



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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Info for you!

March 3, 2025

A graphic with a blue and white geometric background. At the top left is the Westside High School logo. Below it, the text reads: "Calling all Parents!! Join the Westside PTO". A paragraph follows: "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." A megaphone icon is at the bottom left. On the right, a smartphone frame contains the text "Join the Team!" and "Please complete this form for next year's opportunities." Below this is a QR code and the text "Scan Me!". At the bottom of the phone frame, contact information for Mevey Zapata is provided.

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

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Join the Team!

Please complete this form for next year's opportunities.

Scan Me!

Contact:
Mevey Zapata
whsptomembership@gmail.com
for any questions.

A graphic with a blue and white diagonal striped background. It features blue flowers and green leaves. The text reads: "Have a safe & relaxing Spring BREAK MARCH 10 -14". At the bottom center is the Westside High School logo.

Have a safe & relaxing

**Spring
BREAK**

MARCH 10 -14

Calendar

March 10-14
Spring Break

March 22
Saturday Tutorials,
9 AM—12 Noon

March 31
Chavez Huerta Day,
No School

April 18
Spring Holiday,
No School

May 2
Staff Professional Development Day, No School

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[Calendar](#)

Testing Information

Spring TSIA2 Testing available at Westside High School for Seniors

The Texas Success Initiative Assessment 2.0 (TSIA2) is a series of tests for students enrolling in public colleges and universities in Texas. The tests help Texas schools determine whether a student is ready for college-level courses in the areas of reading, writing, and math. Not all Texas college students have to take TSIA2. If your student has met college readiness standards on a standardized test like the SAT, they may be [exempt](#).

NOTE: SAT Scores are available in your student's [College Board](#) account.

SAT School Day

SAT® School Day allows states, districts, and schools to offer juniors the opportunity to take the SAT during their regular school day at their home school, expanding access to a globally recognized college admission test.

- Test Date: **Wednesday, April 2, 2025** Audience: All 11th grade students
- No registration necessary
- FREE
- Students will need a photo ID and their laptop and charger on test day.

Click here for [more information about the test](#) and here for [practice opportunities and sample questions](#).

HCC Dual Credit Program

The Westside Houston Community College Dual Credit program is now accepting paperwork for the 2025-2026 school year.

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, click [HERE](#) . Paper copies available in the Library.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Matlock at smatlock@houstonisd.org or stop by the Library. The deadline to submit paperwork is 5/9/2025.

Accolades

Tennis News: Congratulations to the following students who placed at the Varsity meet vs. Pearland last week:

1st Place Doubles : Sricharan MacHavarapu & Reddy Bommala

2nd Place Singles: Julien Merlin



Coding News: Shout out to Andrew Blair, Miguel Estrada, Nicholas Hutchinson, Nicolas De Sousa, Allana Gahimbare, Mia Montemayor, Aaron Qin, Thanh Vo, and Alejandro Medina who competed in HP Code Wars on Saturday.

Pride Dance Team brings home the hardware from State!



Accolades



Band News:

Last weekend, Wolf Band members participated in the Region 23 Solo and Ensemble competition. As a result of their hard work, they brought home 50 medals and 14 State Qualifiers:

Kevin Cashion (Solo and Quartet)
 Adrian Pardo (Solo and Quartet)
 Gabriel Eljach (Quartet)
 Levi Ary (Quartet)
 Sophia Heinzelmann (Solo)
 David Mahone (Solo)
 Luke Castro (Solo and Percussion Ensemble)
 Elle Duncan (Solo and Percussion Ensemble)
 Daniel Nelson-Evbuomwan (Solo and Percussion Ensemble)
 Samantha Vu (Solo)
 Sebastian Esquivel (Percussion Ensemble)
 Daniel Martinez (Percussion Ensemble)
 Madison Sperandio (Percussion Ensemble)
 Desmond Stapleton (Percussion Ensemble)



Band members compete in Austin: This weekend, Wolf Band Members Liam and Kai Mahone (pictured far left and far right) competed with Clutch City Brass Quintet as semi-finalists in the national Coltman Chamber Music Competition in Austin. Congratulations on a fine performance!

Senior Bowling Night!



