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Live Chat on Wednesday

September 21, 2020

Starting with the second six weeks of the 2020-2021 school year, HISD families will be required to **select either in-person or virtual** instruction for students. The first day of the second six weeks is October 19.

Parents will have from Monday, September 21, through Friday, September 25, to make their selection through the HISD Connect Parent Portal "Forms" section. Parents will be able to log in and select in-person or virtual learning for the school year. This process will ensure campuses can begin planning for physical space, staffing, and scheduling. Once a selection is made, the choice is valid for the entire school year. However, there will be opportunities to change a selection throughout the year, if needed.

To help make an informed decision, Principal Wittpenn will be hosting a **Community Live Chat** on Wednesday, at 6 PM on Microsoft Teams. Click this link at meeting time to join: <http://bit.ly/livechat923>

VIEW HISD'S HELPFUL HOW-TO VIDEOS

SELECT IN-PERSON OR VIRTUAL

ENGLISH:

<https://youtu.be/BtL7zzlIB6M>

Spanish

<https://youtu.be/O8YaQHWdEiw>

Need to set up your
Parent Portal Account?

Access code sent to
Westside students'
HISD Email Inbox
first week of September.

**Log in & create account
on the Parent Portal**

[HERE.](#)

Calendar

Wed., September 23

Live Chat with Principal
to Discuss In-Person
Learning, 6 PM on Mi-
crosoft Teams

Mon. September 28

Fall Holiday, No School
for Students

Wed., September 30

Virtual Open House, 6-
7:30 PM on Microsoft
Teams

Wed., October 21

Teacher Service Day, No
School for Students



What's the Plan for In-Person Learning ?

COMMUNITY LIVE CHAT with Principal Wittpenn

Wed., Sept. 23 at 6 PM

on Microsoft Teams

To join, go to: <http://bit.ly/livechat923>

Announcements

Getting to Know the Hub for Parents

HISD is committed to ensuring that all parents are equipped with the tools needed to support their child through virtual learning.

The district will offer online training sessions for parents seeking to better understand how to access the HUB. The “Getting to Know the HUB for Parents” online sessions will be live, with opportunities for Q&A.

The webinar is designed to give parents a better understanding of the HUB is and how students interact with it. The sessions will also focus on how students navigate the platform, access courses, submit assignments, and interact with course materials.

Parent HUB Course Dates	Time	Links to Webinar
Tuesday, September 22	5 PM	Getting to Know the Hub for Parents
Thursday, September 24	5 PM	Getting to Know the HUB for Parents
Tuesday, September 29	5 PM	Getting to Know the HUB for Parents
Thursday, October 1,	5 PM	Getting to Know the HUB for Parents
Tuesday, October 6	5 PM	Getting to Know the HUB for Parents
Thursday, October 8	5 PM	Getting to Know the HUB for Parents



Save the Date
Wednesday
Sept. 30

6-7:30 PM
Microsoft Teams

Announcements

FUTURES ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCE

Click [HERE](#) for more information



Find out more about Westside's Magnet Programs

[APPLY NOW!](#)

HISD's Magnet Applications Available Online.

Phase 1 – Sept. 19, 2020 – Nov. 6, 2020

Phase 2 – Nov. 7, 2020 – Feb. 27, 2021

Phase 3 – Feb. 28, 2020 – until full
(Out of District transfers considered
during Phase 3)

S.T.E.A.M.

Science-Technology-Engineering-Arts-Mathematics

Click [HERE](#) for more information



Westside High School

It's a
Great Day
to be a
Wolf!

www.westsidewolves.org

Do you plan to volunteer this year?



The HISD VIPs program is now accepting NEW and Returning Volunteer Applications for the 2020-2021 school year.

Click [here](#) for details:

- ♦ NEW—VIPs online volunteer orientation
- ♦ Fill out the application

Three Wolf Seniors National Merit Semifinalists

FROM HISD: The National Merit Scholarship Program has named 81 Houston Independent School District seniors as 2021 semifinalists.

