



# WOLF E-NEWS

*from Westside High School*

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December 11, 2023

## Final Exams Next Week!

Westside High School Fall 2023 Final Exam Schedule							
Monday, Dec 18, 2023		Tuesday, Dec 19, 2023		Wednesday, Dec 20, 2023		Thursday, Dec 21, 2023	
2nd	7:45 - 8:35	6th Period	7:45 - 8:50	7th Period	7:45 - 8:50	Pack	7:45 - 8:50
3rd	8:40 - 9:20	2nd Exam	8:55 - 11:35	4th Exam	8:55 - 11:35	6th Exam	8:55 - 11:35
4th	9:25 - 10:05						
5th	10:10 - 10:50	Lunch	11:40 - 12:40	Lunch	11:40 - 12:40	Lunch	11:40 - 12:40
6th	10:55 - 11:35	3rd Exam	12:45 - 3:25	5th Exam	12:45 - 3:25	7th Exam	12:45 - 3:25
Lunch	11:40 - 12:40						
1st EXAM	12:45 - 3:25						

**Final Exams**

Final exams will not be administered early without permission from the principal. Students who may need to take a make-up exam in January must schedule a meeting with AP Davis.

## WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL SATURDAY TUTORIALS

December 16

9 AM—12 Noon

Finish the Semester Strong, Wolves!

### Calendar

**December 16**  
Saturday Tutorials,  
9 AM—12 Noon

**December 18-21**  
Final Exams

**Dec. 22-Jan. 5**  
Winter Break for  
Students

[2023-2024](#)  
[HISD](#)  
[Calendar](#)

## School News

### Pride Dance Team:

The Pride Dance Team Officers competed at their first competition December 2<sup>nd</sup> taking the Grand Champion Classic Officer title. They swept all categories winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in Officer Jazz, Officer Open, and Officer Contemporary. They also took home awards for outstanding choreography, technique, and performance quality. Great job officers!



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL  
**SATURDAY  
TUTORIALS**

December 16  
9 AM—12 Noon

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



# VAPE = DAEP

**TEXAS HOUSE BILL 114**

Any student caught violating the new law relating to e-cigarettes will be subject to immediate DAEP placement, as mandated by the state law.

Click to learn more about HB114 related to vaping: <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/199791>

## Announcements



# WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

## 23/24 Cell Phone Policy

**From 7:45 AM to 3:25 PM, students are required to stow away their cell phones, earbuds and headphones.**

- Students may use their devices during the lunch period only.
- This rule applies throughout the entire school premises.

### 1st Offense

**A warning will be issued to the student, emphasizing the importance of adhering to the policy.**

### 2nd Offense

**The student must surrender the device to the teacher.**

- The device will then be submitted to the House Secretary and will be returned at the end of the day.
- For incidents in the hallways, students will be directed to take their devices to the House Secretary for safekeeping until the end of the day.

**Note: Refusal to surrender the device will result in further disciplinary actions.**

### 3rd Offense

**Parents are required to meet with the dean to discuss repeated violations, and to pick up phone.**

The meeting allows for a collaborative effort between parents and school staff to address any underlying issues.

- In cases of repeated violations beyond the second incident, the device may be barred from the campus for the remainder of the school year or until the dean deems it appropriate. This measure is taken to ensure a sustained focus on academic engagement.
- We believe that by implementing these measures, we can create an environment that minimizes distractions, promotes active participation in class, and fosters a more focused learning atmosphere.
- This policy is non-negotiable.

## Senior and Underclassmen Portraits

Pictures and Portraits, with Cady Photography

# Senior Portraits

*Important dates ahead*

281-631-5599

[www.home.cady.com](http://www.home.cady.com)

### Westside 2024 Seniors

Time is running out to submit your Senior Portrait for the 2024 Yearbook.

Book your appointment at the

**Cady Studio today!**

(suggested, use a computer!)

