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from Westside High School

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Info for you!

April 21, 2025

Upcoming Testing Dates:

(See Altered Bell Schedule on p. 2
for STAAR / Week of 4/21/25)

April 23: STAAR Biology

April 29: STAAR Algebra

May 5-16: AP Exams

Calendar

April 26

Saturday Tutorials,
9 AM-12 Noon

May 2

Staff Professional Development Day, No School

May 26

Memorial Day Holiday, No School

April PTO meeting:

Dear Parents and Teachers,
Thank you to all those that came to our general PTO meeting help us vote in the next year's board. Your engagement and support are vital to our community's success.

Welcome your 2025-2026 PTO Board:

PRESIDENT - MEYCY ZAPATA
VICE PRESIDENT - BRANDIE HORTON
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VIPS COORDINATOR - ANEE MENDOZA
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STAAR Information & Bell Schedule Week of 4/21/25

Biology STAAR takes place on **April 23**

Testing begins at 7:45 AM

Location: Students will receive a paper notification which indicates their test room; a digital room look-up is also located in the school's Canvas site.

To help your child do their best, please make sure they:

- Get a good night's sleep before testing
- Eat a healthy breakfast
- Arrive to school **on time (by 7:30)**

Bring their **fully charged Chromebook** and **photo ID (School or state-issued)**

Please note: Cell phones, smartwatches, and other electronic devices **are not allowed** during testing; students must turn them in to the test administrator. If you have any questions, please contact your student's

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HCC Dual Credit Program

The Westside Houston Community College Dual Credit program is now accepting paperwork for the 2025-2026 school year. **For more information, click [HERE](#) . Paper copies available in the Library. Deadline 5/9/25.**

Courses offered:

ENGL 1301/1302

English 4
12th grade

HIST 1301/1302

U.S. History
11th grade

GEOL 1301 (Earth Science) & GEOL 1345 (Intro to Oceanography)

11th or 12th grade
Science or elective credit

ECON 2301

12th grade
One semester economics credit

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

School News



Save the Date!!

CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATION
SATURDAY, JUNE 7 @ 6:00 PM
NRG STADIUM

NO TICKETS REQUIRED
NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF GUESTS



Saturday Tutorials

April 26
May 3, 10, 17 & 31

9 AM-12 Noon

- Enter via main doors from horseshoe driveway on Briar Forest
- Wear school-appropriate attire
- Bring IDs, assignments & charged laptops



Incoming Student Course Selection

For incoming zoned and transfer students and families who have NOT completed Westside course selection at their middle school

May 3, 2025
9:00 - 11:00 am

Meet with Deans to choose your courses for the 2025-6 school year.

Can't make it?
You may also book a one-on-one appointment. Scan the QR code to book your virtual appointment

Questions? Contact Stephanie Matlock at smatlock@houstonisd.org
Westside High School 14201 Briar Forest Drive



School News & Announcements



Congratulations to Westside Senior, Hannah Cole, recipient of a **Reliant Scholarship for Champions**. Sponsored by Reliant and the Houston Texans, Hannah is one of six Houston-area students receiving a \$10,000 award toward college for exhibiting remarkable leadership in the classroom, on the field, and in the community. Proud of our Wolf!

THE HISD GIFTED & TALENTED DEPARTMENT PRESENTS OUR ANNUAL

DISTRICT G/T EXPO

GIFTED & THRIVING:
BUILDING COMMUNITIES OF EXCELLENCE

MAY 8

HISD Delmar Fieldhouse
2020 Mangum Road
Houston, TX 77092
6 PM-8 PM

Join us for the exciting annual G/T Expo hosted by HISD's Gifted and Talented Department! This dynamic event will showcase the exceptional projects created by G/T students throughout the school year.

Over 130+ Schools represented

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS AND FAMILIES
FREE ADMISSION
PARKING AVAILABLE

For more information please contact the G/T Dept at: **713-556-6954** GiftedAndTalented@houstonisd.org

EL DEPARTAMENTO DE SUPERDOTADOS Y TALENTOSOS DE HISD PRESENTA SU INFORME ANUAL

EXPO DEL DISTRITO G/T

DOTADOS Y PRÓSPEROS:
CONSTRUYENDO COMUNIDADES DE EXCELENCIA

PUUEDE 8

Estadio Delmar de HISD
2020 Mangum Road,
Houston, TX 77092
6 p. m. a 8 p. m.

¡Únase a nosotros en la emocionante Expo de anual para Estudiantes Dotados y Talentosos (G/T) organizada por el Departamento de Estudiantes Dotados y Talentosos de HISD! Este dinámico evento presentará los proyectos excepcionales creados por estudiantes G/T a lo largo del año escolar.