Bowling Night



Class of 2025



Accolades

Inertia Dance Company News: This past weekend, our talented dancers traveled to Pittsburgh, PA for the **National High School Dance Festival**, where they showcased their hard work, passion, and artistry on a national stage, earning well-deserved recognition!

Out of **276 high school submissions**, **Inertia** was selected to perform at the prestigious **Friday Night Gala** at the **Benedum Theater**, sharing the stage with some of the nation's top dance programs. Their performance received a **standing ovation!**

A special shoutout to **Jacob Sacks**, whose solo was chosen out of **132 student submissions** for the **Embedded Student Performance Concert**—an incredible honor!

Our dancers earned **automatic acceptance into multiple university dance programs** and received **scholarship opportunities** to continue their dance journey!

Congratulations to **Inertia Dance Company** for representing **Westside, HISD, and Houston** so well on the national stage!

Spotlights from HISD West Connect Newsletter:

Teacher Spotlight, Ms. Triunfante

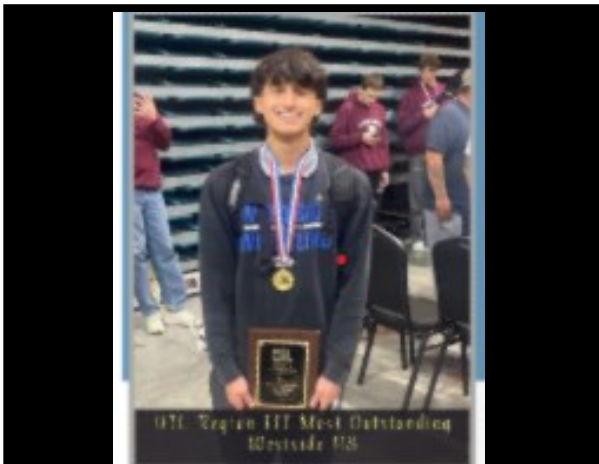


Westside High School is proud to recognize Ms. Maria Monica Triunfante, our dedicated Biology teacher, for her hard work and commitment to student success. Since joining the Westside community this year, she has brought energy, positivity, and a passion for education that inspires her students to stay curious and engaged. Her enthusiasm creates a dynamic and supportive learning environment where students feel motivated to participate and grow.

Ms. Triunfante's commitment to professional growth is evident in her willingness to embrace feedback and refine her instructional practices. She actively participates in PLCs, collaborates with colleagues, and applies coaching strategies with an open mind. Her growth in areas such as turn and talks, quick writes, monitoring student engagement, addressing misconceptions, and highlighting exemplars has significantly impacted student understanding.

Her adaptability, and eagerness to implement new strategies, reflects her dedication to continuous improvement. Ms. Triunfante's positivity and energy create a supportive classroom environment where students feel empowered to ask questions, take risks, and confidently overcome challenges.

Student Spotlight, Santiago Ramirez



Announcements



Save the Date!!

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

NO TICKETS REQUIRED
NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF GUESTS

PTO Membership perks!

1
SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP
To be eligible for a PTO Spirit Scholarship, the family must join the PTO by December 31, 2024.

2
WHS SWAG!
Who doesn't want Free WHS swag?

4
GIFT CARDS
• Chick-fil-a
• Tropical Smoothie
• Crumbl Cookie
You could win one of these!

5
EXTRA PERKS FOR STAFF MEMBERS
Win a VIP parking spot good for the whole school year! (Must be registered by Nov. 1, 2024)

6
EXTRA PERKS FOR STAFF MEMBERS
Win 2 jeans day per year

Thank you Sponsors:




JOIN TODAY!



Follow us on Instagram @westsidehtxpto
 Must be a PTO member to win. Raffles to be announced monthly.
 Please scan QR code or visit us at westsidehighptto.org

Saturday Tutorials

March 22

9 AM-12 Noon

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



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

It's a GREAT DAY
to be a WOLF!

Announcements



WESTSIDE PRIDE

AUDITIONS

REGISTRATION DUE: APRIL 1
IN-PERSON AUDITIONS: APRIL 2-4, 2025 IN THE WESTSIDE MAIN GYM

JOIN THE 2X OVERALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

REGISTRATION

AUDITION PACKET

Pick up an audition flyer from Ms. Emert in G111



Reminder!

