



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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Showcase Open House on Thursday

January 17, 2023

WESTSIDE'S SHOWCASE

Open House Evening Event

For ALL 8th & 9th graders - zoned & magnet - and families!

Thursday, January 19th, 5-7 PM

Meet the Principal

Check out our:

Academics & Magnet Programs
Athletics, Fine Arts & Clubs

Enjoy Student Performances



Home of the WOLVES

www.westsidewolves.org
Westside High School 14201 Briar Forest Drive

Join us this Thursday from 5 - 7 PM for Westside's Showcase Open House. This event is for anyone interested in exploring opportunities available at Westside:

- 8th/9th Grade students planning/interested in attending Westside next year—Zoned and Magnet
- Current Westside students who want to consider a different career pathway, or are looking for a club, sport or fine arts program to join.

We look forward to gathering with students and families on Thursday ...come join us and find out what Westside has to offer for you!

January 19

Westside's Showcase Open House, 5-7 PM

January 21 & 28

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

February 20

Teacher Service Day, No school for students

February 27

PTO Meeting, 6:30 PM in S100

March 13-17

Spring Break

[2022-2023 HISD Calendar](#)

ASVAB and TSIA2 Tests: How can they help you?

ASVAB Career Exploration Program at Westside High School - sign-up by 2/13

Westside High School is very excited to announce our partnership with the [ASVAB Career Exploration Program](#), a free career planning tool.

Participation in the ASVAB Career Exploration Program is optional and **open to any WHS student in grades 11 & 12 who are not sure about what they want to do after high school**. Taking the ASVAB test does not commit students to the military in any way.

Click [here](#) to register for the test by November 4th.

Test Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023
Location: TBD
Time: 7:45 am
Length of Test: 3 hours

For More Information

Please see:

[Ms. Holloway](#) in A206

Or

[Major Gozalo](#) in R123

To view Frequently Asked Questions about the program, please click [here](#).

If you are a student and wish to view more detailed information about the program, please click [here](#).

November TSIA2 Testing at Westside High School for Seniors

The Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2) is a series of tests for students enrolling in public colleges and universities in Texas. The tests help Texas schools determine whether a student is ready for college-level courses in the areas of reading, writing, and math.

The TSIA, or one of its exemptions, has been required of Texas students entering a Texas college or university for nearly ten years. The TSIA is administered through the College Board's Accuplacer digital platform.

If students are not ready for college-level courses, the tests help determine what types of courses or intervention will best prepare them for college-level work. TSIA2 tests are taken on their school-issued computer and, depending on school policy, results will be available immediately after they finish the test.

Not all Texas college students have to take TSIA2. If your student has met college readiness standards on a standardized test like the SAT, they may be [exempt](#). NOTE: SAT Scores are available in your student's [College Board](#) account.

If your student is NOT exempt, they can [sign up here](#). The sign up is for notification only, not the test date. There are sample questions and practice tests available [here](#). Students should review these and complete the **mandatory preassessment activity** (found using the provided link) prior to arriving for their appointment. They should log in using their Accuplacer account information, and if they do not have an account, they will need to register for one.

Once the preassessment is complete, students will receive a Certificate of Completion that will be used as their entry ticket to the TSIA appointment. Certificates should be emailed to aturner1@houstonisd.org.

For more information, please see your Dean.

School News

Wolf Band: Over the weekend, four Westside Wolf Band members participated in the All-Region Clinic and Concert hosted at Jordan HS in Katy ISD. These students met for a grand total of 6.5 hours and put on a concert with renowned conductors after only ONE DAY of rehearsing. Please congratulate Ellie Tran (flute), Christina Ramirez (trumpet), Elle Duncan (percussion), and Liam Mahone (trombone) on an outstanding concert! Honorable mentions also go to Kai Mahone and Luke Castro (not pictured) for earning a spot in the Region 23 District Band!



Wrestling: Congratulations to the Wolf Wrestling Team for hosting another successful **Chicken Wing Invitational Wrestling Tournament** at Westside last weekend! Way to go, Wolves!



