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from Westside High School

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Calendar Notes

September 30, 2024



Calendar

October 3

Staff Professional Development Day, No school for Students

October 4

Fall Holiday, No School

October 10

College Night, 6-8 PM, Commons

October 12, 19 & 26

Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM–12 Noon

November 8

Staff Professional Development Day, No School for Students

November 25-29

Thanksgiving Break

Westside College Night

Grades
9th - 12th
Students &
Parents

Thursday, October 10, 2024

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Westside Commons

The annual opportunity that every college-bound student does not want to miss!

Approximately 100 college/program representatives will be at individual tables to answer questions and discuss their institutions and/or programs.

Texas & Out of State

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Public and Private

Highly Selective – Open Enrollment

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2-year / 4-year & trade school programs

Show
demonstrated interest
Build a relationship with Admission
Officers.
Get informed of specific opportunities
for each institution.


2024-

2025

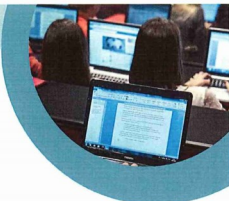
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Calendar

School News



PSAT Exam Fall 2024



Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Who takes the PSAT?

- PSAT 8/9: All Grade 8 & 9 Students
- PSAT / NMSQT: All Grade 10 & 11 Students

Important Deadlines

- September 18:** Deadline for EB Language Support Requests
- Students who have IEPs, 504 plans, or Emergent Bilingual students (who require language supports for testing) are eligible for specific accommodations.
- Accommodations requests must be submitted to College Board for review & approval
- PSAT Make-up Days:** October 17 and 18

Important Test Details

- PSAT is an online assessment
- Total time for testing is 2 hours and 14 minutes
- An online graphing calculator is available for all students
- A Math reference sheet with Math formulas is provided

Section	Time
Reading & Writing	64 minutes
Break	10 minutes
Math	70 minutes
Total testing time	2 hours & 14 minutes

Questions about designated supports?
Please contact your campus testing coordinator, counselor, special education/504 chairperson, or LPAC coordinator.


Why take the PSAT?


College Readiness:
Evaluates the essential knowledge and skills needed for college and career readiness. Qualifying scores allow students to take college credit courses (no remediation)

Literacy and Math Skills:
Measures critical reading skills, writing skills, math reasoning and problem-solving skills

Scholarship Opportunities:
Provides an opportunity to enter the competition for National Merit Scholarships

Advanced Course Scheduling:
May be used to determine eligibility for advanced courses, including HCC Dual Credit courses





WESTSIDE HS PSAT CAMP

9TH, 10TH & 11TH GRADE

DATES & TIMES

9th/10th Grade:

- September 21st: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- September 28th: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

11th Grade:

- September 28th: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- October 12th: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

PSAT PREP


Our amazing test prep team looks forward to camp with you! Our goal is to make sure you feel prepared and ready to take the PSAT exam.


Contact

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Location

 **14201 Briar Forest Dr.**
Houston, TX 77077



Examen PSAT otoño 2024



Miércoles 16 de octubre de 2024

¿Quién toma el examen PSAT?

- PSAT 8/9: Todos los estudiantes de 8.º y 9.º grado
- PSAT / NMSQT: Todos los estudiantes de 10.º y 11.º grado

Fechas límite importantes

- 16 de septiembre:** Fecha límite para las solicitudes de adaptaciones para EB estudiantes
- Los estudiantes que tienen IEP, planes 504 o estudiantes bilingües emergentes (que requieren apoyo lingüístico para las pruebas) son elegibles para adaptaciones específicas.
- Las solicitudes de adaptaciones deben enviarse al College Board para su revisión y aprobación.
- Días de recuperación del PSAT: 17 y 18 de octubre

Detalles importantes de la prueba

- PSAT es una evaluación en línea
- El tiempo total de prueba es de 2 horas y 14 minutos.
- Una calculadora gráfica en línea está disponible para todos los estudiantes.
- Se proporciona una hoja de referencia de matemáticas con fórmulas matemáticas.

Sección	Hora
Lectura y escritura	64 minutos
Descanso	10 minutos
Matemática	70 minutos
Tiempo total de prueba	2 horas y 14 minutos

¿Tiene preguntas sobre los apoyos designados?
Comuníquese con el coordinador de pruebas de su campus, el consejero, el presidente de educación especial/504 o el coordinador de LPAC.

¿Por qué tomar el PSAT?

Preparación para la universidad:
Evalúa los conocimientos y las habilidades esenciales necesarios para la preparación universitaria y profesional. Las puntuaciones que califican permiten a los estudiantes tomar cursos con créditos universitarios (sin recuperación)

Habilidades de alfabetización y matemáticas:
Mide las habilidades de lectura crítica, habilidades de escritura, razonamiento matemático y habilidades de resolución de problemas.

