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from Westside High School

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Thanksgiving Break Next Week

November 15, 2021



[Calendar](#)

November 22-26
No School,
Thanksgiving Break

December 4 & 11
Saturday Tutorials,
9 AM-12 Noon

December 20-31
Winter Break



We are thankful for our stupendous PTO and appreciate the pre-Thanksgiving pie for Westside's staff.

Click for HISD's
Academic
Calendar
[2021-2022](#)
[Calendar](#)

Student Information Verification

Dear Westside High School Parent:

This is a friendly reminder to complete the annual **Student Information Verification** application by **Thursday, Dec. 16**, to ensure that you continue to receive important updates regarding your child's education.

The application is available on the HISD Connect Parent Portal at HoustonISD.org/Connect.

The form allows you to verify your home address, phone number, email address, and emergency contacts.

If you indicate that your address has changed, someone from our campus will contact you to obtain an updated statement of residence.

If you haven't created your HISD Connect Parent Portal account, register now at HoustonISD.org/Connect. [Watch this video](#) if you need help with registration.

If you have not set up your HISD Connect Parent Portal account and do not have your student's access ID, contact us at 281-920-8000.

Thank you for keeping your child's information current.

Sincerely,

Keri Wittpenn
Principal

Choir Student Performs with Region Choir



Last weekend, Westside Choir student , Isaac Smith, performed with the Region Choir. Isaac advances to the pre-Area audition on December 2. Congratulations to Isaac and best wished in the next round.

Superintendent Holiday Card Contest

Best wishes to our student, Sarah Sobremesana. She is a finalist in the Superintendent's Holiday Card Contest. The winner will be announced tomorrow. Good luck, Sarah!



Westside UIL Academics Tournament

By Ms. Sinha

Westside students participated in six different categories in UIL Academic Tournament #2 on October 30th. The following students ranked in the top six in the entire district:

Computer Science

Saahir Narang **2nd**

Adrien Chew **5th**

Siddharth Agarwala **6th**

Spelling and Vocabulary

Jayita Hensh **2nd**

It's not too late to join the UIL team. If interested, please contact Ms. Chowdhury Sinha (SCHOWDHU@HOUSTONISD.ORG)

First to Launch

Westside's Advanced Audio/Visual class produced a video as part of the district-wide "First to Launch" campaign, celebrating the successes of first generation students and staff. You can view the video here and share with your students: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-8MHZIYI_nyhqRbMq-xvUwC2CRF8EolY/view?usp=sharing.

To add your voice to the story, go [here](#). For more information about College & Career Readiness, please see Ms. Maguire in A205 or email:

JMAGUIRE@houstonisd.org



Exploring the “G” in WEGA With Houston Geological Society By Ms. Morris

WEGA is the engineering pathway's special honors academy that focuses on bringing enrichment activities to the students each year in the form of field trips, college talks, special lectures, and paid summer externships. What many people do not realize is the “G” in WEGA stands for Geosciences (Westside Engineering and Geosciences Academy).

Thanks to our friends at the Houston Geological Society, we were able to bring their educational programs to Westside. We had a team of geologists lead by Letha Slagle, a former WEGA parent herself, and Steve Johansen, come to Westside and bring two of their educational programs- Rocks and Minerals and Bones in Schools.

Rocks and Minerals Lab was open to 11th and 12th grade WEGAns as well as some students from Mrs. Klein's AP Environmental Science classes. Students were able to learn about the Rock Cycle, three different types of rocks, how they form, and what their structures told about their depositional environments. Students got to observe incredible rock and mineral specimen samples up close using the use of a hand lens. They learned about the minerals' physical characteristics and internal chemistry, and what type of conditions would need to be present to form the minerals.