Announcements

Saturday Tutorials

January 21 & 28

February 4 & 11

March 4 & 25

April 15 & 29

May 6, 13, 20 & 27

9 AM-12 Noon

Enter via main doors from horseshoe driveway on Briar Forest
Wear school-appropriate attire
Bring IDs, assignments & charged laptops

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WESTSIDE BASEBALL TRYOUTS

WHEN: FRIDAY, JANUARY 20TH

WHERE: WESTSIDE BASEBALL FIELD

TIME: 3:45 PM

WHAT TO BRING: GLOVE

REQUIREMENTS TO TRYOUT

CURRENT PHYSICAL ON HISD PHYSICAL FORM WITH A DOCTOR STAMP

3RD SIX WEEKS "PASSING" REPORT CARD

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THESE ITEMS, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TRYOUT



JANUARY IS
SCHOOL BOARD
RECOGNITION MONTH

THANK YOU

DR. KENDALL BAKER

HISD TRUSTEE, DISTRICT VI

WITH APPRECIATION
FROM
WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



Announcements



DID YOU RECEIVE AN “NG” FOR A CLASS?

ATTENDANCE APPEAL MEETING

JANUARY 21, 2023

8:00

***IF YOU HAVE ANY CLASSES WITH AN “NG” FROM
FALL 2022 OR ANY OTHER SEMESTER BEFORE
FALL 2022.....***

*There will be an Attendance Appeal meeting that will
include instructions on how to remove the NGs from your
transcript and how to complete community service hours.*

YOU MUST BRING YOUR LAPTOP



**ATTENDANCE
APPEAL**

Meeting

January 21, 2023

8:00

**THIS MEETING IS
MANDATORY TO
RESTORE YOUR
CREDITS.**

**WESTSIDE HIGH
SCHOOL**

14201 Briarforest
Houston, Texas 77077

For more information,
contact

Cheryl Williams

cbyrd@houstonisd.org

Or (713) 556-5248

Announcements

Your Future Starts Here

Career & Leadership Summit for High School Girls

Discover the options waiting for you

Register for Free



Saturday January 21st
9am - 12:30pm
Westside High School

Presented by **NERDY GIRL SUCCESS**

Sponsored by **Allstate**



FIND YOUR future




THE FUTURES ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

CURRENT 9th GRADE STUDENT? Interested in a career in medicine, want to earn 2 year of college credit?
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Announcements

Don't give into negative thinking..
When negative thoughts creep in, CHALLENGE IT!

Is this thought 100% true?
What would I tell a friend in this situation?
What emotions are coming up right now for me?
Am I focusing on a worst case scenario?
Will this matter tomorrow? ..in a week?
Is this even in my control?

To learn more join us for Reflection Group, Tuesday 10/18 during the first half of lunch in N144. For more information see Ms. Williams in N144.

Got Conflict?

Conflict is a normal part of life. But we can always find ways to better handle and solve our problems.

Stay in the loop! Sign up for Remind notifications @opengroup

Group held on Thursdays:
Oct: 10/20
Nov: 11/3 & 11/17
Dec: 12/8
Jan: 1/12 & 1/26
Feb: 2/9 & 2/23

What: Join us for Reflection Group
When: Every other Thursday during the 1st half of lunch
Where: Room N144
Who: Open to all students

For more information see Ms. Williams in N144.

Ever experience irrational or uncontrollable worries?

Does your mood change seemingly out of nowhere?

Join our Anxiety & Depression Support Group!

This group offers an opportunity to connect and learn with others who also struggle with anxiety and/or depression.

Group is held on Wednesdays in Room N144 during the 1st half of lunch.

Wednesday Group Dates:
Oct: 10/26
Nov: 11/9 & 11/30
Dec: 12/4
Jan: 1/18
Feb: 2/1 & 2/15
Mar: 3/1

Stay in the loop! Sign up for Remind notifications. Text @andgroup to 81010

For more information see Ms. Williams in N144.

CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS

ALL Wolves Welcome

Starts this Friday! Bring your lunch

Wednesdays during lunch in E213

Text @whschr to 81010 to join Remind!

FELLOWSHIP - LEARNING - DISCUSSING - ENCOURAGING

HOW SMART ARE YOU REALLY?

Quiz Bowl

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. If you're interested in increasing your academic prowess while making new friends then this is your club!