Programación avanzada de cursos:
Puede usarse para determinar la elegibilidad para cursos avanzados, incluidos los cursos de crédito dual de HCC



Saturday Tutorials

October 12, 19 & 26

9 AM-12 Noon

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

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.

2

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!



5

EXTRA PERKS FOR STAFF MEMBERS

Win a VIP parking spot good for the whole school year! (Must be registered by Nov. 1, 2024)

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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 westsidehighpto.org

2024-2025

The PTO Welcomes All New and Returning Westside Families

SCHOOL STORE HOURS

FRIDAYS: DURING LUNCH

Shop Online and Pick Up at Store

Follow us on Instagram
@westsidehtxpto

GO WOLVES!

WHS PTO Website



Scan using your camera


WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG

NEXT PTO MEETING

11/20 AT 6:30PM
ROOM S100. SEE YOU THERE!

YEAR AT A GLANCE

WHS PTO 2024 - 2025

August	September	October	November
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th - Open House and Back to School Bash 5:30-8pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd & 3rd - No School • 17th - Principal's coffee 8:30am at Library • 18th - Senior Parent meeting at 6pm and General PTO meeting 6:30pm in the mini theater • 20th - Senior Sunrise • 21st - Senior parking paint day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd & 4th - No School • 10th - College Night • 16th - PSAT and Senior class photo • 23-30th - HOCO Ticket sales • 31st - HOCO Parade & Game 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd - HOCO Dance • 7th - Senior Skate Night • 8th - No School • 20th - General PTO meeting 6:30pm S100 • 22nd - Seniors Fee Due • 25-29th - Thanksgiving Break / No School • TBD - Prospective Students Open House
December	January	February	March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBD - Magnet Tours • Staff Appreciation • 23-5th - Winter Break / No School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th - Alumni Breakfast • 20th - No School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14th - No School • 17th - No School • 19th - General PTO meeting 6:30pm S100 • TBD - Harlem Wizards game 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-14th Spring Break / No School • 31st - No School
April	May	June	Go Wolves!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th - Prom • 16th - General PTO meeting 6:30pm S100 • 18th - No School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd - No School • 4-9th Teacher Appreciation Week • 26th - No School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th - Last Day of School 	

Dates are subject to change.
Please follow us on Instagram @westsidehtxpto for any updates or
Scan QR code to visit us at westsidehighpto.org

School News

Wolf Band News:

Last week at Katy HS, two members of the Wolf Band – Liam and Kai Mahone – participated in the Region 23 Jazz Band Auditions. Kai Mahone (pictured, left) placed as 2nd Trumpet in the Jazz 2 ensemble, while Liam Mahone (pictured, right) placed as 1st Trombone in the Jazz 1 ensemble. Additionally, Liam has advanced to Area Jazz competition at HSPVA next Tuesday afternoon, with the chance to qualify for a seat in the All-State Jazz Band.

Congratulations to both students!



JROTC News:

JROTC held a Parent Night to provide parents with information about JROTC. The Westside Drill Team and Flag Folding Team performed for the parents and the Westside Choir performed an excellent rendition of the National Anthem.



Football vs. Lamar



Announcements



Homecoming

**October 31
Parade & Game**

**November 2
Dance**

Details coming soon!

Homecoming 2024

Court Nominations



Nominate the best representative for your class for homecoming court.

When: October 8 and 9

Where: CANVAS

(Form will open at 8:00 a.m. on October 8 and close at 4:00 p.m. on October 9)

Announcements





Inertia started its 25th year off strong, performing at the HISD Convocation, followed by an appearance in early September at the MATCH for Dance/Hunger/Action. They kicked off the Texas Street Dance Weekend in Sugarland with a high-powered Flash mob under the blazing sun, and had the distinct honor of performing at the Wortham Center as the preview for the legendary Twyla Tharp Dance Company this past weekend. This weekend they're off to Corpus Christi to participate in the Bailando International Dance Festival. They've been working hard, and they're not slowing down. Stay tuned, there's so much more to come!




Announcements



Herencia Latina
VAMOS A PREPARARNOS PARA EL FESTIVAL LATINO!!!