Exploring the “G” in WEGA With Houston Geological Society By Ms. Morris

The Bones in Schools program was offered to 9th and 10th grade WEGAns as well as AP Biology classes. Ken Thies, a renowned paleontologist, talked to students about Pleistocene epoch, a time when mammoths, mastodons, giant sloths, and saber-toothed tigers ruled the North American landscape. Students learned about the fauna and flora of the last Ice Age, and got to explore and hold different bones and fossils discovered locally in Southeast Texas.

WEGAns had a fun time exploring the geosciences from the experts. We want to give a special thanks to the Houston Geological Society for volunteering their time to come educate our young scientists and engineers. Thank you to Letha Slagle, Steve Johansen, Ken Thies, and Maime Witt as well as IPAA and Sarah Hewitt for making this possible.

If you are in the engineering pathway and would like to join WEGA, please apply on the Westside website under “Academics”.



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ENGINEERING
&
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GEOSCIENCES



A
Academy

The Wolves' football season came to a close on Friday night vs. Cy-Fair High School in the first round of play-offs. It was a fun and competitive season and we are already looking forward to next year! Way to go, Wolves!



Season Finale for Football

Thank you to Band, Cheer, JROTC, Pride and Wranglers for a great season!



Announcements

WEGA Townhall Meeting

HCC College talk

STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPURTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ADMISSION PROCESS AND ENGINEERING MAJORS

Time: 11:40 am- 12:15 am (lunch)
When: November 19th
Where: Mini-Theater

WESTSIDE ROBOTICS

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

Help support the FRC and VEX Robotics teams!

PRE-ORDER YOUR HOLIDAY POINSETTIAS NOVEMBER 15-19

EACH POINSETTIA IS ADORNED WITH A 6.5-INCH FOIL BASE AND BEAUTIFUL RED BLOOMS

PICKUP WEEK OF 11/29-12/3 ONLY \$12 FOR A FULL PLANT

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NEW School Hoodies!

**NEW! Black
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available
soon!**



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Embroidered \$50

Sales & Pick-Ups
During Lunch
Nov. 17
Dec. 3, 10, 14 & 16



For sale by Credit Card Only via PTO Pre-Order Page: <https://www.westsidehighpto.org/shop-1>

Announcements

Interested in learning **coding**, obtaining potential paid **summer internships** and **professional skills** ?



APPLY TODAY!

<https://code2college.org/studentapp/>

*deadline to apply is December 8th



Contact Ms. Willett, N225 for more details. **Code2College**

NOVEMBER 17TH, 4PM-5PM

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JOIN US IN THE
BLACKBOX FOR
SONGS FROM
BROADWAY'S
GREATEST HITS

FREE
ADMISSION

WINTER 2022

APPLICATION OPEN NOW!

Code2College has a FREE program for YOUR student!

Our 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?

Sessions are provided virtually!

Classes are for **1 hour** two times a week

Winter Semester classes begin on **January 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?

