



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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Welcome Back, Wolves!

January 9, 2023



January 9

First Day of Second Semester

January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School

January 19

Westside's Showcase Open House Evening, 5-7 PM

February 20

Teacher Service Day, No school for students

March 13-17

Spring Break

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

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Announcements

JANUARY IS
SCHOOL BOARD
RECOGNITION MONTH

THANK YOU
DR. KENDALL BAKER

WITH APPRECIATION
FROM
WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



Westside High School's
Graduation Ceremony



Saturday, June 3, 2023

12:00 Noon at NRG Stadium

1 NRG Park, Houston, Texas 77054

School News

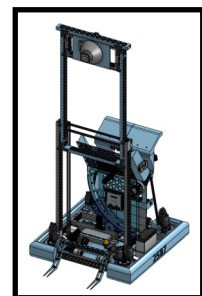
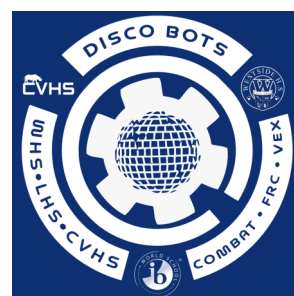
Robotics:

Lots of great stuff happening in Robotics; join the club!

Robotics Club has partnered with DiscoBots (Houston Non-Profit) to bring more knowledge, and support to our competition season this year. Our FRC team will be participating in the FIRST CHARGED-UP season in 2023 under their guidance in partnership with Lamar and Carnegie High School. We will be competing as one team called Discobots, FRC 2587. There was a logo design challenge open to all students across the three schools and Senior Aya Aljanabi from Westside came up with the best design.

We had a very successful Poinsettia fundraiser in December, followed by plant delivery and an ice cream social in the bus parking lot.

Over winter break, the club participated in an international Cadathon competition with Siddharth Agarwala as team captain, and students from Westside and Lamar participated. Details can be found here [12th F4 CADathon - FIRST / General Forum - Chief Delphi](#). We placed at 21st rank overall with a great robot design and wonderful feedback from judges. It was a great learning experience for all. Here is a CAD model of their robot.



ESL (English as a Second Language) Department:

Happy New Year! Exciting news from the ESL Department!

During the holiday season, we took a group of 50 students to The Wortham Center to see *The Nutcracker Ballet*. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to be in touch with their emotions, expand their imagination, and experience an amazing performance. Because these students had been focused on learning various components of fairy tales, *The Nutcracker* was the perfect way to be transported to a fantasy world through art. It was evident that students enjoyed the performance and overarching story, and, for our teachers and chaperones, it was rewarding to see how invested our students were as audience members. Thank you to the work of the ESL department and Dean Gonzalez for coordinating the event. We hope this experience has inspired our students for years to come, and that this field trip becomes a tradition at Westside High School!



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Alumni Breakfast 2023 is in the books!
Thank you to our former graduates for taking time to come back to the pack!



We would like to extend our best wishes to Sergeant Coll on his retirement from Westside HS.
Good luck!

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

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Or (713) 556-5248

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.willetts@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 HUSD board in the spring

STAY CONNECTED

- Westside Instagram: @whssenior2023
- Make sure email address and cell phone number are correct in College Center



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1 NRG Park, Houston, Texas 77054



Senior class of 2023

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM



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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



Sponsored by



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?

APPLY NOW!

Westside's Futures Academy of Health Science Magnet
WWW.CHOOSHEISD.COM



Announcements



Get **CONNECTED**
BUY YOUR
2023
YEARBOOK
TODAY!

Balfour.com

QR code for yearbook purchase.

Got Conflict?

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

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

Stay in the loop!
 Sign up for Remind notifications

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

For more information see Ms. Williams in N144.

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.

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.

Announcements

JOIN THE KPOP CLUB 22-23!



1ST AND THIRD FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH IN E124!

INSTA: @WESTSIDEKPOPCLUB
REMIND: @KPOPWOL

CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS

New Day!!

Wednesdays during lunch in E213

Text @whschr to 81010 to join Remind!

ALL Wolves Welcome

Starts this Friday! Bring your lunch

FELLOWSHIP - LEARNING - DISCUSSING - ENCOURAGING

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	CFSD 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 10	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

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. Dilorio for more info!
Elena.Dilorio@houstonisd.org




LET'S TOUCH the sky

EST. 2018

DRONE CLUB

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30 ROOM VIII

JOIN THE REMIND
TEXT @DRONEWEST TO 81010

Urban Agriculture Club

Wednesdays during lunch in V101



Try new foods
Explore the garden
Meet new people

Club Sponsor: Coach Spence



DIABATTE

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

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

www.houstonisd.org/domain/42218

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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 **Facebook: Westside High School**

 **Instagram: gowestsidewolves**

 **Twitter: @westsidehigh**

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