2 DE OCTUBRE PRIMERA MITAD DEL LUNCH/N126

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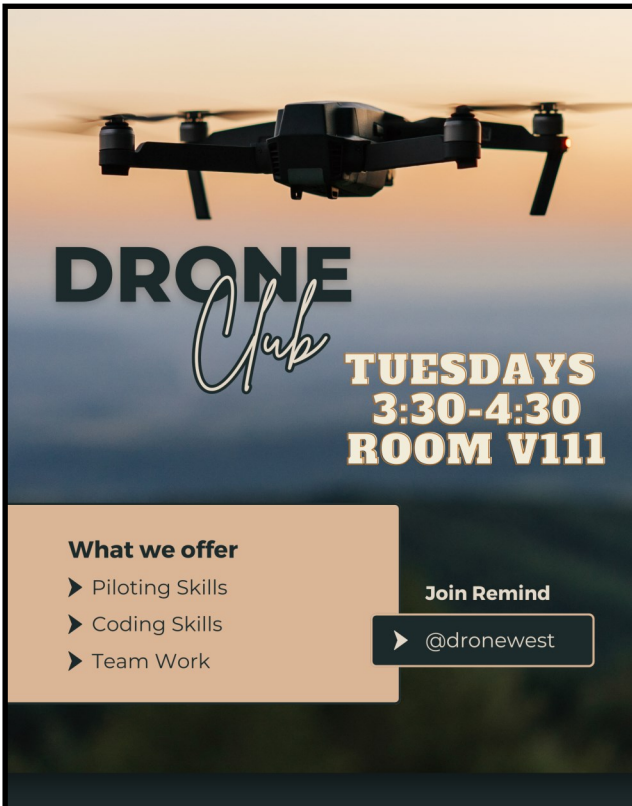


Gamer's Club

Hosted In: **E130**

We have board games and Videogames

WEDNESDAYS DURING LUNCH



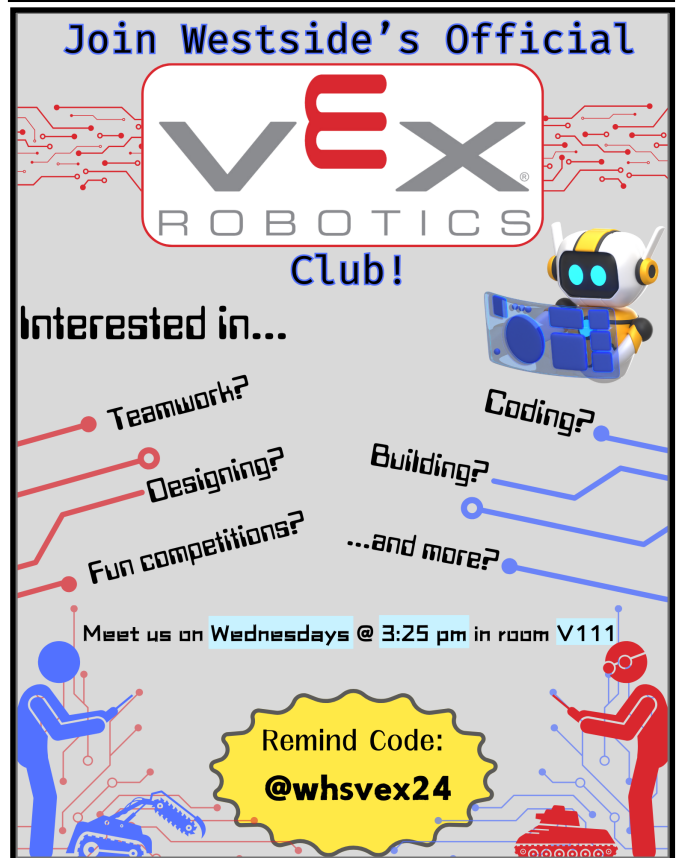
DRONE Club

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

Announcements

More Yearbooks are Available for Purchase!

More yearbooks have just been added for you to purchase, but they **WILL** sell out! Order yours today!

ORDER TODAY:



ONLINE

JOSTENS.COM/BUYYEARBK



SCAN



CALL

1.877.767.5217
8AM-5PM CST MONDAY-FRIDAY

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"!



Mission: "To motivate young people to become better citizens"

JROTC IN A NUTSHELL

Cadets Get Involved!

- Service Learning
- Toys For Tots fundraiser
- Wreaths Across America
- Parades
- Competitive Teams
- Scholarships
- Summer programs
- Leadership Positions



New Year- New Changes!

This year we are implementing SEVA (Service, Engagement, Volunteering, and Action) to improve our program. We are also welcoming new teams, a new staff, and a new instructor!

THE TEAMS WE OFFER



Physical Fitness
District Male and Female Teams



Color Guard
Honor Guard and Flag folding



Drill
Armed & Unarmed Drill teams



Marksmanship & Archery



Raider Team & Swim & Range



JLAB
JROTC Leadership & Academic Bowl

For PARENTS!



Parent Booster Club



JROTC website

Leadership Service Discipline Honor

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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!


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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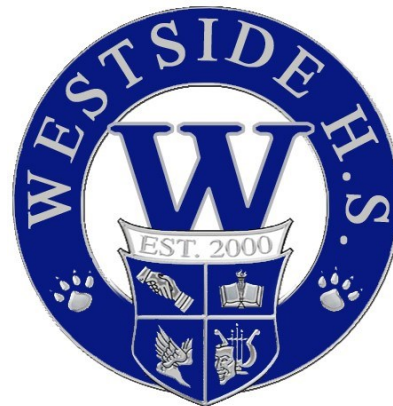
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