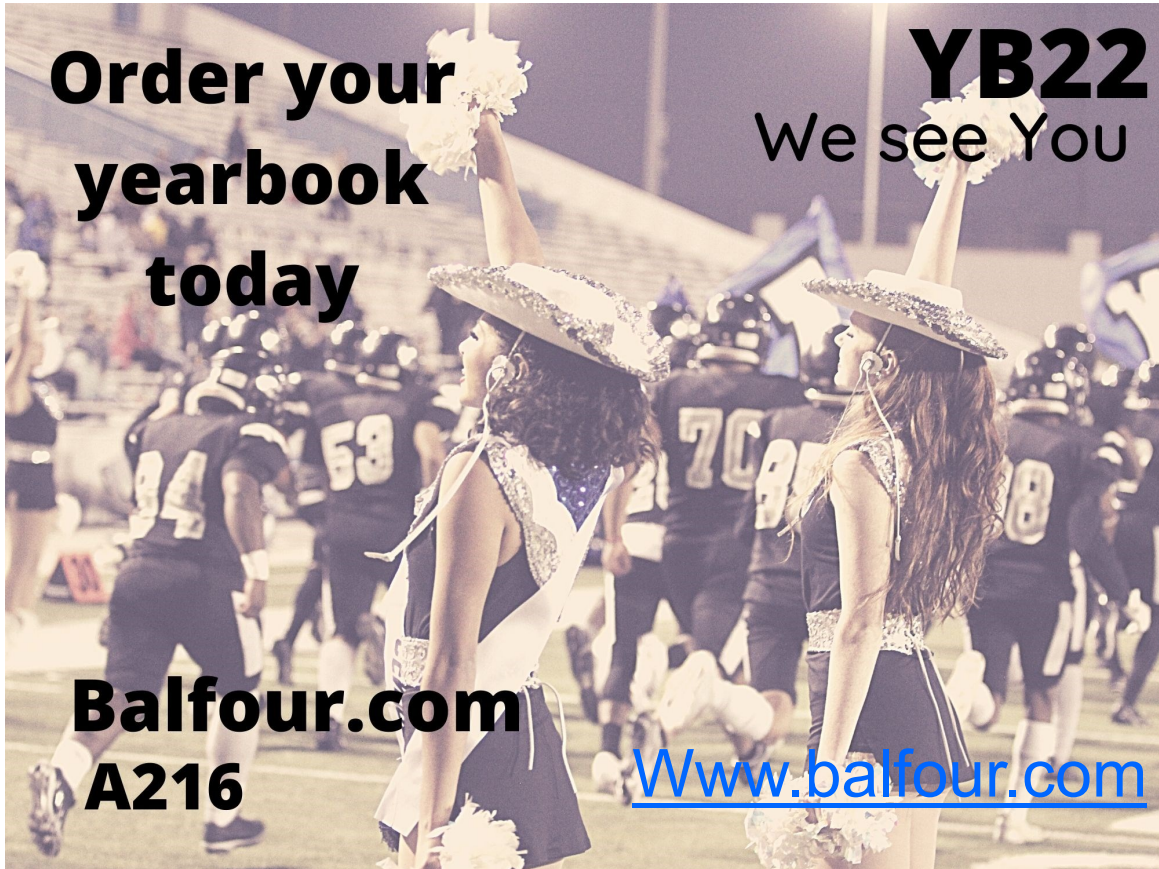
- Learn new **technical and professional skills**.
- Meet **new people** (students and tech professionals!)
- Gain an invitation to an **exciting calendar of events** for the entire school year

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.CODE2COLLEGE.ORG

APPLY TODAY: [HTTPS://CODE2COLLEGE.ORG/STUDENTAPP/](https://code2college.org/studentapp/)

