September 10, 2024

Policy Highlight: Electronic Devices



CELL PHONES * EARBUDS * HEADPHONES!

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY 2024/2025

Acceptable Cell Phone Usage

- 1. Use of cell phones and earbuds is allowed only during lunch.
- All non-school-issued electronic devices must be stowed away (not visible) during all other times, including passing periods.
- Headphones are prohibited at all times during the school day and will be confiscated. See details of consequences below.

Electronic Devices may NOT be visible at any time in the classroom.

Classroom Violations

Parent Phone Call and/or Administrative Referral with consequences detailed below.

Violations Outside Classroom & Consequences

- First Offense: Electronic devices are confiscated for the day by an administrator and parent is notified.
 Returned after 3:30 pm in the main office.
- 2. Second Offense: Electronic devices are confiscated and parent is notified. Returned after $3:30 \, \mathrm{pm}$ on the 3^{rd} day in the main office.
- 3. Repeat Offenders: If a student has 3 or more occurrences of electronic device violations:
 - The device is confiscated for 5 school days
 - Requires mandatory parent conference with the Dean (via Teams or in person)
- 4. **Refusal to Surrender Phone**: If a student refuses to relinquish their phone to the Dean, they will receive a minimum of 1 day ISS and parent will be contacted.

Violations During Testing

During testing, students are required to relinquish devices prior to the exam according to district policy. Violators receive a "No Score", which invalidates their test. Violations during testing result in confiscation of devices for 2 weeks.

Acceptable Use

The district reserves the right to suspend use of a device on campus at any time if it is determined the user is violating the Acceptable Use Policy or the HISD Code of Student Conduct.

Disciplinary and Criminal Investigations

If a cell phone is material to a disciplinary matter, administration may hold the device until the outcome is finalized. In the case of a criminal investigation, the device will be turned over to the custody of law enforcement personnel pending charges.

Calendar

September 14

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

September 17

Coffee with the Principal, 9:00 AM in the Library

September 18

Senior Parent Meeting at 6:00 PM, PTO Meeting at 6:30 PM, both in Mini Theatre

September 21 & 28

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

October 3

Staff Professional Development Day, No school for Students

October 4

Fall Holiday, No School

November 8

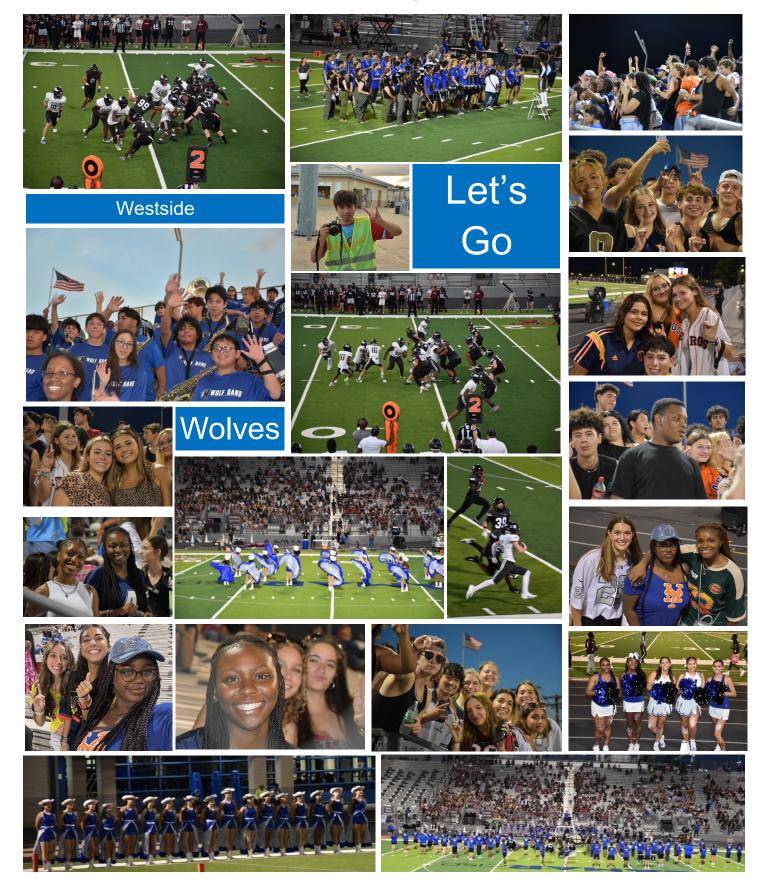
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November 25-29

Thanksgiving Break

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Football vs. George Ranch HS



