




WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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“GEN TX” Week, Nov. 14-18

November 14, 2022



HISD | Counseling & Student Services
EMPOWERING STUDENTS. PROMOTING SUCCESS.

Gen TX Week

Home-School Connection

NOVEMBER 14-18, 2022

November is Generation Texas Month, a statewide movement to ensure students have information and resources regarding post-secondary options such as college, career, and military. Houston ISD schools will celebrate the week with activities such as college fairs, visits (virtual), and application drives. The focus is on high school students, but the awareness day fun is for everyone!

MONDAY
COLLEGE SPIRIT DAY

- Wear a college shirt or college colors.
- Connect: Discuss what path you chose after high school (college, military, career, etc...) and why.

TUESDAY
GO WILD FOR EDUCATION

- Wear camouflage or animal print attire.
- Connect: Discuss other opportunities other than four-year colleges. (Community college, trade school, certification programs, work, etc...)

WEDNESDAY
YOUR FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

- Wear bright/neon colors or sunglasses.
- Connect: Discuss your career and why you chose it.



THURSDAY
TEAM UP FOR COLLEGE

- Dress alike with your colleague(s) in a college team shirt.
- Connect: Talk to your students about their future goals, hopes and expectations for their future.

FRIDAY
HATS OFF TO COLLEGE

- Wear your favorite hat or cap.
- Connect: Discuss the pros and cons of attending college out of town.

Follow and tag us on Twitter and IG!
@HISD_ACC



Calendar

November 14-18
Generation Texas Week

November 21-25
Thanksgiving Break

November 28
10 AM
District VI Trustee
Baker's Community
Meeting, Library

6:30 PM
PTO General Meeting
in S100

December 6-9
STAAR Re-Testing

Dec. 22 – Jan. 6
Winter Break

[2022-](#)
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School Sports News

Wrestling Season is finally here! :

Westside Wrestling kicked off the season with some impressive performances from the boys AND girls teams. The #6 State ranked men got off to a great start with Dual Wins over Brazoswood 45-30 and Cy Creek 48-27. It was the upstart WOMENS team that surprised many with their great start!

3 Dual wins, starting with a big win over traditional powerhouse and former 3-time State Champions, Morton Ranch 41-18. The Women then continued their Success with 36-30 victories over both Cy Creek and Brazoswood Friday night.

Week 1 top performances

Men

106- (10) Santi Ramirez 3-0

113- (12) Juan Cantu 3-0

132- (11) Xavier Royere 3-0

144- (11) Kyle Lew 3-0

Women

120- (9)Aylin Pagan 3-0

138- (11) Maya Sebesta 3-0

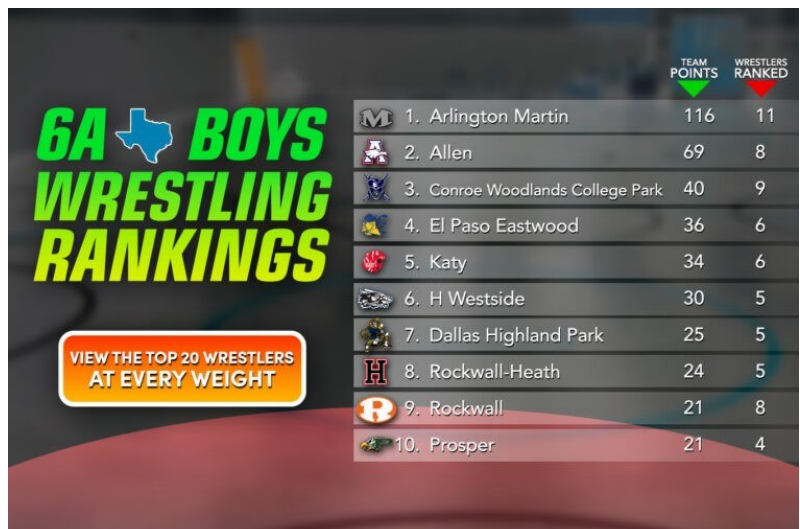
Westside will have 2 more home events this week.

Hosting Katy Jordan and Kingwood Thursday night. Hosting Humble and St. John's Friday night.

Duals will Start at 5pm.

