



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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Announcements

March 6, 2023



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!



Support our school and our students with the PTO

We have the right volunteer spot for you!

Scan the QR and let us know how you can help

Questions? Email us at whsptovolunteers@gmail.com



NHS Invitations

*Will be distributed by deans
today and tomorrow!*

Application deadline is March 24 at 3:25 PM



*Spring
Break*

March 13-17



Calendar

March 13-17
Spring Break

March 22
School Day SAT
for 11th Grade

March 31
Chavez-Huerta
Day, No School

April 7
Spring Holiday,
No School

April 21
Spring Holiday,
No School

[2022-2023](#)
[HISD](#)
[Calendar](#)

Upcoming Testing

TSIA2 Testing

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.

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. Test dates will be available throughout the semester; please see your dean for details.

SAT School Day

SAT® School Day allows states, districts, and schools to offer juniors the opportunity to take the SAT during their regular school day at their home school, expanding access to a globally recognized college admission test.

- Test Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023
- Audience: All 11th grade students
- No registration necessary

FREE

Click here for [more information about the test](#) and here for [practice opportunities and sample questions](#).

TELPAS

Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS) Test

TELPAS is an assessment program developed by the Texas Education Agency for students in Texas public schools who are learning the English language. Texas annually assesses the English language proficiency of students who have been identified as English learners (ELs) in four language domains—listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

Testing Window: February 21 – March 28, 2022

Audience: Students identified as English learners

STAAR End of Course Exams

Save the Dates:

English I STAAR EOC—April 18

English II STAAR EOC—April 19

Biology STAAR EOC—May 2

US History STAAR EOC—May 3

Algebra I STAAR EOC—May 4

Why Take the TSIA2?



TOP 10 REASONS TO TAKE TSIA2

1. When you pass TSIA MATH/ELAR, you do not have to take remedial courses in college
2. Save Money
3. Save Time
4. Comfort: Test here at Westside--familiar environment
5. Convenience: Multiple dates, multiple opportunities
6. Results are good for 5 Years
7. Get the support you need & prepare here at Westside
8. Results are accepted by any Texas state-funded school
9. Peace of mind: One less thing to worry about as you decide on next steps
10. Confidence: know you are ready for college, career and LIFE!

#WolvesTHRIVE



School News

Athletics Updates:

Westside Girls Soccer: We have two final district games this week. Wednesday vs. Westbury at Delmar @ 7:45 PM and this Friday vs. Sam @ 6 PM at Delmar. We have secured playoffs!!

Westside Softball:

Tuesday: we play Bellaire at 7PM at Delmar

Friday: we play at 4:30PM at Delmar vs Heights

Westside Baseball:

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK—GRANT BERRY (SOPHOMORE)-- .400 average, .571 On Base Percentage, 4 Walks

PITCHER OF THE WEEK—JACOB COLE (SENIOR) – Pitched 5 innings against Dickinson scattering 5 hits and 2 earned runs.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK—DEUCE ABEL (SOPHOMORE) – 1.000 fielding percentage, 11 put outs and 2 assists while playing 3 different positions.

Varsity Games This Week:

TUESDAY at 7:00 PM: Varsity @ Manvel;

THURSDAY at 4:45 PM: Varsity vs. Caney Creek @ Strake Jesuit High School (8900 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, TX 77036);

FRIDAY at 4:45 PM: Varsity vs. Foster @ Strake Jesuit High School (8900 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, TX 77036); 7:00 PM: Varsity vs. Beaumont Westbrook @ Strake Jesuit High School (8900 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, TX 77036)

SATURDAY at 10:00 AM: Varsity vs. Strake Jesuit @ Strake Jesuit High School (8900 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, TX 77036)

Westside Track & Field:

The Following Athletes Placed in this Weekends Track Meets:

Friday:

Jordan (800m)

Jahbari (100m)

Afuke (Triple Jump)

Saturday:

Elijah Franklin (300 h)

We compete on Wednesday at Dulles HS and Friday at B.O. Davis HS.

Go Wolves!

Dual Credit Information

Westside DUAL CREDIT – 2023-2024

You can earn up to 26 hours of college credit at Westside!

Westside Dual Credit program is now accepting paperwork for the 2023-24 school year.

Courses offered:

ENGL 1301/1302

~English 4
~12th grade

HIST 1301/1302

~U. S. History
~11th grade

ARTS 1301/1303

~Art History and Art Appreciation
~10th, 11th, 12th grades

Can count as your fine arts requirement or as an elective

MATH 1314/1316

~College Algebra and Trig
~After you take WHS PreCal
CANNOT count as your 4th year of required math

*****NEW FOR 2023***GEOL 1305**

~Environmental Science
~One Semester
~.5 science or elective credit

For more information, click [HERE](#)

Paper copies of forms available in South 2 Office

For more information, please contact Mrs. Matlock at smatlock@houstonisd.org.