Sign up to our remind! Send text to 81010: @quizbowlbt

Contact Ms. Diorio for more info! Elena.Diorio@houstonisd.org

AQUATICS SWIM MEET SCHEDULE

DATE	Vs / MEET	START TIME	LOCATION
Nov 1	Jersey Village / Cy-Springs	6 PM	WESTSIDE
Nov 9	Sikkema Splash Invitational	6 PM	WESTSIDE
Nov 16	St. Johns+	6 PM	WESTSIDE
Nov 18-19	TISCA Invitational	TBA	CFISD Natatorium
Nov 30	Lamar	6 PM	Lamar HS
Dec 8	Cy-Ranch / Cy-Lakes	6 PM	Cy-Ranch
Dec 14	Winter Invite	6 PM	WESTSIDE
Jan 30	Memorial	6 PM	SBISD Natatorium
Jan 17	Bellaire	6 PM	Bellaire HS
Jan 20	JV CHAMPS	6 PM	Lamar HS
Jan 28	Varsity Districts	10 AM	Lamar HS

COME OUT TO MAKE SOME NOISE AND SUPPORT YOUR WESTSIDE WATER WOLVES

Urban Agriculture Club

Wednesdays during lunch in V101

Try new foods
Explore the garden
Meet new people
Club Sponsor: Coach Spence

JOIN THE KPOP CLUB 22-23!

LET'S TOUCH the sky

DRONE CLUB
WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30 ROOM VIII
JOIN THE REMIND
TEXT @DRONEWEST TO 81010

DEIBANNE

EVERYDAY AFTER SCHOOL
E231
3:30 to 4:30 pm

SENIOR Announcements



Click for the [Senior Countdown](#) with LIVE LINKS!

**Class of 2023 - Senior Countdown
Fall Edition**

Westside Seniors,

Welcome to your senior year! I am excited to be working with you all this school year. Please read this document carefully and share it with your parents. This information is also available on the Class of 2023 Canvas course. If you have questions, stop by room N225 or email me at margaret.willet@houstonisd.org. Let's make this a year to remember! Go Wolves!

Ms. Willett
Senior Class Coordinator

SENIOR DUES

Senior Dues are MANDATORY for all seniors and/or 4th year students.
 Dues are a ONE TIME PAYMENT of \$140 unless the student does NOT make the payment before November 18th. Late fees will apply for payments made after November 18th. Access school pay [here](#).
 Students may not choose to deny individual items to make a smaller payment.
 The Senior Dues total is non-negotiable.

School Pay



What do Senior Dues Cover?

1. Cap & Gown
2. Graduation Ceremony
3. Diploma & Diploma Cover
4. Graduation Panoramic Picture
5. Senior Picnic
6. Senior T-Shirt
7. Senior Awards/Honors Night

Paying \$100 or in cash? See Ms. Lockard (located in the Library or School Store)

ONE TIME PAYMENT!!

When you pay determines payment amount Pay by the following date	Qualified for Federal Free/Reduced Lunch*	All others
before 11/18/2022 you owe:	\$100.00	\$140.00
after 11/18/2022 you owe:	\$180.00 (no discount)	\$180.00

*To receive the discounted price, students **MUST** complete the following documents:
 Free and Reduced Lunch form (Dean Mayfield)
 SAQ Form (Student Support Center)

SENIOR SHIRTS: VOTE HERE



COLLEGE CENTER & TRANSCRIPT

Please see the steps below for ordering your transcript

- First, list the colleges in Naviance under "Colleges I am applying to"
- Second, come to the College Center, complete the YELLOW form and pay \$2.

See Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Maguire, or Ms. Paredes for specific College Center Needs

Attendance Reminders

Your attendance is CRUCIAL to your success! You must attend all classes! If you are absent....

- 3 Days to bring a note for an Excused Absence to Attendance Office
- 3 Unexcused Absences = Referral to dean or administrator
- 4 Unexcused Absences = Attendance contract with your dean after truancy discussion and possible solutions
- 7 Unexcused Absences = Reverse Suspension (your parent/guardian attends school with you)
- 8 Unexcused Absences = Referral to TRIAD Juvenile Court for Saturday counseling sessions
- 10 Unexcused Absences = Truancy Criminal/Civil Court case considered for filing