Encima 130+ Escuelas representado

ABIERTO A TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES Y FAMILIAS
ENTRADA GRATIS
ESTACIONAMIENTO DISPONIBLE

Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Departamento G/T en: **713-556-6954** GiftedAndTalented@houstonisd.org

Announcements

Parent Testimonials Needed



Westside Parent

FACE (Family and Community Engagement) wants your feedback.

Share a testimonial of something great happening at Westside that your family has experienced.
(Ex: Love all the club options for my kiddo)

Email your testimonial to whsptovolunteers@gmail.com
Subject: Westside Family Parent Testimonial



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL PTO
PRESENTS


Spring
FRIDAYS AT

Chick-fil-A

APRIL
FRIDAY | **25** | AT 5:00PM - 8:00PM
2025

13412 Briar Forest Dr.
Make sure to mention Westside PTO

WESTSIDE



WOLVES



ESTD 2000

**Calling all Parents!!
Join the Westside PTO**

We are looking to fill several positions that will help with our Homecoming Dance, Teacher Appreciation events, Fundraising, and much more! This is a great opportunity to be involved in the school and get to know the Westside staff.

Join the Team!

Please complete this form for next year's opportunities.



Scan Me!

Contact:
Meycy Zapata
whsptoxpmembership@gmail.com
for any questions.

School Announcements



JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER

Join us at the Raising Cane's at
1105 N. Dairy Ashford Rd Houston, Tx 77079
on **Friday April 25th, 2025**
from **4:00PM - 9:00PM**
and mention the fundraiser at the register, and
Cane's will **donate 15% of the Net Sales*** to:

Westside High School Cheer



Raising Funds with Raising Cane's

Learn more about how we can support you at Cane'sAndCommunity.com

Minimum donation amount will be 15% of net sales* from your purchase donated directly to the participating organization. Not valid on mobile app, online or kiosk orders. *Net Sales* means the selling price of regularly inventoried merchandise, food, and beverages sold during the event for the purpose of supporting your organization, excluding special or limited time offers, discounts, returns, and taxes.

[f](https://www.facebook.com/RaisingCane's) [i](https://www.instagram.com/RaisingCane's) [t](https://www.tiktok.com/@RaisingCane's) [y](https://www.youtube.com/RaisingCane's) RaisingCane's



DEBATE TOURNAMENT



Judges needed!



SCAN THE QR

Open to all students!
Volunteers must attend a training session to be able to judge
Four shifts available

BENEFITS

Volunteer hours available!
Food provided!

APRIL 26TH

7:30-9:30

INFORMATION

For more information, contact Ms. Barbosa in the library



Code2College

Earn up to \$6,000 Next Summer & Learn to Code for FREE!

You: Commit 4.5 hours/week to summer coding classes and 2 hours/month for professional development

Code2College: Provide targeted support, development and (if you're successful) placement into a paid, Summer internship in Tech

Code2College offers a 15-month after-school enrichment program focused on preparing you for a future in STEM.

When

- Tuesday, June 3, 2025 - Thursday, July 17, 2025
- No classes the week of June 30th for the 4th of July holiday
- Classes are 1.5 hours/day and meet T/W/Th

Where

- In-Person Classes (depending on location) or Virtual

Benefits

- Develop industry relevant experience
- Build your professional network
- Gain technical experience before college

APPLY NOW!
Early Decision Application Deadline: Monday, December 9th, at 9am CST
Regular Decision Application Deadline: Monday, April 21st, at 9am CST



500+ HIGH SCHOOL INTERNS PLACED AT PAID, TECHNICAL SUMMER INTERNSHIPS


1,000+ CODE2COLLEGE ALUMNI ATTENDING 4-YEAR STEM UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS NATIONWIDE

20+ CODE2COLLEGE HS PROGRAM ALUMNI WHO ARE NOW FULL-TIME SOFTWARE ENGINEERS (POST-COLLEGE)

Questions?
info@Code2College.org

Westside High School Home of the Wolves!

Get Involved!



THE ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY club

Are you passionate about photography, or eager to learn the art of photography?

Enhance your skills, and connect with fellow students who share the same passion!!

TIME 11:35AM DATE OCTOBER 15, 2024 REDDICS L110

GO WOLVES!!!

Gamer's Club

Hosted In: E130

We have board games and Videogames

WEDNESDAYS DURING LUNCH



DRONE Club

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30 ROOM V111

What we offer

- ▶ Piloting Skills
- ▶ Coding Skills
- ▶ Team Work

Join Remind @dronewest

Join Westside's Official VEX ROBOTICS Club!

Interested in...

- Teamwork?
- Designing?
- Fun competitions?
- Coding?
- Building?
- ...and more?

Meet us on Wednesdays @ 3:25 pm in room V111

Remind Code: @whsvex24

Want to write better? Want to share your stories? Join NOW!

Westside Writers

Every Friday:
11:30 am- 12:05 pm
Room: N130
First meeting- October 11th

Welcome to

UIL-SCIENCE CLUB

Ms. Akhter L204

Come Join UIL Science Club every Friday 2nd Half of Lunch!