**CADY**

**\*\*Yearbook only pose: \$10\*\***

Questions: Contact Ms. Roberts  
srobert2@houstonisd.org

Senior Portraits

Cady Photography 11340 Richmond Ave. Houston, Tx 77082

[www.home.cady.com](http://www.home.cady.com)

Seniors, Class of 2024

Time is running out to take your Senior Portrait for the 2024 Westside yearbook. Cady Photography is open and ready to book your appointments. You have 2 options:

**Book at the Studio:**

Enjoy a full professional studio experience, complete with hair and make up teams, personal photographers, **THE WORKS!** Or you can book just your Yearbook portrait. Your choice. Cady will be open for bookings during the Winter Break.

**Senior Roadshow on campus:**

Cady will bring a team to Westside for a "Roadshow" day. They will set up in the Auditorium, 9:00 - 4:00 on January 5, 2024. They will set up a variety of backgrounds and options for your portrait sitting.

Book your appointment in advance. This day is **LIMITED** to 100 seniors. Plan ahead, and set your appointment ASAP. Don't plan to walk in, space is limited.

Our deadline for all SENIOR PORTRAITS is January 13, 2024.

If you've already taken your portrait, make sure to select the portrait you want to appear in the yearbook.

If you are taking your portrait in January, you will need to select your option during your portrait photo session.

If you have any questions contact Ms. Roberts, Room A216  
srobert2@houstonisd.org

Seniors, drop by A216 any time, Ms. Roberts will help you navigate [www.home.cady.com](http://www.home.cady.com)

### Westside2024Seniors

Cady Photography has scheduled a

*Roadshow* day on campus

**January 5, 2024**

**\*\*Limited to 100 seniors\*\***

Book your appointment today!

[www.home.cady.com](http://www.home.cady.com)

**CADY**

Senior Portraits  
*Roadshow*

# Underclass Picture Days

**All 9th, 10th, & 11th grades**

Cady Photography will be photographing all underclass students and all Westside staff

**December 13 - 14**

*Students will come to cameras with their English class.*

*This event is re-scheduled from Nov. 29 - 30. Students have their brochures to order prints*



## Announcements



Dec 1st- 15th

**2023**

**TOYS FOR TOTS**

**Deliver Packaged toys to  
your House secretaries**

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## Announcements

**WIZARDS**  
**TICKETS & SWAG**  
MAKE GREAT HOLIDAY GIFTS!



**TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE @ [WWW.HARLEMWIZARDS.COM](http://WWW.HARLEMWIZARDS.COM)**

**vs. HISD West**

**Venue:** Westside High School Gym  
14201 Briar Forest Drive

**Hosted By:** West Briar Middle PTO & Westside High School PTO

**Date:** Thursday, February 22, 2024

**Game Time:** 7:00 p.m. **Doors Open:** 6:00 p.m.

Advance Tickets:		Tickets At The Door:		Reserved:	Courtside Plus:
Students	General Admission	Students	General Admission		
\$ 15.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 65.00

**Tickets on Sale at:**  
[Click here to purchase tickets](#)

**Other Info:** Neighboring schools share a portion of the proceeds

**SNAG OFFICIAL WIZARDS GEAR!**  
**ORDER NOW @ [store.HarlemWizards.com](http://store.HarlemWizards.com)**

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**ORDER A  
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**LIKE, RIGHT NOW**

USE OUR ORDER NUMBER WHEN YOU LOG ON:

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Westside High School



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HERFF JONES / BY YOUR SIDE.

**Calling all ALUMNI**  
**Once a Wolf...Always a Wolf!**  
**Come back to the**  
**Pack on 1/5/24**

**SAVE *the* DATE**

*Alumni Breakfast*  
WHS COMMONS 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.  
01.05.2024





## Get Involved!

*Calling all athletes!!*

### FCA December Huddle

When: 7:00am Tuesday, December 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2023  
Where: Track  
Who: All is welcome  
"Confidence through Christ"



**FELLOWSHIP OF  
CHRISTIAN  
ATHLETES**

*The heart and soul in sports®*



Learn more at: <https://www.fca.org/get-involved>

## Gamer's Club

Hosted in:  
**E124**

We have  
**Board Games  
&  
Videogames**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
During Lunch

More Info:  
[jason.rodriguez@houstonisd.org](mailto:jason.rodriguez@houstonisd.org)

Join Us

## CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS

Wednesday's and Friday's During Lunch, Room E213

Join us for Fellowship, Teachings and Bible Study!