Our team returns THREE All Americans, 2 State Placers, and 3 State Qualifiers.

Please come out an support, and we hope to put on a show for you!



6A TEXAS BOYS WRESTLING RANKINGS

VIEW THE TOP 20 WRESTLERS AT EVERY WEIGHT

	TEAM	POINTS	WRESTLERS RANKED
1.	Arlington Martin	116	11
2.	Allen	69	8
3.	Conroe Woodlands College Park	40	9
4.	El Paso Eastwood	36	6
5.	Katy	34	6
6.	H Westside	30	5
7.	Dallas Highland Park	25	5
8.	Rockwall-Heath	24	5
9.	Rockwall	21	8
10.	Prosper	21	4

School Sports News (Continued)

Westside Girls BB:

The Wolves won the Baytown tournament and went undefeated in tournament play. A perfect 5-0. Tournament Champions.

McDonald's Invitational this week Thursday-Saturday in Pasadena!

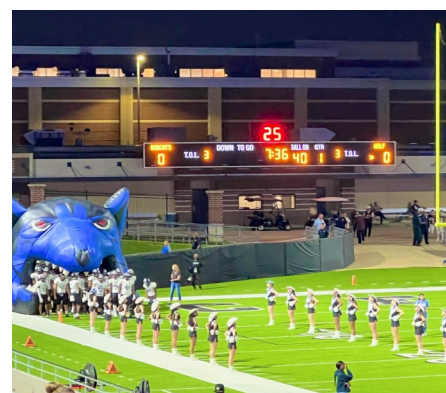
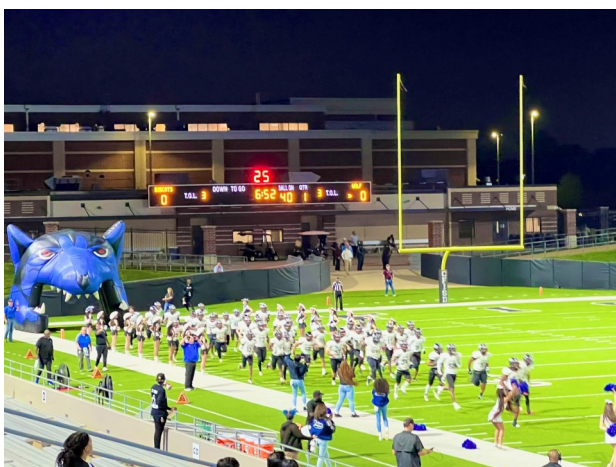
Westside Boys BB:

Westside Varsity Boys Basketball won their season opener against Mickey Leland on Friday, 11/11/22 in front of a great Westside crowd. Braelen Berard lead all scorers with 21 points; 3 steals, Jacob Murillo had 15 points and Jeremiah Chatman scored 11.

We go on the road to play St. John XXIII on Tuesday, 11/15/22.

Westside Football:

The Wolves season came to an end Thursday night vs Cy Fair HS. Your Wolves fought hard all season. The Wolves finished 3rd in district and have made the Texas UIL State Playoffs in football 15 out of the last 16 years , as well as 10 years in a row. Go Wolves!!



Author Talk at Westside

Ghetto Gastro is currently embarking on a book tour throughout the country, and Westside High School had the opportunity to host an Author Talk for our culinary students!

Ghetto Gastro is a collective that uses food as a tool to tell stories about where they come from and the cultures which inspire them, generating excitement by merging the cooking traditions of all cultures in a high-quality, healthy fashion.

Westside students had the opportunity to learn from the phenomenal chefs regarding inspiration, entrepreneurship, and culinary techniques.

Additionally, Westside High School was gifted an autographed copy of their brand-new cookbook!



ESL Department Recognized



EXCITING news coming from the ESL Department. Recently, Westside High School was awarded a certificate of achievement for placing 4th in the state for growth in language proficiency. This is no easy feat, as it takes an unwavering commitment to hard work from administrators, faculty, and staff in order to earn such accolades.

Congratulations to the Dean Gonzalez- ESL Department Administrator, Stevie Smith- ESL Curriculum Director, Onnyx Bei- Teacher, Nilsa Arias- ESL clerk, and the E2 house, as well as the English Department and core teachers who work with ESL students each year. This honor is only further proof of what we already know--that the work we do for our students and school is important.

