Thursday 6/10</b>	
<b>Senior Check-Out</b> <b>Various Timeslots / Auxiliary ("Lego") Gym</b> To pick-up their cap & gown, students will report to Westside in alphabetic groups at the designated times below. Students will first need to complete an electronic form – the College Center will share a link to that document soon.			
<b>Wed. 9 AM-12 PM</b> Last Names S-Z	<b>Wed. 1-4 PM</b> Last Names M-R	<b>Thu. 9 AM-12 PM</b> Last Names E-L	<b>Thu. 1-4 PM</b> Last Names A-D
<b>Friday 6/11</b>		<b>Sunday 6/13</b>	
<b>Graduation Practice</b> 9-11 AM / Commons		<b>Graduation</b> <b>5 PM / Delmar Field</b> The Class of 2021 will walk across stage in this outdoor ceremony! See below for more details.	
<b>Senior Picnic</b> <b>12:00-2:30 PM / Athletic Fields</b> The PTO is celebrating our grads with food, music, and outdoor games.			

**Senior Honors** will be virtual again this year. Winners of academic, athletic, and character awards will be revealed via WHS social media accounts in the evenings throughout Senior Week. Follow the awards online: **#2021wolfpackhonors**

### Everything we know about graduation as of 5/13/21:

5-7 PM Sunday 6/13/21 @ Delmar Field (2020 Mangum Road)

#### Ticketing and Parking

Tickets are required, and they will be distributed electronically in the free app "GoFan". HISD will release more instructions later. **Each Westside student will receive NINE tickets for their family and THREE parking passes.** No additional tickets will be made available at the gate entrances. Parking is free, but parking passes will be required to enter the HISD Sports Complex. Parking passes will also be distributed from the GoFan app. Each vehicle will be required to print a parking pass to display on the dashboard.

#### Venue/Ceremony Details

No flowers, balloons, banners, signs, noise makers, food or drinks will be allowed into the venue. Students must arrive dressed in cap and gown (distributed 6/9-6/10 at Senior Check-out – students will be given an appointment by the College Center). Their graduation attire will serve as their "ticket". Students will walk across stage to receive their diploma, but no handshakes are permitted (elbow bumps are encouraged). A photographer will capture the moment, and pictures will be available for purchase later. Students will not be allowed to bring cell phones or other electronic devices on the field. The doors will open for guests at 4pm, and the ceremony begins 5pm. Late arrivals will be seated on the last row to limit distractions. Students will receive more details about their arrival and other procedures at Westside's mandatory graduation practice: 9am on Friday 6/11 in the Commons. Every person must wear a mask. It will be hot, so dress comfortably. Since the ceremony is on a football field, high heels are discouraged. Water will be provided, but students may not bring in their own bottles. There will be a livestream of the ceremony, and a link will be shared a couple days before graduation.

#### **STAY CONNECTED**

Sign up for the Westside E-News: <https://mailman.listserve.com/listmanager/listinfo/whscommunity>

Westside Instagram: **@gowestsidewolves**

"Westside Class of 2021" course in the HUB (all seniors are enrolled)

Remind app: @wolvese1 (East 1), @wolvese2 (East 2), @wolvesn1 (North 1), @wolvesn2 (North 2), @wolvess2 (South 2)

Senior Class Coordinator Mr. D'Onofrio's page on the Westside website: [www.houstonisd.org/Domain/47006](http://www.houstonisd.org/Domain/47006)

Make sure email address and cell phone number are correct in Naviance so the College Center can send you information.