For more information please join our:  
Remind: TEXT @whscoc23 to 81010  
Insta: @whs.christians.on.campus

CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

## WESTSIDE DEBATE'S MOVIE NIGHT

Featured movie : SHREK

AFTERSCHOOL IN THE LIBRARY  
ON DECEMBER 12TH

A club supporting feminism and discussing our love of pink!

**BIWEEKLY**

OCTOBER 4 & 18    NOVEMBER 1, 18 & 29  
DECEMBER 13

**PINK CLUB** N130

the future is pink!

more information at @whspinkclub on instagram!

## WESTSIDE FRC ROBOTICS CLUB

Remind: @frc2587w

- Design, build, and program robots!
- Gain valuable STEM skills!
- The hardest fun you'll ever have!!

MEETINGS EVERY THURSDAY FROM 3:30 TO 5:00 IN ROOM Y101

Join the Remind

## Get Involved!

# List of Clubs & Orgs

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

## Westside Coding Club

Meetings Every Tuesday in Room N225 During Lunch!!

- No experience needed
- Learn and collaborate with peers
- Practice coding skills
- Compete at UIL and HPE Codewars


Scan the QR Code to join the Remind, or type the link below

[tinyurl.com/whs-code](https://tinyurl.com/whs-code)

Go Wolves!

## PTO Announcements

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



**Class for 2024**

# PTO SCHOLARSHIP

**Calling all Seniors!!**  
**Join the WHS PTO, by December 31**  
**in order to be eligible for a**  
**PTO SCHOLARSHIP!!!!**  
**DON'T WAIT!**



WHS PTO Website



Scan using your camera

# 2023-2024

**The PTO Welcomes All New and Returning Westside Families!**

WHS PTO Website



Scan using your camera

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WESTSIDE PTO!**

We need your support!

**WAYS YOU CAN HELP:**

- ☒ JOIN THE PTO!
- ☒ VOLUNTEER!
- ☒ DONATE!
- ☒ SHOP OUR STORE!
- ☒ ATTEND MEETINGS!

**Join and become a PTO member today!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
 SEE THE PTO FLYER IN YOUR STUDENT'S FIRST DAY PACKET

WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG

**\$100 PER PAWPRINT FOR A FULL YEAR**



**\$20 OF THE LOGOS GOES TOWARDS THE ORGANIZATION CHOSEN**



# Pawprints

**Make Your Mark at Westside**

**MONEY GOES TOWARDS THE SENIOR CLASS FUND FOR YOUR STUDENT'S GRADUATING YEAR.**

SCAN ME



**THE COST FOR EACH LOGO IS \$25, WITH A MAXIMUM OF 2 LOGOS PER TRANSACTION.**



[www.westsidehighpto.org](http://www.westsidehighpto.org)

# WESTSIDE SCHOOL STORE

A SERVICE PROVIDED BY PTO



**HOURS:**  
**TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS**  
**DURING LUNCH**  
**&**  
**3:30 - 4:00 PM**

**QUESTIONS: WHSPTOSTORE@GMAIL.COM**

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



## College Center Announcements

### Financial aid:

FAFSA - While [FAFSA](#) traditionally becomes available every October, due to major changes to the application and website, the 2024-2025 FAFSA application will not be made available until December 2023. An official release date has not been confirmed but colleges across the U.S. are aware of this change. However, the College Center is recommending students to still submit by the original priority deadline of January 15<sup>th</sup> to be safe. A major change to keep out for is that what was previously known as the "Student Aid Report" will now be shown as "FAFSA Submission Summary."