Also, a HUGE CONGRATULATIONS are in order for our students! It is your desire to excel in the classroom that makes all the difference! We are all so proud of your accomplishments.

Announcements

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT: PTO GENERAL MEETING

WHEN: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

WHERE: WESTSIDE H.S. - ROOM S100

Save the date!

Join us the **MONDAY**
After Thanksgiving
break for our next
PTO General Meeting.

All parents are
welcome and
invited to attend!

Dear Parents,

We will be holding our next general PTO Meeting on
November 28th, the Monday after Thanksgiving break.

Westside is a great school because of its strong joint parent and teacher commitment to our students. One of the primary functions of the PTO is providing communication to parents about what's going on at school. We need your participation at our meetings so that we can provide that information to you, gather feedback and work together with the Westside staff to keep Westside High School a top performing school! Please join us at our next PTO meeting to find out more information!

We hope to see many of you there!

WESTSIDE ROBOTICS

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

Help support the FRC and VEX Robotics teams!

PRE-ORDER YOUR HOLIDAY
POINSETTIAS STARTING 11/14

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

DRIVE-THRU PICKUP AT WESTSIDE
WEEK OF 12-12/9
ONLY \$15 FOR A FULL PLANT

ORDER NOW:



On-Campus Covid Testing Available After Thanksgiving Break


Westside will be offering free on-campus COVID-19 testing to students/staff! Sign up at houstonisd.org/COVIDtesting

Westside High School proporciona a sus estudiantes pruebas de detección de COVID-19 en la escuela. Infórmese: houstonisd.org/COVIDtesting

Announcements

Saturday Tutorials

November 5 & 12 December 3, 10 & 17



Rotation 1 = 9:00 AM – 9:55 AM
 Rotation 2 = 10:00 AM – 10:55 AM
 Rotation 3 = 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Students should bring ID, laptop, and questions for the teacher.

No entry to tutorials area 30 minutes after the rotation begins.

Grad Lab Courses	Science North 1
All Courses in A203	Biology STAAR Biology On-Level/ESL/PAP IPC w/ESL Environment Systems Chemistry Physics AP Chemistry S226 AP Physics
English North 1	Social Studies North 1
English ESL All-Levels English 1-4 AP English Language AP English Literature	World Geography World History US History US Government Economics
Math North 1	
Algebra 1 On-Level/ESL/PAP Geometry On-Level/PAP Algebraic Reasoning N236 Algebra 2 On-Level/PAP Pre-Cal On-Level/PAP	

#WolvesThrive





DID YOU RECEIVE AN "NG" FOR A CLASS
 AND HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE
 ATTENDANCE APPEAL PROCESS?

ATTENDANCE APPEAL
 EVERY 2ND SATURDAY OF
 THE MONTH

IF YOU HAVE ANY CLASSES WITH AN "NG" FROM 2021-2022
 and you need to complete Community Service hours, you can complete
 them by attending "Second Saturdays" each month.

Fall Semester 2022
 September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10

YOU MUST BRING YOUR LAPTOP



ATTENDANCE
 APPEAL

FALL 2022

ATTENDANCE APPEAL
 DATES
 Every 2nd Saturday of the
 month
 STUDENTS MUST BRING
 LAPTOPS TO ENTER

WESTSIDE HIGH
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 contact
 Cheryl Williams
cheryl@houstonisd.org
 Or (713) 556-5248

Weekday
 Tutorials
 Click [HERE](#)
 for Schedules



SENIOR Announcements

LAST & FINAL Senior Portrait Opportunity for Class of 2023

Friday, November 14 - Legacy Studios will be on campus for the entire day to take Yearbook portraits. This is the last time they will be on campus.

Tuesday, November 22 - The Legacy Studio will be open for WESTSIDE SENIORS only! Seniors can book a variety of packages, which will include the formal yearbook portrait.

To schedule your appointment for either of these options: www.seniors.legacystudios.com

Heads Up announcement:

Yearbook Senior Quotes and Senior Superlative selections will begin in January

March 24 - Legacy Studios will be on campus for Cap & Gown Portraits



Senior Portraits

Last Call

YEARBOOK

Portraits for our
2023 Seniors

The last chance!!!

