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from Westside High School

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VIRTUAL Open House Tomorrow Night!

September 29, 2020

Westside parents are invited to join our Virtual Open House tomorrow evening from 6-7:30 PM on Microsoft Teams. In advance of the event, parents should locate their student's schedule (including teacher names).

The event will begin with a general session at 6 PM, followed by periods 1 through 7, lasting for 10 minutes each. Links will be emailed to parents and will be available on the homepage: www.westsidewolves.org.

Open House "How To":

Step 1

Get your student's schedule handy (including teacher names)

Step 2

Open the "Meet the Teacher 2020" document (emailed to parents and on the homepage)

Step 3

At 6 PM, click the link for General Session

Step 4

At 6:10 PM, click the link for your child's 1st Pd teacher

Step 5

Repeat for Pds 2-7

Calendar

Wed., September 30

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

Tues., October 6

Virtual College Night, 6-8 PM

Thur., October 15

Virtual Financial Aid Info Night/FAFSA Road Show, 5-7 PM

Wed., October 21

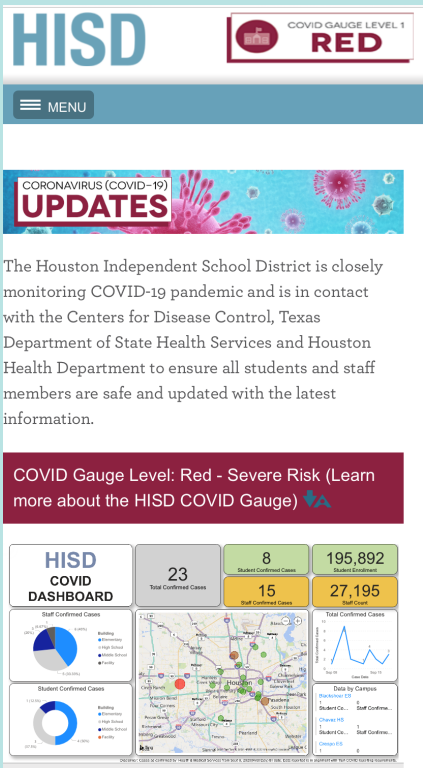
Teacher Service Day, No School for Students



Wednesday
Sept. 30

6-7:30 PM
Microsoft Teams

Announcements



HISD's Covid Dashboard

<https://www.houstonisd.org/COVID19Dashboard>

Updated daily, the dashboard helps HISD families make informed decisions about students' health & safety.

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 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

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



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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

Calling All Wolves! Fill Out the SIF Form Please!



Wolf Families!

PLEASE SUBMIT

SIF

**SOCIOECONOMIC
INFO FORM**

To Ensure That Our School
Gets Fully Funded

We need your help in ensuring that 100% of our families have completed their Socioeconomic Information Form (SIF). Westside's Title I funding for next school year is based on the completion of the Socioeconomic Information Forms. Normally the SIF (the blue form) is sent home in the first day packets but since we are virtual, we have to use a different process. Below is a link where you can fill out the SIF and the form will be returned directly to me. Your information is confidential and will not be shared with any outside agencies. Please fill out the form using the link below. If you have any questions, please reply to this email.

Thank you so much with helping our school become successful and being fully funded.

Click [here](#) for Socioeconomic Information Form in English

Click [here](#) for Socioeconomic Information Form in Spanish

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

Quiz Bowl Team Recruiting New Members



Quiz Bowl Team during 2019-2020

We are the Westside High School Quiz Bowl Team!

Quiz Bowl is a competitive club where teams race against the buzzer to answer questions on a variety of topics, including history, science, literature, and even trash, a pop culture-based category. Teams compete against other schools in NAQT sponsored tournaments. Join us, improve your academic IQ!

To learn more about us, follow our instagram @whs.quizbowl

Students, if you want to try out, sign up to our remind!

Send text to 81010: @quizbowlbt

Contact Ms. Diiorio for more info!

elena.Diiorio@houstonisd.org

Free Pre-Packed Meals for Students

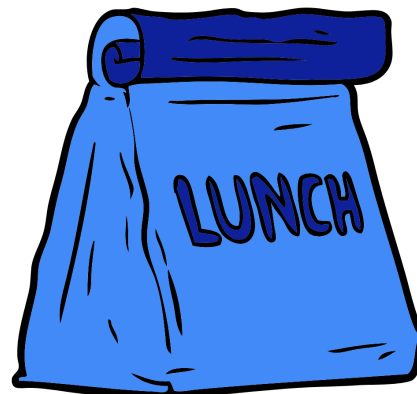
HISD is offering daily curbside pickup of pre-packed breakfast and lunch meals at 86 strategically located schools around the district. The meals are served at no cost to families. Parents must show proof of enrollment in any school district, such as a student ID or report card, to pick up the meals.