## Announcements

[www.Balfour.com](http://www.Balfour.com)  
**ORDER A YEARBOOK, BEFORE  
 THEY ARE GONE!**

The online store will  
 close **May 21**.  
 After that, any books  
 left can be purchased  
 with cash only  
**\$85**

Distribution:  
 June 1- *Seniors only*  
 June 2 - All  
 Times & locations TBA

**Countdown:**  
**43**  
**books left**



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

### LAPTOP COLLECTION



**When**

JUNE 7-11  
 AND  
 JUNE 14-18

**Who**

ON-CAMPUS  
 STUDENTS BY  
 6/11

**Where**

LIBRARY  
 LEARNING  
 COMMONS

REMOTE  
 STUDENTS BY  
 6/18

SENIORS BY  
 JUNE 10TH  
 W/HOTSPOT

#### FEES

DAMAGED OR BROKEN LAPTOP-\$25

LOST OR STOLEN LAPTOP-\$25

MISSING CHARGER OR CASE-\$25

IF YOU LOST A LAPTOP OFF-CAMPUS, YOU MUST  
 FILE A REPORT WITH HPD

### *Saturday Tutorials*

May 22

9 AM-12 Noon

- Must enter via main doors from horseshoe driveway on Briar Forest
- Wear an appropriate face mask and get temperature checked upon arrival
- Adhere to dress code, bring IDs, assignments & charged laptops

## Summer Opportunities




**SUMMER 2021**  
APPLICATION OPEN NOW!

**Code2College has a FREE virtual program for YOUR student!**

Our **100% virtual program** offers software-engineering and web-development instruction, professional skills development through **consistent mentorship**, and the opportunity to qualify for **paid, software-engineering internships**.



**WHEN IS IT?**  
All sessions are **completely virtual!**  
Classes are for **1 hour** four times a week  
Summer classes have **TWO** start dates!  
**Wave 1:** June 7th  
**Wave 2:** July 5th



**WHAT IS IT?**  
Three different programs for any skill level and interest! From **advanced software engineering** to **web development basics**, there is a class right for you.  
Languages covered include HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python, and more



**WHY SIGN UP?**

- Learn new **technical and professional skills**.
- Meet **new people** (students and tech professionals!)
- Gain an invitation to an **exciting calendar of events** for the entire school year

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.CODE2COLLEGE.ORG](http://WWW.CODE2COLLEGE.ORG)  
APPLY TODAY: [HTTPS://CODE2COLLEGE.ORG/STUDENTAPP/](https://CODE2COLLEGE.ORG/STUDENTAPP/)  
DEADLINE: MAY 10, 2021



**Career Immersion Summer Camp**

**Automotive Tech**

June 29th - July 1st, 2021




**Description**

If you've considered a career in the automotive industry but haven't had any hands-on experience or you're curious to learn, this camp is for you! You'll learn the skills automotive technicians use to troubleshoot wheel balancing and advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS).

- Day 1: Wheel Balance Activity
- Day 2: ADAS Activity
- Day 3: Pathways to enter the industry

This summer camp is virtual, is free of cost, and is sponsored by Gulf States Toyota.

**Requirements**

- Show interest in the Automotive Industry
- Currently in high school
- Submit an application by June 1, 2021

**Application** <https://tinyurl.com/autocamp2021>

Brought to you by:  
**GULF STATES TOYOTA** **BridgeYear**

**RICE | TAPIA CAMPS** **SPRING & SUMMER 2021**

**VIRTUAL CAMPS OFFERED**

BUILDING A HEATSINK  
DATA ANALYSIS  
COMPUTATIONAL THINKING AND EQUITY

<https://signup.rice.edu/tapiacamps2021/> Virtual STEM Camps for 7th-12th Graders

[https://  
signup.rice.edu/  
tapiacamps2021/](https://signup.rice.edu/tapiacamps2021/)




**BUILD YOUR SKILLS,  
FIND YOUR PASSION**

Learn more about  
Rice Elite Tech Camp  
by clicking [HERE!](#)

Registration for Rice ELITE Tech,  
a virtual summer camp  
experience created by the  
Rice Center for Engineering Leadership,  
Is now OPEN.

## Announcements

HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### AFRICAN AMERICAN FAMILY COLLEGE SUMMIT

A VIRTUAL experience focused on Exploration, Inspiration, and Empowerment.

African American professionals from various industries and fields will share about their college journey and careers paths.