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1. 2021

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yearbook
today**

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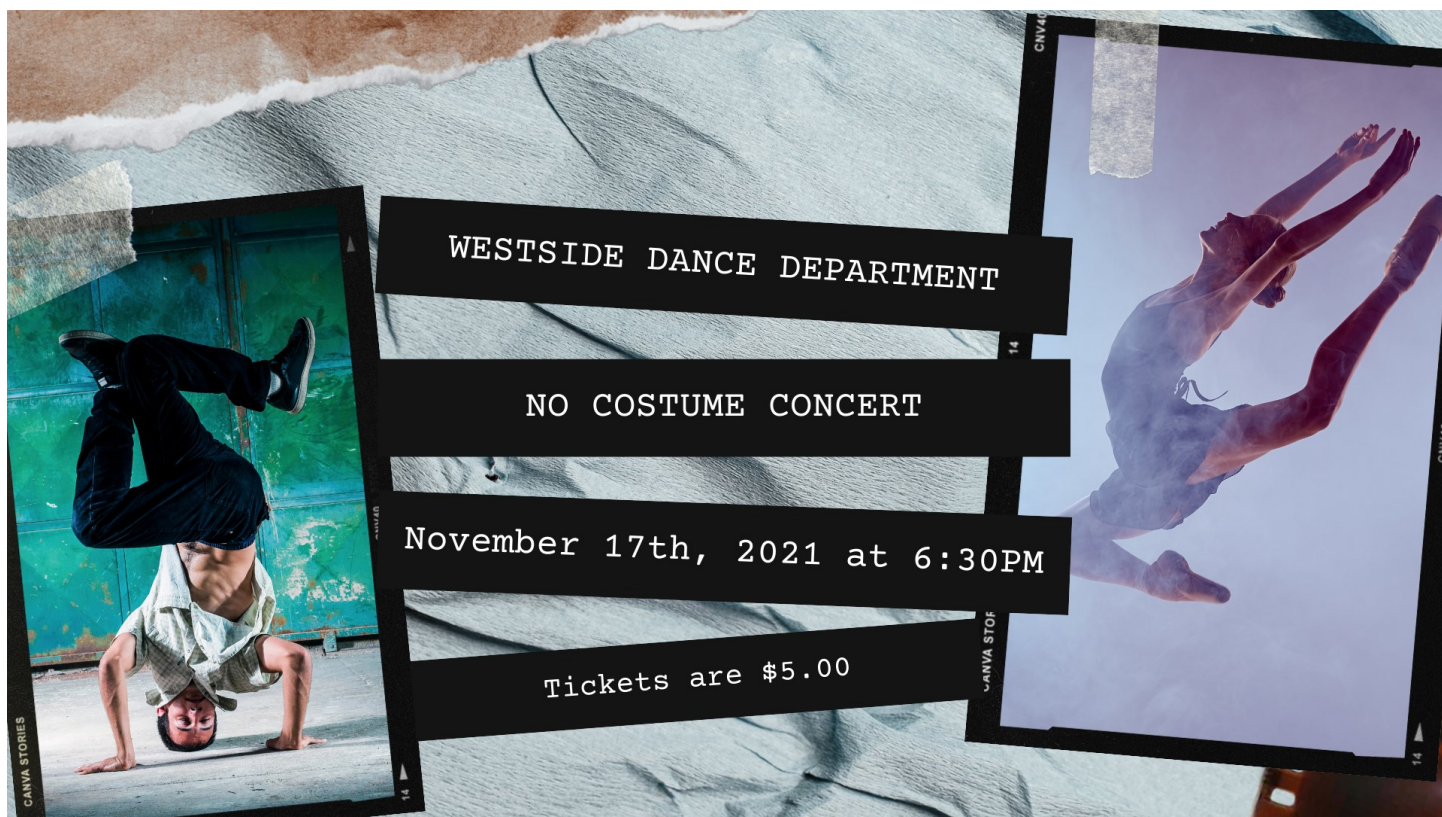


WESTSIDE CHESS CLUB

EVERY FRIDAY IN N221 DURING LUNCH

IF YOU LIKE CHESS, WANT TO LEARN CHESS, OR WANT TO
PLAY CHESS THEN WE HAVE A PLACE FOR YOU.