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



Announcements



JOIN!

Westside

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Go to:

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

Quarantine Routine week Oct. 5th-9th

MOVIE MONDAY

What's been a movie that has helped you pass time during these times?

TIKTOK TUESDAY

Share your creative tricks and dance moves with everyone

WORKOUT WEDNESDAY

Share what you have been doing to stay active

TRANQUIL THURSDAY

What art/meditation have you been doing to stay relaxed?

FACETIME FRIDAY

How are you making social distancing fun on zoom/facetime with your friends?

Share your activities on Instagram using #whsquarantineweek

StuCo Announcements

*Get
Involved!*

Interested in running for Student Council Freshman President and Vice President ??

If interested in the position of either Freshman or Vice President, please fill out the google form by scanning the QR code



STUCO Volunteer events

Peer tutoring - LimitlessMinds, a non-profit organization is offering virtual learning to grades K-8. They're looking for high school volunteers.

Sign up here! : <https://forms.gle/hhsogLcGYnTz3F5L8>



Email: limitlessmindshouston@gmail.com
Instagram: [@limitlessminds.houston](https://www.instagram.com/limitlessminds.houston)
Facebook: [@LimitlessMinds](https://www.facebook.com/LimitlessMinds)
(@LimitlessMinds2020)
Phone: (281) 216-5028

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Voting polls - Harris County Clerk's Office is encouraging HISD students to volunteer for the November 3rd election.

Apply no later than October 9!

- Apply at www.harrisvotes.com/studentclerks
- Paid training, excused school absence, letter of recommendation



Vote Registration - Register to vote if you're over 18. It's your civic responsibility! Deadline for registration is October 5.

Represent
Your
Fellow
Students

STUCO Class remind codes:

Student Body- text @hcc2d8 to 81010

Juniors text @7a69gh to 81010

Sophomores text @2ce7cc to 81010

Freshmen text @aag9k7 to 81010

STUCO Senior remind codes: Please join your house code to stay updated for important senior dates & information:

@wolvese1 (East 1)

@wolvese2 (East 2)

@wolvesn1 (North 1)

@wolvesn2 (North 2)

@wolvess2 (South 2)

Text all to 81010

Use
your
Voice

College Center Announcements

Virtual College Night

Calling all Westside Families! You will not want to miss this year's College Night. Students and parents are invited to explore 388 colleges and universities in this unique virtual format, including:

- Live one-on-one chats and live presentations between 6-8 PM on Oct. 6
- Plus, explore at your leisure all through this Fall season.

Westside College Night

Tuesday, October 6, 2020

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Virtual College Fair

Grades
9th - 12th
Students &
Parents

Show
demonstrated interest
Build a relationship with
Admission Officers.
Get informed of specific
opportunities for each institution.

Student and Parents MUST pre-register in order to attend the Westside College Night! Specific directions will be emailed to the student's school email address.

Register and Explore

<https://falltacrao.swoogo.com/2020Virtual>

Over 388 college representatives have been registered for individual virtual tables to answer questions and discuss their institutions and/or programs.

Texas & Out of State	*	Public and Private
Highly Selective – Open Enrollment	*	2-year / 4-year & specialty programs

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Go to <https://falltacrao.swoogo.com/2020Virtual> and sign up for your one-on-ones and live presentations. It's never too early to establish your DEMONSTRATED INTEREST—freshmen through seniors benefit from participation. Pre-register today!

NASA STEM Opportunity for Juniors!

NASA's High School Aerospace Scholars (HAS) applications are now open! HAS is an authentic learning experience for Texas high school juniors to engage with NASA's mission to become the next generation of explorers. Students learn about different STEM related fields of study they might want to pursue in college. Following a series of online lessons, highest achieving students attend an all-expenses-paid, week-

long visit to the NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston during the summer. Selected participants plan a team based Artemis themed mission to Moon and Mars with the guidance of NASA scientists and engineers. Both the online and onsite portions are free to participants.