Announcements

PROM Senior Meeting

On 3/9 during PackTime

If you plan to go to prom, you HAVE TO attend the meeting



MEDALISTS



NAOMI CARRASCO
All Star Actor Award

DIVYA MENON
Best Techie Award

FAITH OLABANJI
Honorable Mention
All Star Actor Award

AMELIA KNOWLES
Honorable Mention
All Star Actor Award



UIL OAP 2023
RADIUM GIRLS
MOONLIT THEATRE COMPANY

Announcements

Application Open! [Wonderworks](https://www.wonderworkshouston.org)' Summer 2023 Pre-College Enrichment Programs

- For academically promising and talented high school students
- The programs take place on the University of Houston and Rice University campuses.
 - 6 programs are offered, **June 20 - July 21, 2023:**
Architecture ~ Art History ~ Fiction/Creative Writing ~ Filmmaking ~ Music History/Appreciation ~ Politics/Law/Government

◇ Programs are academically challenging but enjoyable and taught by college and college-level teachers with college level content and modes of presentation.

◇ Admissions are competitive, based on PSAT/SAT/ACT scores and high school coursework/grades, supplemented, only if requested, by teacher/counselor assessments.

Wonderworks has always made sure that any student who is admitted and demonstrates financial need receives a scholarship in the form of a full-tuition waiver.

To learn more and/or complete the application form, visit www.wonderworkshouston.org.

ORDER YOUR SCHOOL HOODIES ONLINE AT

WWW.WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG

COLLECTION IN THE COMMONS ON THURSDAYS

Did you know you can support the PTO through the Kroger Community Rewards Program?

Log into your Kroger account

- Search Community Rewards
- Search Westside H.S Parent Teacher Organization
- Click 'Enroll'

Thank you for supporting the Westside H.S PTO!



HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

YOU KHAN DO IT!

MASTER THE SAT

WIN A LAPTOP FOR COLLEGE

AWARDED BY MAY 27, 2023

PRACTICE DAILY AT KhanAcademy.org/SAT

LOGIN THROUGH DISTRICT-SYNCD ACCOUNT VIA CLEVER

HISD College Readiness
HIGHER EXPECTATIONS. HIGHER EDUCATION.

HoustonISD.org/CollegeReadiness @HISD2College CollegeReadiness@HoustonISD.org 713-967-5231

WESTSIDE WOLVES

College Days

Every Wednesday

Wear your College Logo Shirts!

"My Favorite U COLLEGE"

Saturday Tutorials

March 25
April 1, 15, 22 & 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

Announcements

INERTIA DANCE COMPANY
AUDITIONS

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
IN GYM X100

MARCH 20TH 4:30-6:30PM
Learn Choreography (Boys and Girls)

MARCH 21ST 4:30-6:30PM
Review Day (Boys and Girls)

MARCH 22ND 4:30-6:30PM
Girls Audition

MARCH 23RD 4:30-6:30PM
Boys Audition

SCAN QR CODE FOR AUDITION PACKET

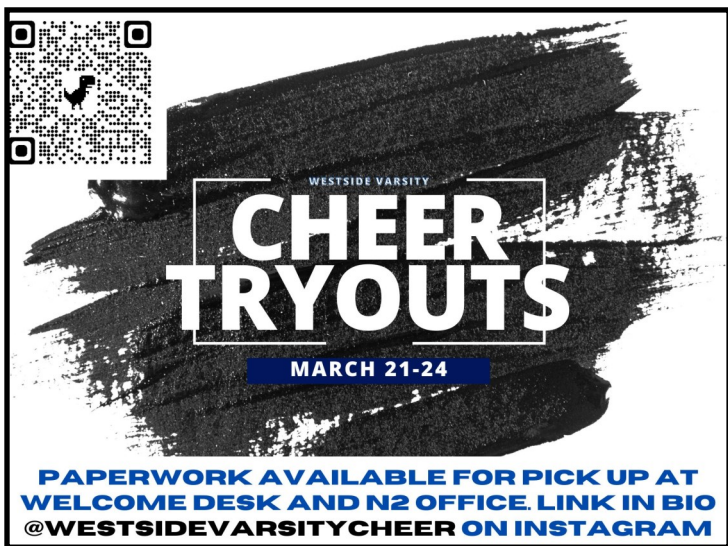


CHEER TRYOUTS

WESTSIDE VARSITY

MARCH 21-24

PAPERWORK AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT
WELCOME DESK AND N2 OFFICE. LINK IN BIO
@WESTSIDEVARSITYCHEER ON INSTAGRAM



AUDITIONS MARCH 28-30

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
Pride Dance Team

@WHSPRIDEDANCETEAM

AUDITION PACKET

WWW.WHSPRIDEDANCETEAM.COM



Announcements

Yearbook

Order your

Get CONNECTED!
CASH: in A216

Get CONNECTED!
ONLINE

Westside Chess Club

Chess Club Every Friday during lunch in N221. We play friendly games of chess, talk strategy, and will teach you how to play if you don't know how.

