



# WOLF E-NEWS

*from Westside High School*

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August 27, 2024

Thanks for coming out for  
Back to School Bash & Open House!

## Calendar

**September 2**

Labor Day Holiday, No School

**September 3**

Staff Professional Development Day, No school for Students

**September 17**

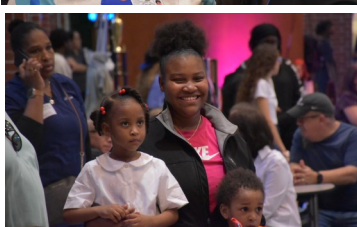
Coffee with the Principal, 8-9:30 AM

**October 3**

Staff Professional Development Day, No school for Students

**October 4**

Fall Holiday, No School



2024-  
2025  
HISD  
Calendar

## PTO News

### PTO Membership

perks!

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#### SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

To be eligible for a PTO Spirit Scholarship, the family must join the PTO by December 31, 2024.

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#### WHS SWAG!

Who doesn't want Free WHS swag?

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#### GIFT CARDS

• Chick-fil-a  
• Tropical Smoothie  
• Crumbl Cookie  
You could win one of these!



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#### EXTRA PERKS FOR STAFF MEMBERS

Win a VIP parking spot good until the end of 1st semester 2024, (only offered in August and January)

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#### EXTRA PERKS FOR STAFF MEMBERS

Win 2 jeans day per year



JOIN TODAY!



Entry for this month's raffle ends on August 30, 2024. The winner will be randomly selected and announced in our stories on September 5, 2024. Follow us on Instagram @westsidehtxpto

Must be a PTO member to win.

Please scan QR code or visit us at westsidehighpto.org

Here are some of PTO contributions:



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24/25

## PTO Meetings

6:30 PM in S100:

September 18

November 20

February 19

April 16

### The PTO Welcomes All New and Returning Westside Families

Join PTO by August 30th for entry to monthly raffle

#### SCHOOL STORE HOURS

8/28 & 8/30: DURING LUNCH

9/4 & 9/6: DURING LUNCH

Shop Online and Pick Up at Store

WHS PTO Website



Scan using your camera

Follow us on Instagram  
@westsidehtxpto

GO WOLVES!

WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG

#### NEXT PTO MEETING

WED 9/18 AT 6:30PM  
ROOM S100. SEE YOU THERE!

## School Announcements

# Parents...You're Invited

Coffee & Conversation  
with  
Principal Zapata



**Tuesday**  
**September 17**  
**8:30 AM in the Library**

**We  
Are  
westside**



<b>WESTSIDE 24/25 BELL SCHEDULE</b>			
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		



**RISE TO YOUR POTENTIAL  
LEVELUP** ↑

<b>WESTSIDE DRESS CODE</b>	
<b>No sleepwear</b> No pajamas, slippers/house shoes, blankets	<b>RISE TO YOUR POTENTIAL LEVELUP</b> ↑
<b>No headwear</b> (except for religious purposes) No hats, caps, durags, bonnets, bandanas, etc.	
<b>No revealing clothing</b> No tank tops, camis, low-cut tops, crop-tops, biker shorts, sheer or tight-fitting clothing	
<b>No sunglasses</b>	
<b>No offensive clothing/accessories</b> May not represent or advocate offensive or inappropriate activities/ideologies	

### 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



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LEVELUP** ↑



## Announcements



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

**You:** Commit 2 hours/week to after-school 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**

- Wednesday, September 18th - Thursday, November 7th
- Classes are 1 hour/day and meet on a M/W OR T/TH schedule

**Where**

- In-Person Classes (based on location) OR Virtual

**Benefits**

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

**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)

**APPLY NOW!**

**Deadline:** Tuesday, September 3rd 11:59pm CST

**Questions?**

Info@Code2College.org



# WEGA TOWNHALL

*mini theater*

Join us in the mini theater for the first WEGA meeting of the year!  
**First half of lunch**

## 08/30



# NEURO CLUB INTEREST MEETING!

**WED. 28th in S110**

**OPEN ALL LUNCH!**

**WELCOME, AND WELCOME BACK!**



# Gamer's Club

**Hosted In: E130**

**We have board games and Videogames**

**WEDNESDAYS DURING LUNCH**

## Announcements



**Join the Crafting Club Today!**


**First Meeting Monday  
Septemeber 9<sup>th</sup>  
During Lunch  
S222  
See Ms. Hebert**



**When: August 30th  
Where: S222  
Time: During Lunch**



Our organization is designed to help girls understand the power and importance of their voice and how to use it to affect change within their communities and around the world! Our club focuses on teaching girls the skills needed within business, entrepreneurship, government and more! If you are a girl looking for a club that fosters leadership, job shadowing, networking, and scholarship opportunities Nerdy Girl Success is for you.  
See Mrs. Hebert for Details!  
Tonya.prince@houstonisd.org



**Seniors -  
Submit a  
T-Shirt  
design**

Submit a senior shirt design  
to: [bit.ly/2025SeniorShirt](https://bit.ly/2025SeniorShirt)

We will vote on our favorite design.