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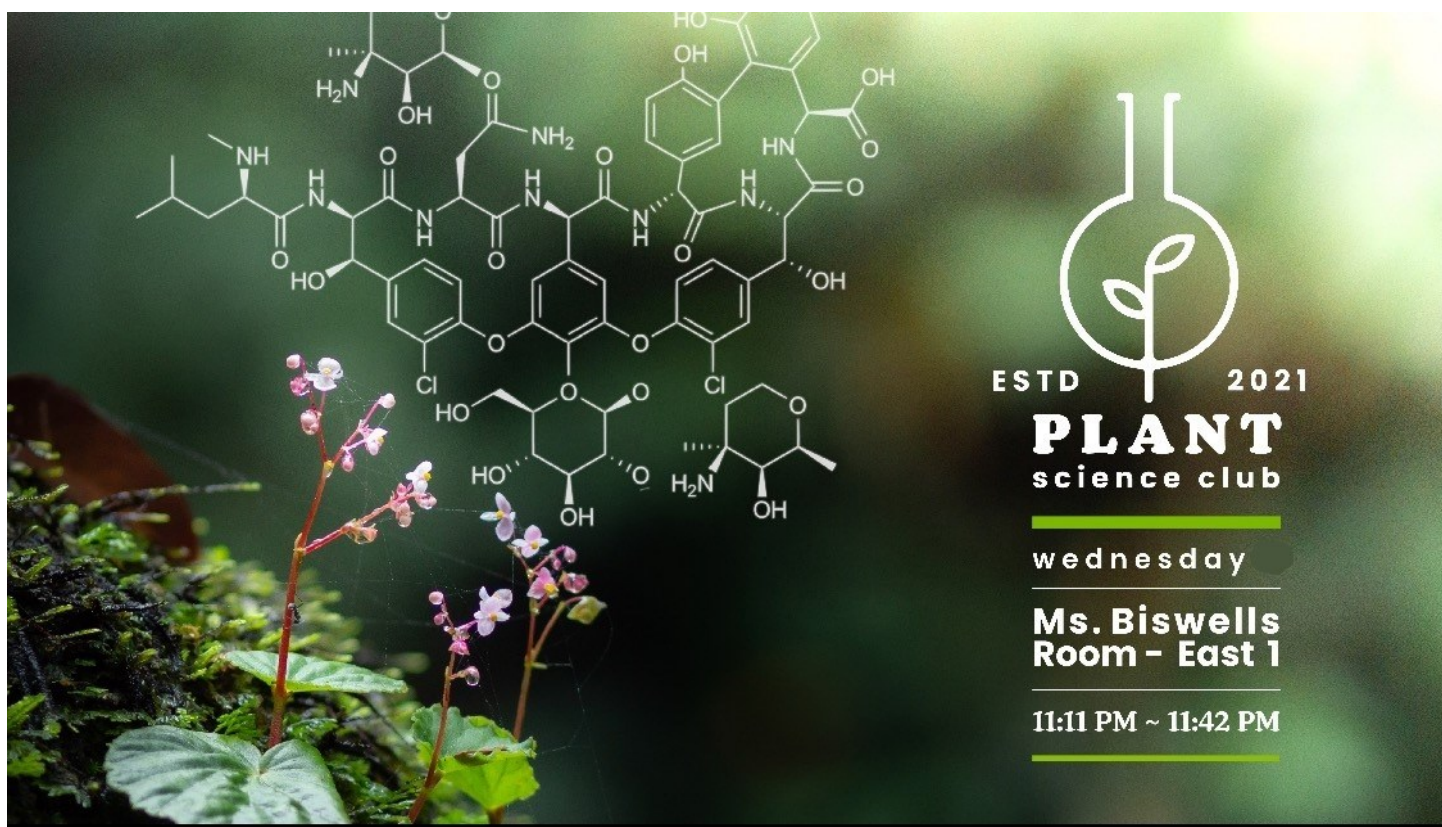
A poster for the Westside Dance Department. It features a collage background with torn paper edges. On the left, a man in a white shirt and black pants is performing a handstand against a green wall. On the right, a person is in a dynamic pose against a purple background. In the center, there are four black rectangular banners with white text. The text on the banners reads: "WESTSIDE DANCE DEPARTMENT", "NO COSTUME CONCERT", "November 17th, 2021 at 6:30PM", and "Tickets are \$5.00".

WESTSIDE DANCE DEPARTMENT

NO COSTUME CONCERT

November 17th, 2021 at 6:30PM

Tickets are \$5.00

A poster for the Plant Science Club. The background is a dark green with a blurred image of a plant with small pink flowers. Overlaid on the background is a complex chemical structure diagram. On the right side, there is a logo consisting of a stylized plant inside a circle. Below the logo, the text reads: "ESTD 2021", "PLANT science club", "wednesday", "Ms. Biswells Room - East 1", and "11:11 PM ~ 11:42 PM".