KEY CLUB MEETING
THURSDAY 3/6
1ST HALF OF LUNCH
MINI THEATRE



!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

Announcements



**Choir &
Orchestra**
Pre-UIL Concert

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH
6PM
MINI-THEATRE
FREE ADMISSION



Welcome to
**UIL-
SCIENCE
CLUB**

Ms. Akhter
L204

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



**CODING
CLUB!**


REMIIND CODE:
wscod25

WHAT WE DO
Meet together with fellow peers
intrested 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

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!!!

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




JOIN JROTC

- We have Competitive Teams
- Earn your Letterman
- Earn a PE Credit
- Earn a Military Scholarship
- Become a leader, a better person,
And a better citizen

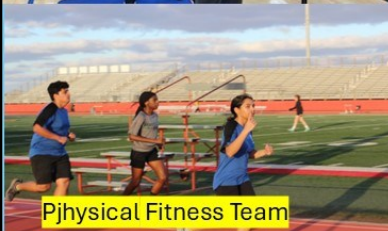
Questions: See Major Gozalo or
Command Sergeant Major Dang
at JROTC or email
ggozalo@houstonisd.org or
hai.dang@houstonisd.org




Archery




Marksmanship




Pphysical Fitness Team




Ranger Swim



Color Guard



Flagfolding Team



Rifle Drill Team

Get Involved!



Gamer's Club

Hosted In:
E130

We have
board games
and
Videogames

**WEDNESDAYS
DURING
LUNCH**



DRONE *Club*

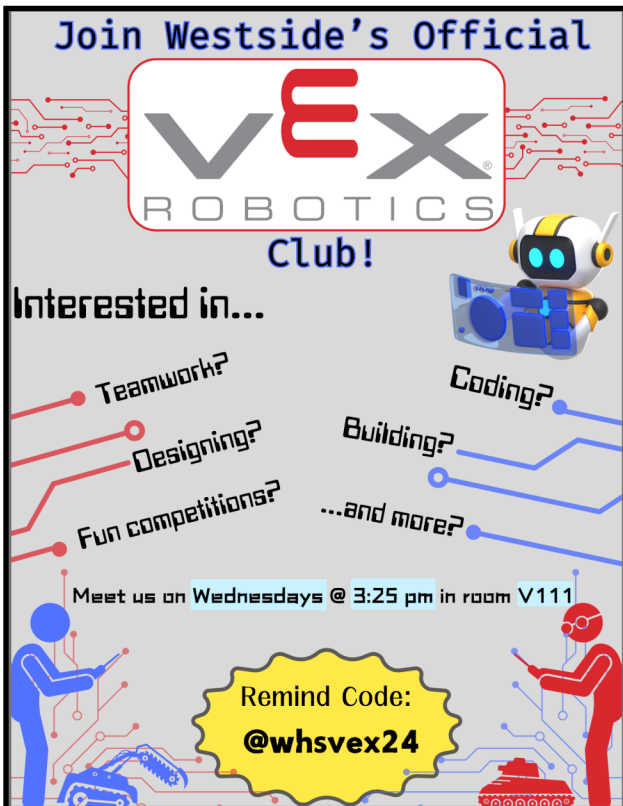
**TUESDAYS
3:30-4:30
ROOM V111**

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

Get Involved!

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 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!

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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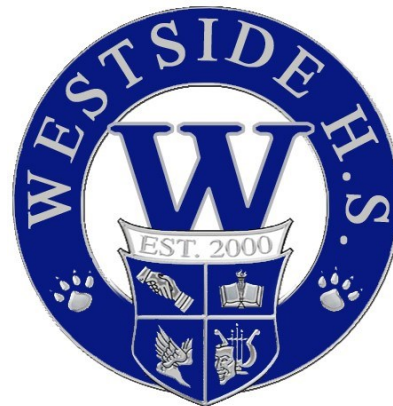
Facebook: Westside High School



Instagram: gowestsidewolves



Twitter: @westsidehigh



Quick Links

Submit stories and photos for eNews:

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School Pay:

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

School Web Address:

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

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<https://www.houstonisd.org>