CODING CLUB!

REMINDE CODE: wscore25

WHAT WE DO

Meet together with fellow peers interested in coding. Solve problems while working with one another to test skills and practice new languages

WHERE TO FIND US?

Meetings happen every Thursday in N225 during lunch.

Start



!Crafting Club!

Need a place to unwind and design? Well join the Crafting Club! Every Monday at Westside High School!

Meet us Every Monday During Lunch In S222

We look forward to seeing you there!

Remind : 8fhfggg

School Information

Cell Phone Policy

- ❑ Cell phones must be placed in backpack throughout the entire school day.
- ❑ Cell phones are allowed during LUNCH only
- ❑ Failure to follow these guidelines will result in consequences as outlined in the student code of conduct.



NEW!

HEADPHONES PROHIBITED at SCHOOL

Headphones cannot be visible at any time at school



DRESS CODE

What to wear:

Students must wear ID on Lanyard
Must be visible at all times

Shirts with sleeves
Any color/pattern
Must cover fully in front & back

Jeans, joggers, leggings, pants
Worn at the waist

Shorts, skirts & dresses
Length at least to mid-thigh

Jackets & Hoodies
Worn with a shirt under it, hoods down

No sleepwear
No pajamas, slippers/house shoes, blankets

No headwear
(except for religious purposes)
No hats, caps, durags, bonnets, bandanas, etc.

No revealing clothing
No tank tops, camis, low-cut tops, crop-tops, biker shorts, sheer or tight-fitting clothing

No sunglasses

No offensive clothing/accessories
May not represent or advocate offensive or inappropriate activities/ideologies

RISE TO YOUR POTENTIAL

LEVEL UP

School Information



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Hazel Health is here to support your student

With Hazel, your child can get the health care they need, when they need it, at school or at home, via TeleHealth at **no out-of-pocket cost to you.**

Virtual physical and mental health care for students

Physical health providers address student needs within minutes

- Cold or flu symptoms
- Headache
- Stomach ache
- Abdominal pain
- Minor injuries
- and more

Licensed therapists help students cope with what they're feeling

- Anxiety
- Academic stress
- Depression
- Bullying
- Change
- and more

Scan to learn more

Learn more and consent for services my.hazel.co/houstonisd



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Hazel Health está aquí para ayudar a su estudiante

Con Hazel, su hijo puede obtener la atención médica que necesita, cuando la necesita, en la escuela o en el hogar, a través de telesalud **sin costo de bolsillo para usted.**

Atención virtual de salud física y mental para estudiantes

Los proveedores de salud física abordan las necesidades de los estudiantes en cuestión de minutos

- Síntomas de resfriado o influenza
- Dolor de cabeza
- Dolor de estómago
- Dolor abdominal
- ¡y mucho más!

Los terapeutas autorizados ayudan a los estudiantes a afrontar lo que sienten

- Ansiedad
- Estrés académico
- Depresión
- Acoso escolar
- Cambios
- ¡y mucho más!

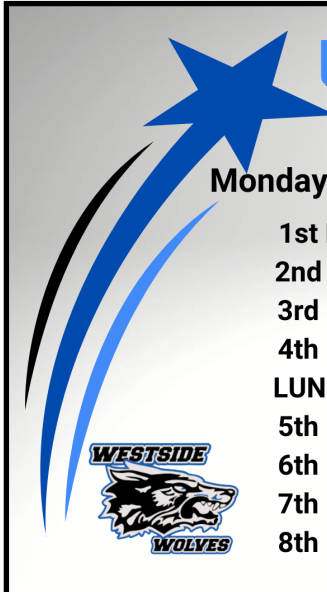
Escanea para aprender más

Todos los servicios se prestan a través de la telemedicina

Obtenga más información y dé su consentimiento para acceder a los servicios. my.hazel.co/houstonisd


Reminders for Parents/Students:

- The horseshoe driveway at the Main Entrance is reserved for students with special needs during morning drop-off and afternoon dismissal.
- No food deliveries! Door Dash, Uber Eats and all other food delivery services are prohibited.
- No visitors are allowed during the lunch period.



WESTSIDE 24/25 BELL SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday & Friday	Wednesday & Thursday
1st Pd 7:45 - 8:35	1st/2nd Pd 7:45 - 9:25
2nd Pd 8:40 - 9:25	3rd/4th Pd 9:30 - 11:05
3rd Pd 9:30 - 10:15	LUNCH 11:05 - 12:05
4th Pd 10:20 - 11:05	5th/6th Pd 12:10 - 1:45
LUNCH 11:05 - 12:05	7th/8th Pd 1:50 - 3:25
5th Pd 12:10 - 12:55	
6th Pd 1:00 - 1:45	
7th Pd 1:50 - 2:35	
8th Pd 2:40 - 3:25	

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LEVEL UP** 

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