Applications open through October 21, 2020.

www.nasa.gov/has



College Center Announcements

FAFSA Countdown—opens in



You will need to create an FSA ID—an electronic signature that you will use to sign the FAFSA documents. You can do this BEFORE October 1st!

- Create one at fsaid.ed.gov
- Based on Social Security Number
- Student and one parent both need FSA ID (parent may already have one if an older child completed FAFSA)
- If parent does not have a SSN, parent will sign manually



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



Financial Aid Information Night



Thursday, October 15th
5-7pm
Save the Date!



The information session is open to Seniors Students and Parent(s)/Guardians.

Learn valuable information regarding the completion of the financial aid application and other financial aid processes.

TEAMS Code will be available the day of, October 15th via social media.



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Class of 2021



SENIOR DUES

- Senior Dues are **MANDATORY** for all seniors or fourth-year students.
- Every senior is expected to make a one-time payment of **\$70** by Friday, 12/18/20.
- If a student misses that fall deadline, a \$30 late fee will be added. The new one-time payment of **\$100** will be due by the start of Spring Break: Friday, 3/12/21.
- Students do not have the option to select and pay for only individual items from the list below. The total dollar amount is non-negotiable.

What is paid for by Senior Dues?

1. Cap and Gown
 2. Diploma & Diploma Cover
 3. Awards for Senior Honors Night (medals, cords, and other graduation regalia)
 4. Graduation Ceremony
- Administrative Expenses (COVID-19 preparations, unexpected increases, etc.)

Students who do not pay dues will not receive their cap/gown or a diploma, and they will not be able to attend any graduation ceremonies.

Dues may only be paid via School Pay on the Westside website:

tinyurl.com/wolfseniordues21

If you will be unable to pay dues on time due to financial difficulty in your family, please email Helen Tran (HTRAN5@houstonisd.org) AND copy your dean.

Senior dues are NOT connected to any prom expenses.

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 - 8 / B - 8th
*4:45 - 5:45 Flex	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	8th Period	A - 8 / 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						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	7	8	9	10	11	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	28	29	30			

October						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	
	5	6	7	8	9	
	12	13	14	15	16	
	19	20	21	22	23	
	26	27	28	29	30	

November						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	2	3	4	5	6	
	9	10	11	12	13	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	23	24	25	26	27	
	30					

December						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	
	7	8	9	10	11	
	14	15	16	17	18	
	21	22	23	24	25	
	28	29	30	31		

Teacher Service Day (no students)

End of Cycle

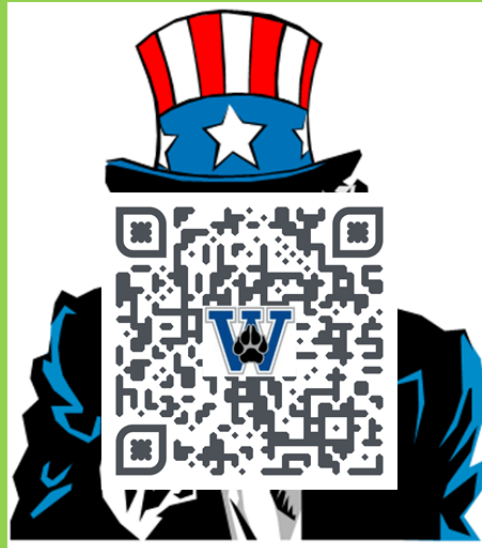
Holiday

Enrichment Opportunity

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

From the PTO

We Want YOU...

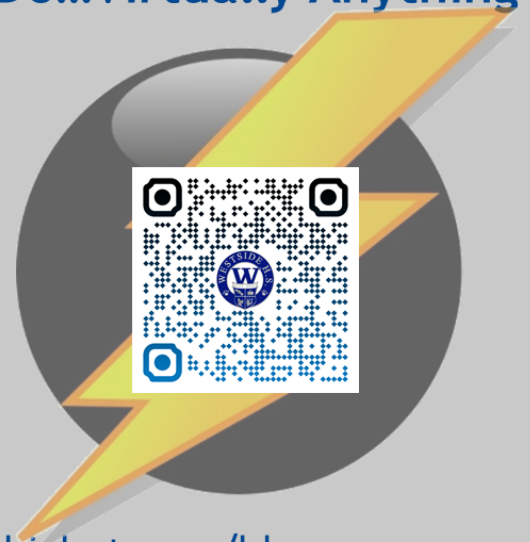


To JOIN the
Westside PTO




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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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>





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