TASFA – The biggest update to share about [TASFA](#) this year is that it will now available online! Each student and one parent/guardian will create an account and complete the application online and will have the ability to send their completed online TASFA applications to up to 10 schools.

### Scholarships:

HISD has provides students with a list of "Hot Scholarships" that are available to them throughout their senior year. The Hot Scholarship list for October-December is accessible through each student Schoolinks account and be found the by following these steps: *Digital Resources > Schoolinks > Finances > Scholarship Matching*

### Testing:

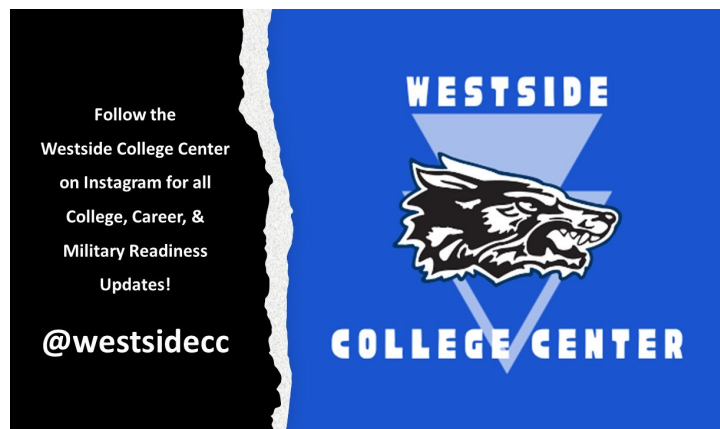
**SAT for Seniors** - There are still several opportunities for seniors to take the SAT and/or ACT this school year! While many schools remain test optional, meaning SAT test scores are not required to be sent as part of the admissions process, a school may still ask for a student's test scores to determine that they are "college ready." To meet this criterion, a student must have scored the following: Evidence-based Reading & Writing: 480 and Math: 530

**SAT for Juniors** - A major change to the SAT is that starting in March 2024, **all** SAT exams given will be **digital**. Click [here](#) to find upcoming test dates for the 2023-2024 academic year. Juniors will take the School Day SAT in March 2024, and are recommended not to test before then as they will not have covered some material yet.

ACT – Click [here](#) to find upcoming test dates for the 2023-2024 academic year.

### College and Career Planning:


- College Center Advisors are currently presenting in all Senior English 4 classes to discuss all things related to the college application process and Schoolinks account setup/utilization.
- Open lab in in the college center is as follows:
  - ◆ During lunch
  - ◆ Off campus (7<sup>th</sup> period)
  - ◆ After school (on occasions if we're in a classroom presentation throughout the day)
  - ◆ On very few occasions, the college center will be closed due to presentations or trainings.



# 23/24 Bell Schedule

Mon/Tues/Fri		Wednesday & Thursday	
1st Period	7:45 - 8:38	1st Period	7:45 - 8:45
2nd Period	8:43 - 9:38	3rd/2nd Period	8:51 - 10:24
3rd Period	9:43 - 10:36	Pack Time	10:30 - 11:00
4th Period	10:41 - 11:34	LUNCH	11:06 - 12:06
LUNCH	11:38 - 12:31	5th/4th Period	12:13 - 1:46
5th Period	12:36 - 1:29	7th/6th Period	1:52 - 3:25
6th Period	1:34 - 2:27		
7th Period	2:32 - 3:25		

**ENERGIZE!**



## Follow Us on Social Media



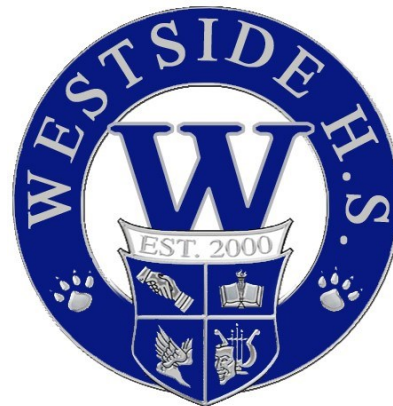
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School Pay:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/>

School Web Address:

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

HISD Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org>