The high school seniors have an opportunity to compete for approximately 7,600 scholarships worth more than \$30 million that will be offered next spring. Nationwide there are approximately 16,000 semifinalists in the 66th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

"We are proud of our global scholars who are competing with their peers from across the nation for this prestigious academic honor," HISD Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan said. "We support and encourage them to maintain the level of excellence that has resulted in their semifinalist designation, despite challenges they may face in this year of flexibility."

Three Westside High School Seniors are among the district's semifinalists:

- *Gloria Y. Huan*
- *Farzaan S. Hussain*
- *Hayley T. Vu*

To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, semifinalists must advance to the finalist level of the competition. To become a finalist, semifinalists and an official at their high school must submit a detailed scholarship application that includes the student's academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received. Semifinalists must also write an essay.



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Free Pre-Packed Meals for Students

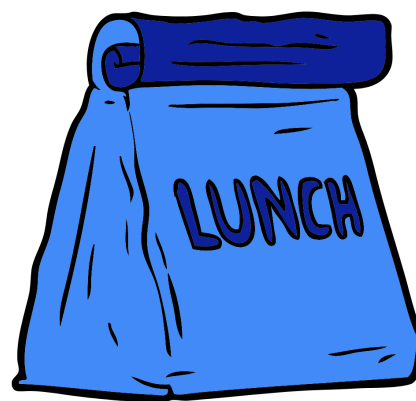
HISD is offering daily curbside pickup of pre-packed breakfast and lunch meals at 86 strategically located schools around the district. The meals are served at no cost to families. Parents must show proof of enrollment in any school district, such as a student ID or report card, to pick up the meals.

Families can go to any location from 10 AM-1PM, Monday through Friday, to pick up one pre-packed breakfast and lunch meal per student. In the Westside High School area, meals are available at Shadowbriar Elementary, Walnut Bend Elementary, and Paul Revere Middle School. For additional locations, see the map at <https://www.houstonisd.org/StudentMeals>.

Monday-Friday

10 AM-1 PM

86 Locations



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Westside High School
online by credit card
using this
convenient service:

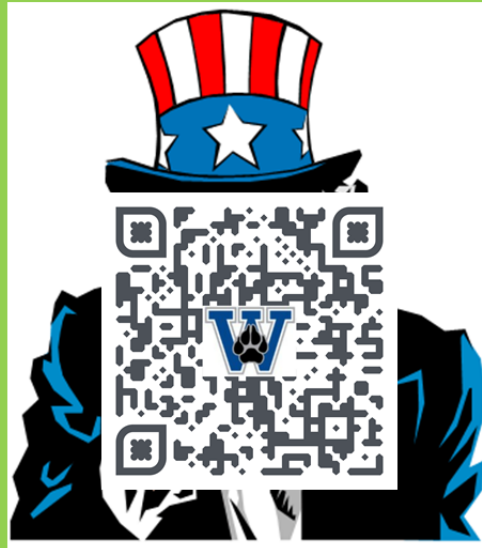
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**NO SATURDAY
SAT & ACT TESTS
AT WESTSIDE**
CANCELED THRU END OF DECEMBER

From the PTO

We Want YOU...

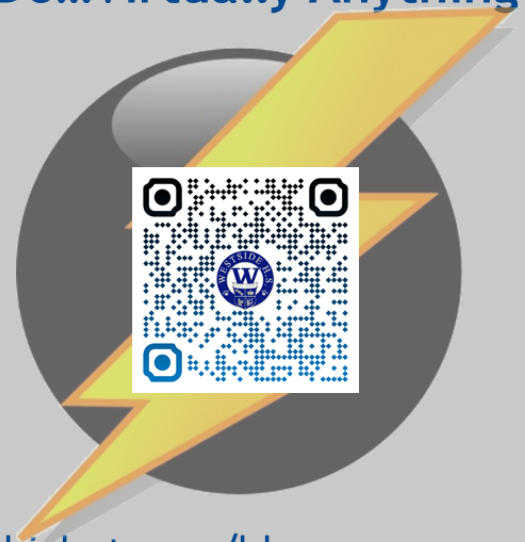


To JOIN the
Westside PTO




Together We Can Do...Virtually Anything
OCTOBER

- JOIN US Oct 12th at 6:30 pm CT
- Via Zoom (register below or scan QR code)
- SPEAKER: Ebony Lumpkin, STUCO leaders
- TOPIC: Coping— “What’s Happening?”