Football vs. Clements HS





JV V-ball vs. Aldine HS

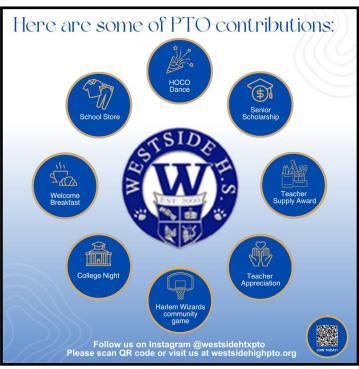




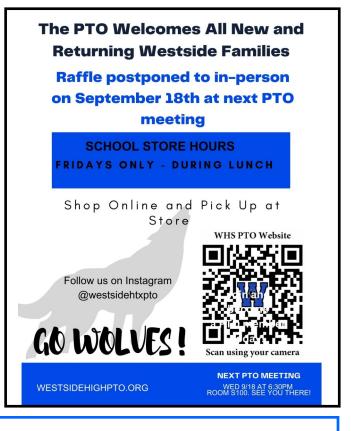
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September 18 in the Mini-Theatre

Senior Parent Meeting at 6 PM

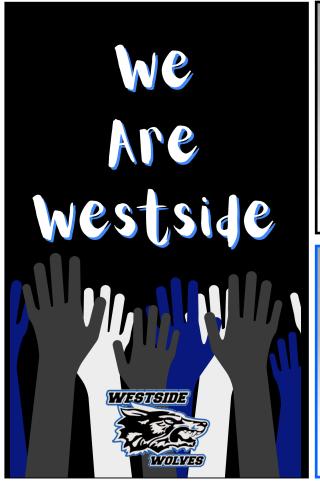
PTO General Meeting at 6:30 PM

School Announcements

Parents...You're Invited

Coffee & Conversation with Principal Zapata

Tuesday
September 17
9:00 AM in the Library







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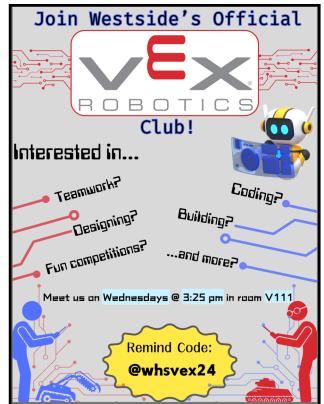
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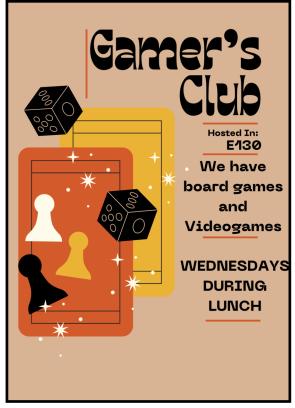






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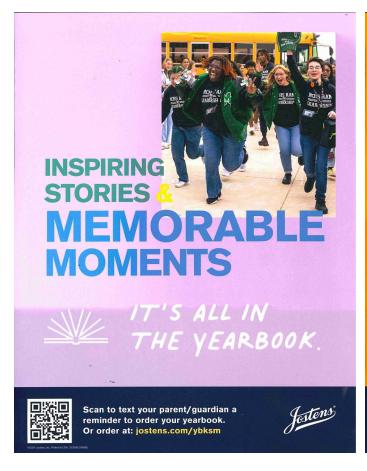
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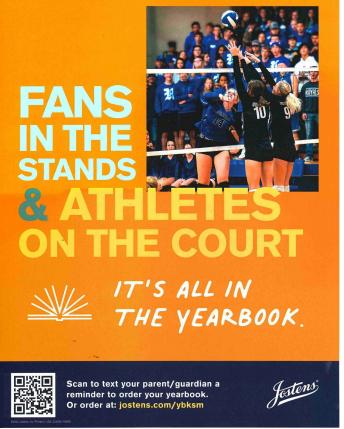
Submit Your Photos to the Yearbook!

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
- Candids of you and your friends
- Behind the scenes of your club and organization
- And anything else you think captures the "Spirit of Westside"!







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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.





Reminders for Parents/Students:

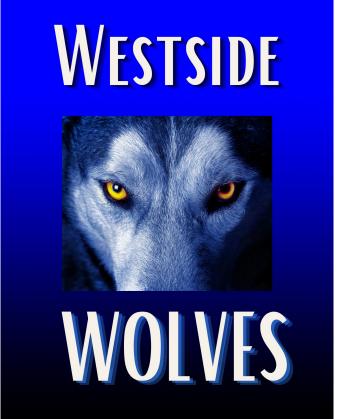
- The horseshoe driveway at the Main Entrance is reserved for students with special needs during morning drop-off and afternoon dismissal
- No food deliveries! Door Dash, Uber Eats and all other food delivery services are prohibited
 - No visitors during the lunch period

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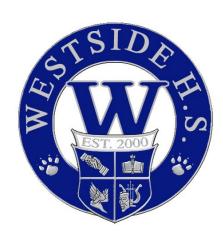
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