Meetings every first and fourth Thursday in E129

First meeting on January 26th

BLACK STUDENT UNION

All are welcome!

Remind code is @c64333

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

CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS

Starts this Friday!

ALL Wolves Welcome

Bring your lunch

Wednesdays during lunch in E213

Text @whschr to 81010 to join Remind!

FELLOWSHIP - LEARNING - DISCUSSING - ENCOURAGING

JOIN THE KPOP CLUB

22-23!

1ST AND THIRD FRIDAYS EVERY MONTH IN E124!

INSTA: @WESTSIDENKPOPCLUB
REMIN: @KPOPWOL

LET'S TOUCH the sky

EST. 2019

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

DEBATE

EVERYDAY AFTER SCHOOL

E231

3:30 to 4:30 pm

SENIOR Announcements



Click for live links: [senior countdown](#)

Class of 2023 - Senior Countdown

Spring Edition

Westside Seniors,

Welcome to the second half of your senior year! You are almost done. 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 spring semester one 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 now a ONE TIME PAYMENT of \$180. Access school pay [here](#).
☐ Students may not choose to deny individual items to make a smaller payment.
☐ The Senior Dues total is non-negotiable.

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 in cash? See Ms. Lookard
(located in the Library or School Store)

School Pay



ONE TIME PAYMENT!!

When you pay determines payment amount Pay by the following date	Qualified for Federal Free/Reduced Lunch*	All others
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

Senior shirts have arrived. [Go to the college center to pick up](#) (only if dues have been paid).

RANKINGS and DIPLOMAS

You have received an email in your HISD account from Ms. Phillips to verify your name on your Diploma. Verification is due by February 3. Also, final senior rankings will be emailed on 2/10/2023.

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 THBAD 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
January	• Pay dues/pick up senior shirts
February	• Senior Meeting • Order yearbook; Complete senior quotes and superlatives
April	• Prom! April 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm, Hyatt Regency, West Houston • Ticket sales will be 2 weeks prior • Prom contracts available late March/early April
May	• SENIOR HONORS NIGHT (May 18) Auditorium at 5:30 pm • SENIOR WEEK ACTIVITIES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 5/25-26 Senior Check-Out; ✓ 5/30 Panoramic Picture; Senior Walk ✓ 5/31 Graduation Rehearsal, Senior Picnic
June	• Graduation!!!! Saturday, June 3, 2023 at noon at NRG Stadium

PROM THEME VOTE

Scan the QR code to vote on your favorite prom theme:



STAY CONNECTED
 → Westside Instagram: [@whsssenior2023](#)
 → Make sure email address and cell phone number are correct in College Center



Westside High School's

Graduation Ceremony

Class
of
2023

June 3, 2023


12:00 Noon

at NRG Stadium

1 NRG Park, Houston, Texas 77054

Senior class of 2023

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM

 [@whsssenior2023](#)





Class
of 2023

Apply for College Scholarships

Go to NAVIANCE

[https://www.houstonisd.org/
Page/181035](https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/181035)

SENIOR Announcements



OFFICIAL GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS



LET FRIENDS AND FAMILY KNOW ABOUT YOUR BIG NEWS.

Your official graduation announcements are now ready to be ordered. Announcements are a great way to not only let people important to you know about the big day, but they can make wonderful keepsakes.

Make your official announcements even more special with accessories like thank you notes, seals, tissue inserts, certificates of appreciation, return address labels and HJ SmartShare™.

1 PACKAGE #1

- 10 Official Announcements
- 25 Thank You Notes
- 25 Envelope Seals
- 25 Tissue Inserts
- 60 Return Address Labels
- 10 HJ SmartShare™ Stickers

2 PACKAGE #2

- 20 Official Announcements
- 25 Thank You Notes
- 25 Envelope Seals
- 25 Tissue Inserts
- 60 Return Address Labels
- 25 HJ SmartShare™ Stickers
- 1 Announcement Cover

3 PACKAGE #3

- 50 Official Announcements
- 50 Thank You Notes
- 50 Envelope Seals
- 50 Tissue Inserts
- 60 Return Address Labels
- 50 HJ SmartShare™ Stickers
- 1 Announcement Cover



RECORD & UPLOAD: IT'S EASY!

HJ SMARTSHARE™ is a great way to send personalized video messages with your smart phone.



[ORDER HERE](#)

HISD COLLEGE READINESS PRESENTS

COLLEGE TALK:
FINANCIAL AID 101: MYTHBUSTERS

March 9th, Thursday
6PM -MS Teams

<https://bit.ly/CO24FA>



Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors! Join us to learn about financial aid and scholarships.

Yearbook

Order your

Get CONNECTED!
CASH: in A216

Senior C
Get CONNECTED!
ONLINE

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

Follow Us on Social Media

 **Facebook: Westside High School**

 **Instagram: gowestsidewolves**

 **Twitter: @westsidehigh**

Submit stories and photos for eNews:

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School Web Address:

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

HISD Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org>