Hear from college access professionals about the college application process, scholarships, and financial aid.

**Learn. Connect. Lead.**

Join us on Saturday, May 22, 2021 • 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.


Registration Link:  
<http://bit.ly/AAFCS-Reg>



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College Readiness  
HIGHER EXPECTATIONS. HIGHER EDUCATION.

**Launch HISD**  
Empowering students. Launching futures.

**STEPS**  
Support. Transition. Education. Preparation. Success.



## Pop Show #2 is live on Podbean!

Come listen to hits from the 80's and 90's, with a script for the show written by our very own WHS Theater students!

<https://westsidehschoir.podbean.com/e/westside-choir-2021-pop-show-podcast-1980s-and-1990s/>



**WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL**  
Cross Country

**'The Wolf Den'**

Interested in Cross Country For Next Season?  
 Contact Coach Guy For Summer Workout Details!  
**DGUY@houstonisd.org**

## Announcements

# HISD

## 2021-2022 Academic Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for more details regarding 2021-2022 Academic Calendar



**PARENTS**  
**Do you plan**  
**to**  
**volunteer**  
**this year?**  
Click [here](#)  
for:  
**NEW**  
**Online VIPs**  
**Orientation**  
**& Application!**

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Pay school  
fees to  
Westside  
High School  
online by  
credit card  
using this  
convenient  
service:  
Click [HERE](#)

### Student Parking

### Permits Required

Click [HERE](#) for  
details and to fill  
out the  
Online Application

**Note:**  
**Street parking is**  
**prohibited and**  
**cars will**  
**be towed at**  
**owner's expense.**



## 2020-2021

## Semester 2

	Monday (A)	Tuesday (B)	Wednesday (A)	Thursday (B)	Friday (Alternating A/B)
8:30 - 9:00 Live*	1st Period	2nd Period	1st Period	2nd Period	A - 1st / B - 2nd
9:00 - 10:00 Flex	1st Period	2nd Period	1st Period	2nd Period	A - 1st / B - 2nd
10:00-10:05	Break/Passing				
10:05 - 10:35 Live*	3rd Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	3rd Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	A - 3rd / B - Adv/Int
10:35 - 11:35 Flex	3rd Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	3rd Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	A - 3rd / B - Adv/Int
11:35 - 12:35	Lunch + Office Hours				
12:35 - 1:05	Office Hours (in 5th)	Office Hours (in 4th)	Office Hours (in 5th)	Office Hours (in 4th)	Office Hours A- 5th / B- 4th
1:05 - 1:35 Live*	5th Period	4th Period	5th Period	4th Period	A - 5th / B - 4th
1:35 - 2:35 Flex	5th Period	4th Period	5th Period	4th Period	A - 5th / B - 4th
2:35 - 2:40	Break/Passing				
2:40 - 3:10 Live*	7th Period	6th Period	7th Period	6th Period	A - 7th / B - 6th
3:10 - 4:10 Flex	7th Period	6th Period	7th Period	6th Period	A - 7th / B - 6th
*4:15 - 4:45 Live	0 Period	8th Period	0 Period	8th Period	A - 0 / B - 8th
*4:45 - 5:45 Flex	0 Period	8th Period	0 Period	8th Period	A - 0 / B - 8th

\*See Rotating Friday A/B Calendar

**Rotating Friday A/B Calendar 20-21 School Year**

## B DAY

**\*Semester Two**

February							March							April							May							June							
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	
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campus closed								15	16	17	18	19			12	13	14	15	16			17	18	19	20	21									
	22	23*	24	25	26			22	23	24	25	26			19	20	21	22	23			24	25	26	27	28									
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*PSAT 10 - TBA							*Mar 3 - SAT (11th gr)							*Apr 6 - STAAR Eng I							*May 4-7 - STAAR EOC														
Arctic Storm Days														*Apr 8 - STAAR Eng II							*May 3-21 - AP Exams							Finals							
24 Flex- A & B courses																																			
Holiday (no school)							# End of Cycle							Enrichment Opportunity																					



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