If your home address changes, notify the Attendance Office ASAP

SENIOR COUNTDOWN: Upcoming Events & Due Dates

Month	Event
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sept 30: Senior Sunrise – 6:45 am Location: Bleachers of Track and Field
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookie Dough Fundraiser: money and order forms are due October 17, 18 collected during lunch in the Commons • Senior portraits: schedule at www.seniors.legacystudios.com
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Skate Night 11/9/2022 7:00 - 9:00 pm Dairy Ashford Roller Rink Tickets are \$10 and will be sold at lunch • Senior dues deadline: Nov 18, 2022 • Cap and Gown orders
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Movie Night - date TBD
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Spring Meeting: TBD
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prom! April 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm, Hyatt Regency, West Houston • Ticket sales will be 2 weeks prior • Prom contracts available early April
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENIOR HONORS NIGHT (May 18) Auditorium • SENIOR WEEK ACTIVITIES (TENTATIVE) Senior Check-Out; Panoramic Picture; Graduation Rehearsal, Senior Picnic • Graduation at NRG Stadium ... time and date (usually in June) will be set by the HISD board in the spring

STAY CONNECTED

- Westside Instagram: [@whssenior2023](https://www.instagram.com/whssenior2023)
- Make sure email address and cell phone number are correct in College Center



Westside High School's Graduation Ceremony



Class
of
2023

Saturday, June 3, 2023

12:00 Noon at NRG Stadium

1 NRG Park, Houston, Texas 77054

SENIOR Announcements



SEE YOU AT THE

Senior Meeting

Thursday, February 2nd
During Guidance
In the Auditorium

Senior class of 2023

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM

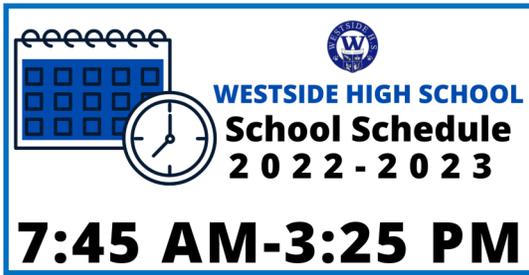
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WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
School Schedule
2022 - 2023

7:45 AM-3:25 PM

22/23 Bell Schedule

Mon/Tues/Fri		Wednesday & Thursday	
1st Period	7:45 - 8:45	1st Period	7:45 - 8:45
2nd Period	8:50 - 9:41	3rd/2nd Period	8:50 - 10:22
3rd Period	9:46 - 10:37	Pack Time	10:27 - 11:07
4th Period	10:42 - 11:33	LUNCH	11:11 - 12:07
LUNCH	11:37 - 12:33	5th/4th Period	12:16 - 1:48
5th Period	12:42 - 1:33	7th/6th Period	1:53 - 3:25
6th Period	1:38 - 2:29		
7th Period	2:34 - 3:25		

Wolves THRIVE!

VIPS
Volunteers in Public School

Calling All Parent Volunteers!
 Complete your VIPS Registration

[HERE](#)

Reminder:
 New registration
 required each school year
 Including:
 Virtual Orientation
 &
 Background Check

SCHOOL PAY

PAY FEES FOR SCHOOL USING A CREDIT CARD

<https://www.houstonisd.org/domain/42218>

~Laptop Fees ~Senior Dues ~Sports Fees
 ~Program Fees ~Organization Fees

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Westside Wear for Sale at School Store
 School Store Open on School Days: 7:30-7:45 AM and During Lunch

\$10	\$12	\$20	Discontinued Items Available While Supplies Last
\$15	\$15	\$45	\$35
		\$35	\$50
			\$45

All Sales Final. No Returns/No Exchanges. Cash Only. Students are required to wear shirts & jackets purchased at the School Store or official club/org shirts & jackets. May not wear shirts and jackets purchased from outside retailers. Go to www.westsidewolves.org for detailed Uniform Policy.

UNIFORM POLICY 22/23
 Preview

What To Wear:

- ✓ Shirts Purchased from the School Store & Official Club/Organization Shirts
- ✓ Sweatshirts & Jackets Purchased from the School Store & Official Club/Org Sweatshirts & Jackets
- ✓ Hoodies Purchased from PTO & Official Club/Org Hoodies
- ✓ Black or Blue Denim & Black, Navy & Khaki Uniform-Style Bottoms (Pants, shorts, skirts)

May Not Wear:

- ✗ Shirts, Sweatshirts, Jackets & Hoodies Purchased from Outside Retailers (Only School Shirts, Sweatshirts, Jackets & Hoodies Allowed)
- ✗ Pants/Skirts/Shorts of Other Colors
- ✗ No rips/holes that expose skin above knees
- ✗ Leggings/Tights/Yoga Pants Running Shorts/Tennis Skirts

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

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