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from Westside High School

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December 18, 2023

Schedule for This Week

Final Exams Schedule Fall 2023

Monday, Dec 18, 2023	Tuesday, Dec 19, 2023	Wednesday, Dec 20, 2023	Thursday, Dec 21, 2023
2nd 7:45 - 8:35	6 th Period 7:45 - 8:50	7 th Period 7:45 - 8:50	Pack 7:45 - 8:50
3rd 8:40 - 9:20	2 nd Period 8:55 - 11:35	4 th Period 8:55 - 11:35	6 th Period 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	3 rd Period 12:45 - 3:25	5 th Period 12:45 - 3:25	7 th Period 12:45 - 3:25
Lunch 11:40 - 12:40			
1 st Period 12:45 - 3:25			

SCAN HERE →



TO SCHEDULE A JANUARY MAKE-UP
<https://forms.office.com/r/wJzAsd7FHC>

**Calling all
ALUMNI!**
**Come back
to the Pack
on 1/5/24**



Calendar

December 18-21
Final Exams

Dec. 22-Jan. 5
Winter Break for
Students

January 8
Back to School

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

Announcements

STUCO PRESENTS

SPIRIT WEEK

DECEMBER 18-21ST

Christmas Edition

Monday (Holiday Socks)
Wear your festive socks!

Tuesday (Santa vs. Grinch)
Wear all red or all green!

Wednesday (White Lies)
Show up with a white, plain T-shirt with a little white lie written on it!

Thursday (Ugly Sweater Day)
Wear an Ugly Sweater to School!

Pictures and Portraits, with Cady Photography

Senior Portraits

Important dates ahead

281-631-5599

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

Senior Portraits

Cady Photography 11340 Richmond Ave. Houston, Tx 77082

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

CADY

Senior Portraits Roadshow

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



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.

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>



Happy Winter Break!

Dec. 22-Jan. 5

Announcements



**WESTSIDE'S
SHOWCASE**
OPEN HOUSE EVENING EVENT

For ALL 8th and 9th grade students - zoned and magnet - and families!

Thursday, January 18, 2024
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Meet the Principal
Check out our
Academics
Magnet Programs
Athletics
Fine Arts
Clubs
Enjoy Student Performances

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



**YOUTH
LACROSSE
CAMP**

Come learn about the game of lacrosse!

Already a player?
Get in some reps with the Westside Wolves to sharpen your skills!

**West Briar MS
Dec 27& 28
10am - 12pm**

All K - 8th grade students welcome
Equipment provided

\$50

Are you a 9th-12th grade boy looking to try out lacrosse?
Come for free!

Registration Link
<https://shorturl.at/pvSY5>

More Information
westhoustonlax@gmail.com

IMPORTANT SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENT!

If you have a college application due between
now and January 10, 2024-
Please come to the College Center (A205) and fill out a
Transcript Request Form!
Must be turned in by December 20, 2023 at 12:00pm.

Announcements

WIZARDS
TICKETS & SWAG
MAKE GREAT HOLIDAY GIFTS!



TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE @ 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: Students General Admission \$ 15.00 \$ 18.00	Tickets At The Door: Students General Admission \$ 18.00 \$ 20.00	Reserved: \$ 45.00	Courtside Plus: \$ 65.00
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Tickets on Sale at:
[Click here to purchase tickets](#)

Other Info: Neighboring schools share a portion of the proceeds

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ORDER NOW @ store.HarlemWizards.com

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Make Great Holiday Gifts!

SERIOUSLY, DON'T MISS OUT!

ORDER A YEARBOOK

YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW
LIKE, RIGHT NOW

USE OUR ORDER NUMBER WHEN YOU LOG ON:
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Westside High School

YEARBOOKORDERCENTER.COM

HERFF JONES / BY YOUR SIDE.

Happy Winter Break!

Dec. 22-Jan. 5



Get Involved!

Calling all athletes!!

FCA December Huddle

When: 7:00am Tuesday, December 19TH, 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

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 V111

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

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



NAME
SPORT/ACTIVITY

\$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.

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



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 15th 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:

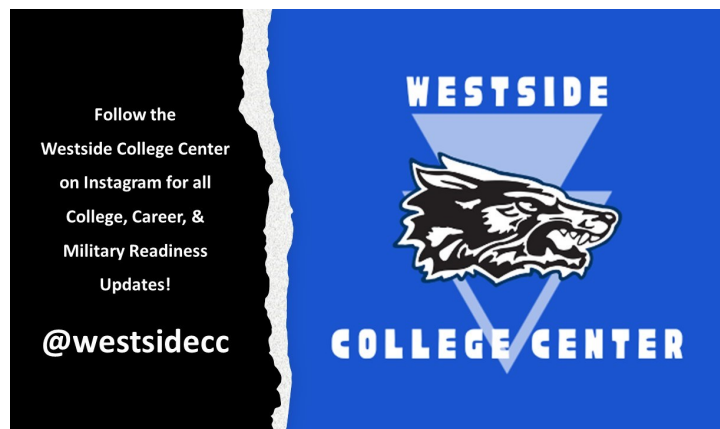
SAT for Seniors - There are still several opportunities for seniors to take the SAT and/or ACT this school year! While many schools remain test optional, meaning SAT test scores are not required to be sent as part of the admissions process, a school may still ask for a student's test scores to determine 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 (7th 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!



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