Register at <https://www.westsidehighpto.org/blog>


From the PTO



Show your Westside Spirit


Buy a Westside Wolves Yard Sign!



- SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!
- POST A PHOTO WITH YOUR STUDENT AND THEIR YARD SIGN ON FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM
- RAISE MONEY FOR THE PTO
- REUSE SIGN YEAR AFTER YEAR




ORDER ONLINE TODAY!

- 1) ORDER YOUR SIGN ONLINE AT: WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG/SHOP
- 2) MORE DISTRIBUTION DATES WILL BE POSTED



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Together We Can Do...Virtually Anything

SEPTEMBER

**Participate in our Community Survey—
“WHY WESTSIDE?”**

- Let Principal Wittpenn know why you choose Westside High School
- Submit your survey today through Thanksgiving
- Results will be posted at the beginning of the spring semester

Did you miss the Meeting on Sept 14?

- Review the video and slides
- <https://www.westsidehighpto.org/archived-events>



Announcements



JOIN!

Westside
**CLUBS &
ORGANIZATIONS**

Go to:
<https://www.houstonisd.org/domain/37759>

It's a Great
Day to Be a
Wolf!



CALLING ALL WESTSIDE BOYS

Interested in Breakin'?

Ask your Dean to place you in
6th period - Breakin' (course labeled Altamirano)

Coach C. Thomas
Breakin' Instructor

WESTSIDE
DANCE

Inertia
DANCE COMPANY




Announcements



The Myths of Attending a Small College

Join Admissions Representative, Beverly Wheeler from Hendrix College, while she discusses the benefits of attending a smaller school. Parents and students of all grades welcome!

Wednesday, Oct 7th at 6:30pm on the WHS College Center Teams channel, code k4gyt21 to join



HENDRIX
COLLEGE

Be a part of Student Council

Join the Remind: text @hcc2d8 to 81010 

Follow our Instagram: Wolf.Connect 

Plan on joining our first virtual meeting on TEAMS on September 24th during lunch

Use this [TEAMS Meeting Link](#)

In Case You Missed It:



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

ATTENDANCE APPEAL

**SEPTEMBER 21ST - NOVEMBER 20TH
2020**

**GET APPROVAL FROM CHERYL WILLIAMS
BY EMAILING CBYRD@HOUSTONISD.ORG**



cbyrd@houstonisd.org

ATTENDANCE APPEAL

FALL 2020

ATTENDANCE APPEAL DATES

Sept. 21 – Nov. 20, 2020

**STUDENTS MUST GET
APPROVAL TO START
CLASSES**

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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For more information,
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For Your Reference



Westside HS Daily Virtual Schedule

2020-2021

	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	4th Period	3rd Period	4th Period	A - 3rd / B - 4th
10:35 - 11:35 Flex	3rd Period	4th Period	3rd Period	4th Period	A - 3rd / B - 4th
11:35 - 12:05	Lunch				
12:05 - 1:05	Office Hours				
1:05 - 1:35 Live	5th Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	5th Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	A - 5th / B - Adv/Int
1:35 - 2:35 Flex	5th Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	5th Period	Advocacy/ Intervention	A - 5th / B - Adv/Int
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	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	A - 8th / B - 8th
*4:45 - 5:45 Flex	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	A - 8th / B - 8th

*Not all students have a 0 or 8th period.

*See Rotating Friday A/B Calendar

Westside HS

Rotating Friday A/B Calendar: Semester 1

A DAY

B DAY

September							October							November							December						
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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	7	8	9	10	11			5	6	7	8	9		9	10	11	12	13			7	8	9	10	11		
	14	15	16	17	18			12	13	14	15	16		16	17	18	19	20			14	15	16	17	18		
	21	22	23	24	25			19	20	21	22	23		23	24	25	26	27			21	22	23	24	25		
	28	29	30					26	27	28	29	30		30							28	29	30	31			

Teacher Service Day (no students)

End of Cycle

Holiday

Enrichment Opportunity

Click [HERE](#) for HISD 2020-2021 Academic Calendar



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