ESTD 2021

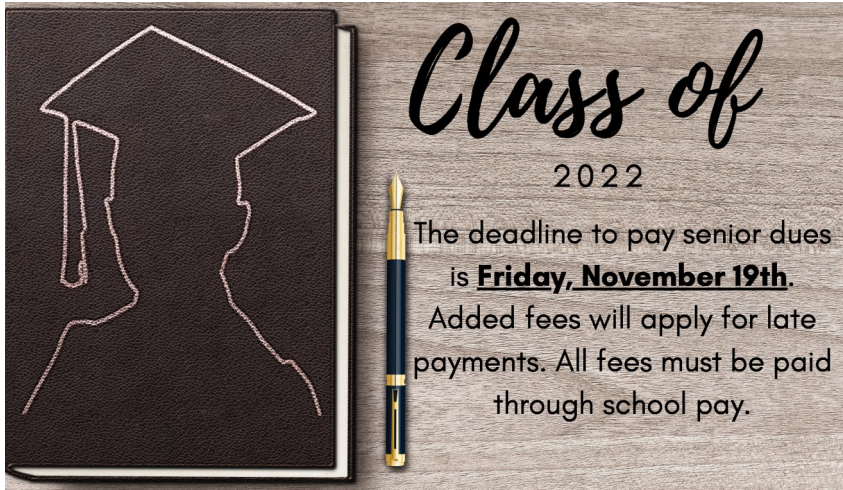
PLANT
science club

wednesday

**Ms. Biswells
Room - East 1**

11:11 PM ~ 11:42 PM

Senior Announcements



Class of 2022 Senior Dues Information

WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

Senior dues are a mandatory, one-time payment that finance senior activities and graduation necessities; components covered by fees are a package and can not be itemized.

WHAT DOES IT COVER?

- Cap & Gown
- Graduation Ceremony
- Diploma & Diploma Cover
- Graduation Panoramic Picture
- Senior Picnic
- Senior T-Shirt
- Senior Awards/Honors Night
- Senior Movie Night

HOW MUCH ARE SENIOR DUES?

- **\$140.00 if paid by November 19, 2021** (\$100 if a student receives free or reduced lunch).
- **Senior Dues increase to \$180.00 if paid after November 19th.** There is no discount for students who receive free or reduced lunch after November 19th. The deadline for all late payments is March 11, 2022.

To receive the discounted price, students MUST complete the Socioeconomic Information Form and be approved:

- Completed from the first day packet and returned to Ms. Mayfield in N207.
- OR-
- Completed online through PowerSchool, under forms in the left side menu.

- **All payments can be made on school pay.**
- If credit card payment is not an option, CASH payment can be made through Ms. Lockard in the Westside Library

THE FINE PRINT

Seniors who have not paid their dues will lose privileges such as off-campus lunch. Senior Dues will be added to the price of prom tickets if not paid beforehand. Graduation requires mandatory school purchases; therefore, senior dues are not optional.



**Pay your Senior
Dues online!**

Click here for :

School Pay



or

**See Ms. Lockard
(Financial Clerk)
In the Library
to Pay Cash**

Senior Announcements

Senior Yearbook Portraits

You still have time!

Book an appointment at the

Legacy Studio

1824 Spring Street
Houston, TX 77077
716.512.6336

Deadline for your portrait to appear in the 2022 Yearbook is:
November 23rd

Legacy will be back on campus
March 25, 2022 for
Cap & Gown Portraits

For information contact:
S Roberts
srobert2@houstonisd.org

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL Class of 2022

BRING OUT THE POPCORN!