Legacy Studios will be on campus **Friday, 11.14** for yearbook portraits. Then on **Tuesday, 11.22** they will be open all day for Westside Seniors only.

Legacy will be on campus
March 24, 2023
for Class of 23 Cap & Gown portraits.

Questions:

S. Roberts

281.920.8000
x 036203

Email:
srobert2@houstonisd.org



Studio Day

November 22nd

Legacy has set aside the entire day for Westside Seniors only! You can book a variety of sittings, which will include your Yearbook portrait.

To book your appointment sitting visit:

Seniors.legacystudios.com

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.

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)

School Pay

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

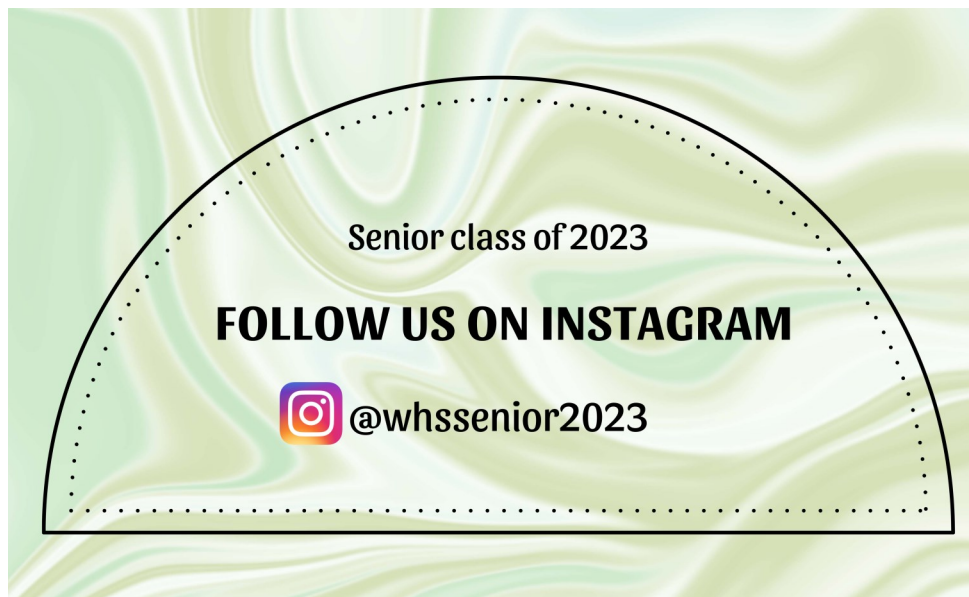
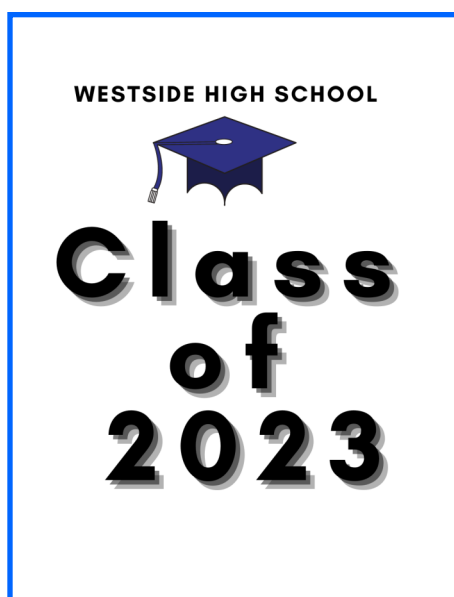
If your home address changes, notify the Attendance Office ASAP

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: @whsssenior2023
- Make sure email address and cell phone number are correct in College Center



Announcements

Month: November 2022

College Visits

DATE	DAY	COLLEGE	TIME
11/3/2022	Thursday	University of North Texas	12:15 pm
11/29/2022	Tuesday	Texas Lutheran University	9:45 am
11/30/2022	Wednesday	Trinity Washington University (VIRTUAL)	11:30 am

Come visit with the Admissions Representative
Sign up and receive a pass in the Westside College Center (A205)



2023 SCHOLARSHIP

Describe how your community uniquely contributes to the broader Asian American and Pacific Islander experience.