Date: 9/10/2024 Time: 8:30 Location: A-205

**SENIOR COLLEGE  
VISIT**

University of  
Southern California

Get a pass from A205

**SENIORS PAINT YOUR  
PARKING SPOT!!**

(MUST HAVE PAID PARKING SPOT IN THE STUDENT LOT)

**Bring brushes for your  
artwork!!!**



**Saturday, Septembter 21  
7 am - 1 pm**

[Sign up here](https://bit.ly/WHSSPTP)

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**Rules/Details in the sign up  
Payment must be made on  
SchoolPay**



**Westside High School**  
Home of the WOLVES





## Announcements



**ATTENTION ALL 9TH AND 10TH GRADERS!!!**  
**INTERESTED IN PLAYING GIRLS BASKETBALL THIS YEAR???**

**CONTACT COACH GILLESPIE OR COACH SMITH TO GET ENROLLED!**

**MUST HAVE CURRENT SPORTS PHYSICAL.**

**MAIN GYM**

**TGILLESP@HOUSTONISD.ORG**  
**LSMITH55@HOUSTONISD.ORG**

**REGIONAL QUALIFIERS**



**LADY WOLVES TRACK & FIELD**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**  
 COACH WHITE - GYM  
 COACH THOMAS - R123B  
 COACH RUBIO - N227

**SEASON OFFICIALLY BEGINS JANUARY**

**FOLLOW OUR INSTAGRAM @WESTSIDEWOLVESTF**



**SHORT SPRINTS | HURDLES | DISTANCE RUNNING | RELAYS**

**LONG/TRIPLE JUMP | HIGH JUMP | SHOT & DISCUS | POLE VAULT**




## WESTSIDE WATER POLO HOME GAMES

Girls @6:00PM      Boys @7:00PM

August 27<sup>th</sup> vs. **Deer Park**

September 17<sup>th</sup> vs. **Strake/St. Agnes**

September 20<sup>th</sup> vs. **Bellaire**

September 24<sup>th</sup> vs **Lamar**



## Announcements

# Submit Your Photos to the Yearbook!

Help us capture the Spirit of Westside by submitting your photos today! Scan the QR code and send us photos! We want the following:

- First day of school
- Candid photos of you and your friends
- Behind the scenes of your club and organization
- And anything else you think captures the "Spirit of Westside"!



*Celebrate*  
**LABOR**  
*Day*

**Labor Day Holiday**  
**September 2**  
**No School**

**Staff Professional**  
**Development Day**  
**September 3**  
**No School**

## Announcements

### 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

#### 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 during the lunch period



## Announcements





### 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](https://my.hazel.co/houstonisd)





### 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 tele salud **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!

Scan to learn more 


Obtenga más información y dé su consentimiento para acceder a los servicios. [my.hazel.co/houstonisd](https://my.hazel.co/houstonisd)

**The first Pulse Check is Thursday, August 29th**

### Get to know Possip!

- Recurring Pulse Check surveys
- Sent via text & email
- No app or login needed
- Families respond in their home language
- Actionable data for schools & districts
- Stronger school communities





### HOW FAMILY VOICES WILL HELP

Families receive a Pulse Check via text or email.

Possip provides HISD with a report of family responses.

Families respond to the Pulse Check.


HISD responds to family feedback and shares praise!

**¡Esté atento a su primer Pulse Check, muy pronto! el jueves, 29 de agosto**

### Cómo Possip Ayuda a Apoyar tu Escuela:

- Encuestas periódicas de Pulse Check
- Enviadas por mensaje de texto y correo electrónico
- No se necesita aplicación o inicio de sesión
- Responda en su idioma preferido
- Datos accionables para escuelas y distritos
- Comunidades escolares más fuertes



### CÓMO AYUDA USTED VOZ

Recibe Pulse Check por mensaje de texto o correo electrónico una vez al mes.

Possip proporciona a HISD un informe de las respuestas familiares.

Responder a la Pulse Check.

HISD responde a los comentarios de la familia y comparte elogios.

## Follow Us on Social Media



Facebook: Westside High School



Instagram: gowestsidewolves



Twitter: @westsidehigh



## Quick Links

Submit stories and photos for eNews:

[barbara.nassab@houstonisd.org](mailto:barbara.nassab@houstonisd.org)

School Pay:

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

School Web Address:

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

HISD Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org>