SENIOR MOVIE NIGHT

THIS IS A SENIOR ONLY EVENT. PLEASE SEE THE CLASS OF 2022 HUB
PAGE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

NOVEMBER 18, 2021 - 6:30 - 8:30 PM
WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL COURTYARD & PAVILION

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Ultrium Metal (Silver Metal)
- Antique Finish
- Smooth or Imperial Cut Stone
- Oval or Square Top Stone
- Official Custom Mascot
- 1 Prideside (your choice of activity side with name & graduation year)
- 3 Initials Engraved on Inside of Ring Band
- Lifetime Warranty
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Questions?

phone: 713.864.6464

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Order online anytime

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Westside High School CLASS OF 2022

Final
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December 1st!

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celebrate
your achievements
with custom
graduation
announcements

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before it's
too late!**

[View Complete Senior
Graduation Catalog Here!](https://highschool.herffjones.com)

Time Sensitive Info!
ORDER TODAY ONLINE HERE!
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Only \$80 Down Order on time and avoid any late fees
Order delivered approx. 4-6 weeks prior to Graduation

Cap and Gowns have been ordered by School
No order is needed for Cap and Gown

Due to Possible future COVID shutdowns and
supply chain shortages, Graduation Package
Orders **MUST** be submitted by Dec. 1st Deadline.
If you miss the on-campus order session above...
Order Online ~ highschool.herffjones.com
Before Deadline Date

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Have Questions?
Herff Jones
Houston Graduation Center
office@higradcenter.com
www.hjgradcenter.com

THE SPIRIT OF ACHIEVEMENT

Announcements



Christians On Campus

**ALL Wolves
Welcome**

**Wednesdays during
lunch in E213
(bring your lunch)**

**Text @whschr to
81010 to join the
Remind!**

Connecting - Learning - Discussing - Sharing

Free Tutorials & SAT Prep at Westside



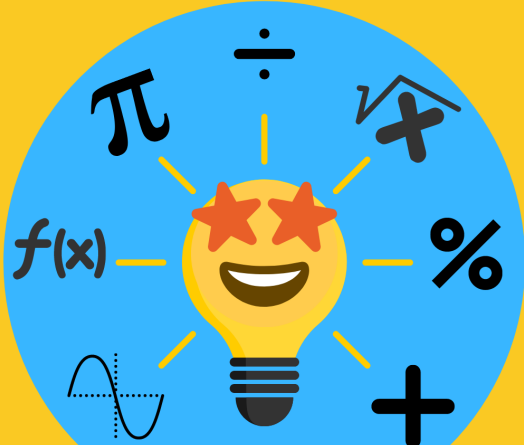
Saturday Tutorials

October 9, 23 & 30
November 6 & 13
December 4 & 11

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





SATURDAY *SAT* **MATH** *PREP*

Every Saturday starting 10/16

Score of 550 or lower
on your PSAT or Practice Exam
11 AM-12:30 PM

Score of above 550
on your PSAT or Practice Exam
12:30-2 PM

See Mr. Anderson-Kelly in N237
or email PANDERS5@houstonisd.org

Howler Hour

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORIALS

Scan for Schedule



Sp Adobe Spark

Thursday Virtual Magnet Tours



WESTSIDE SCHOOL TOURS



VIRTUAL TOURS	TIME	MICROSOFT TEAMS LINK
Thursday, October 14th	1:00 pm	Click here: Oct. 14th Tour
Jueves, Octubre 14th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Oct. 14th Excursion
Thursday, October 21st	1:00 pm	Click here: Oct. 21st Tour
Jueves, Octubre 21st En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Oct. 21st Excursion
Thursday, October 28th	1:00 pm	Click here: Oct. 21st Tour
Jueves, Octubre 28th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Oct. 28th Excursion
Thursday, November 4th	1:00 pm	Click here: Oct. 28th Tour
Jueves, Noviembre 4th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Nov. 4th Excursion
Thursday, November 11th	1:00 pm	Click here: Nov. 4th Tour
Jueves, Noviembre 11th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Nov. 11th Excursion
Thursday, November 18th	1:00 pm	Click here: Nov. 11th Tour
Jueves, Noviembre 18th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Nov. 18th Excursion
Thursday, December 2nd	1:00 pm	Click here: Nov. 18th Tour
Jueves, Diciembre 2nd En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Dec. 2nd Excursion
Thursday, December 9th	1:00 pm	Click here: Dec. 2nd Tour
Jueves, Deciembre 9th En Espanol	1:45 pm	Haga clic aqui: Dec. 9th Excursion

For more information contact

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9th Graders: Interested in Westside's "Futures Academy of Health Sciences"?