Your response to this question can be an essay or another form of media (photography, film, etc).

Apply by March 1, 2023 at www.foundation649.com

Questions? Please contact us at team@foundation649.com



Foundation 649




**It's a Great Day
to be a Wolf!**

Announcements

**UNDERCLASS
& STAFF**

*No appointment
required.*

**Yearbook photos
Make Up Day!
November 18
IN THE LIBRARY**



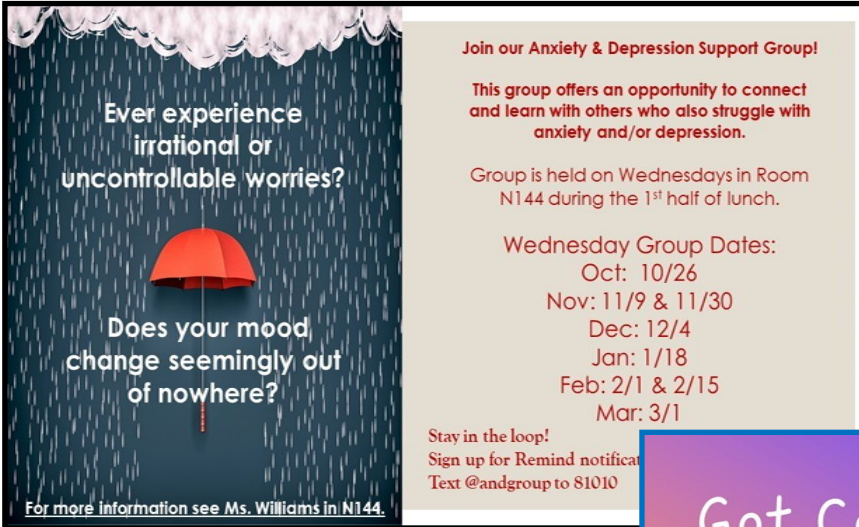
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Get **CONNECTED**
BUY YOUR
2023
YEARBOOK
TODAY!



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Announcements



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.



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

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

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TO: 81010
 @opengroup
 Send

For more information see Ms. Williams in N144.



NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL RUNAWAY PREVENTION MONTH

Did you know?

There are approximately 4.2 million youth ages 13 to 25 experiencing homelessness every year. The Runaway Safeline was created in 1971, to help keep runaway, homeless and at-risk youth safe and off the streets.

To learn more check out:

The Runaway Safeline




Don't give into negative thinking..

When negative thoughts creep in, CHALLENGE IT!

What would I tell a friend in this situation?

What emotions are coming up right now for me?

Is this 100% true?

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.

Announcements

Tryouts for Boys Soccer 2022-2023

Monday, Nov 28, 2022 @ 4 pm at the soccer field.



Requirements:

1. Bring a Copy of your medical Insurance **OR** if the player does not have insurance, he must pay \$35 for school insurance (bring the receipt the day of tryouts with you). Go to the following link to make the payment.
<https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/-SoccerBoysAthletic-Insurance202223/Sd7rE77>
2. The student-player must print the physical form and go to the doctor for a check-up. The player must be cleared by the doctor to be able to participate the day of the tryouts. Go to the following link to print the physical form (No other form is accepted).
<https://www.uilTEXAS.org/files/athletics/PrePhysFormRvsd2.21.pdf>
3. The student athlete must take the physical form to the doctor, and then bring it with him on the day of the tryouts.
4. Wear white or black (jersey, shorts, and soccer socks), shin guards and cleats the day of the tryouts.

Student-athletes must be on time for tryouts to be able to participate

Sincerely

Guillermo Ospina

DEBATE

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

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

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 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

Urban Agriculture Club

Wednesdays during lunch in V101

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

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

New Day!!

Wednesdays during lunch in E213

Text @whschr to 81010 to join Remind!

Starts this Friday!

ALL Wolves Welcome Bring your lunch

FELLOWSHIP - LEARNING - DISCUSSING - ENCOURAGING



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>

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<https://www.houstonisd.org>