Applications are available now for current WHS 9th grade students who are interested in Westside Future's Academy of Health Science. The Futures Academy provides the opportunity for students who are interested in the medical profession to take classes through Houston Community College. Upon successful completion of the program, students will earn an Associates Degree, 60 college credit hours. If interested, apply now at www.HISDChoice.com For more information regarding this impressive program, please contact Dean Stephanie Matlock, SMATLOCK@houstonisd.org For information on how to apply, please contact E. Jane Miller, Westside's Magnet Coordinator and Campus Transfer Analyst.



THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN MEDICINE?

**CURRENT
9TH
GRADE
STUDENT?**

**Want to earn
60 college
hours?**

**An
Associates
Degree?**

	Spring/Fall 9 th Grade	Principles of Health Science
	Spring/Fall 10 th Grade	Medical Terminology
	FUTURES HCC COURSE WORK	AA Degree
Westside High School	Spring/10th Grade	(48) EDUC 1300: Learning Framework
	Summer/10th-11th Grade	(48) PSYC 2301: Intro to Psychology (48) HUMA 1301: Intro to Humanities
	Fall/11th Grade	(96) BIOL 1406: General Biology I (96) CHEM 1411: General Chemistry I (48) HIST 1301: U.S. History to 1877 (48) GOVT 2305: Federal Government
HCC Campus	Spring/11th Grade	(96) BIOL 1407: General Biology II (96) CHEM 1412: General Chemistry II (48) HIST 1302: U.S. History after 1877 (48) GOVT 2306: Texas Government
	Summer/11th-12th Grade	(48) HIST 2311: Western Civilization (48) MATH 1314: College Algebra
	Fall/12th Grade	(48) ENGL 1301: Composition I (96) BIOL 2401: Anatomy & Physiology I (48) MATH 1316: Trig
	Spring/12th Grade	(48) ENGL 1302: Composition II (96) BIOL 2402: Anatomy & Physiology II (96) MATH 2412: PreCalculus
		TOTAL HCC Credits: 60 hrs

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YOUR
PROGRAM**



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
14201 BRIAR FOREST HOU TX 77077
281-920-8000



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Announcements

*Tell your
teachers...
you care!*

Write a note to your favorite teacher and drop in the box in the Commons by Wednesday!



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Announcements



Volunteer 2021-2022

New and Returning Volunteers, please click [here](#) to complete the online application process.



Bell Schedule

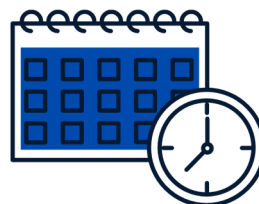


Mon/Tues/Fri

1st Period	7:45 - 8:45
2nd Period	8:50 - 9:41
3rd Period	9:46 - 10:37
4th Period	10:42 - 11:33
LUNCH	11:37 - 12:37
5th Period	12:42 - 1:33
6th Period	1:38 - 2:29
7th Period	2:34 - 3:25

Wednesday & Thursday

1st Period	7:45 - 8:45
3rd/2nd Period	8:50 - 10:22
Home Room	10:27 - 11:07
LUNCH	11:11 - 12:11
5th/4th Period	12:16 - 1:48
7th/6th Period	1:53 - 3:25



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
School Schedule
2021 - 2022

7:45 AM-3:25 PM



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