New HISD Parent Portal

The district will launch the **HISD Connect Parent Portal** on Aug. 31. Your student will soon receive a unique code, or access ID, *via their HISD email inbox*.

1. Parents will need to obtain the code from their student.
2. Use that code to set up a parent account to access your student’s profile through the HISD Connect Parent Portal using your web browser.

3. Next, you will set up your account on the **HISD Connect app**, which can be downloaded for free from the App Store or Google Play.

4. Once signed up, you will be able to use the HISD Connect Parent Portal as a tool to track information related to your student’s:
   - Schedules
   - Grades
   - Attendance
   - Academic History
   - And more

For more information, you may visit:

[www.houstonisd.org/ParentPortal](http://www.houstonisd.org/ParentPortal)

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**Go Wolves!**
We know keeping track of your student’s education is important to you. That’s why HISD is making this easier than ever with the new HISD Connect Parent Portal.

The portal will open on Aug. 31 and will be your go-to source to complete start-of-year registration forms and keep track of important student information.

The HISD Connect Parent Portal will include:

- **STUDENT PROGRESS & GRADE REPORTING**
- **SCHEDULES**
- **ATTENDANCE**
- **ACADEMIC HISTORY**

Parents will receive a unique code, or access ID, for each of their students to set up an account and view their student’s profile.

After setting up an account on a web browser, parents will be able to use the login credentials they created to access their student’s profile on the HISD Connect app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

For more information, visit [HoustonISD.org/ParentPortal](http://www.houstonisd.org/ParentPortal)
In Case You Missed It:  
Westside Launches Virtual Learning Page for Wolves

This is an unprecedented but exciting time for our school community. In an effort to present new information about our remote learning program in a clear and easily-accessible format, we introduce our new Westside Virtual Learning Plan Website. We built this site to help students and parents better understand what our virtual learning plan will look like as we kick-off the 2020-2021 school year.

We hope this helps to alleviate possible concerns surrounding all aspects of blended learning. Reviewing each section of the site will help our Westside Wolves feel ready to take on distance learning. You can rest assured that our high standards for excellence will continue, and we will be doing our best to help each student feel a part of our Wolf Pack!

To learn more about our Virtual Learning Plan, join Principal Wittpenn for a Live Chat with parents on Microsoft Teams on September 2nd at 6 PM. Click here for details and the link to join at meeting time.
Important Information from HISD

The Houston Independent School District has developed a plan to deliver quality education during the upcoming 2020-2021 school year while ensuring the health and safety of our students, families and staff. **All students will begin the 2020-2021 school year virtually on September 8, 2020.** Click [here](http://houstonisd.org/parentcourse) for all the details regarding the HISD reopening plan.

HISD has created the "**Parent Introduction to Virtual Learning**" course to provide guidance for parents as they support their child's virtual learning experience. The course is now available at: [http://houstonisd.org/parentcourse](http://houstonisd.org/parentcourse)

Learn all about volunteering for 2020-21 school year through HISD VIPS program. Click [here](http://houstonisd.org/parentcourse) for details and to find the link to register online. The HISD VIPS program will begin accepting NEW and Returning Volunteer Applications for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year **August 17, 2020** due to delays related to COVID-19 pandemic.

The Houston Independent School District, in partnership with the Houston Food Bank, is hosting mass community food distributions in August at NRG Stadium.

Distribution is open from 2 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 28 in the NRG yellow lot. During the final distribution — on Aug. 28 only — families also will receive school supplies donated by T-Mobile, Reliant, and Kroger. Click [here](http://houstonisd.org/parentcourse) for additional details.

Go to: [houstonisd.org](http://houstonisd.org)
For important announcements and information from our school district.
New Student Registration
Click **HERE** to register online!

If you cannot register online:
Walk-Up/Drive Thru Service
**Mondays & Wednesdays 8 AM-12 Noon**
Please bring a completed registration packet and all of the requested documentation.
You may pick up your packet in advance.
Look for packets in the acrylic basket mounted on wall to the right of the doors.

Westside High School
**It’s a Great Day to be a Wolf!**
www.westsidewolves.org

**OR CLICK HERE!**
Mark Your Calendar

**Laptops & IDs for New Students**
(Completed Enrollment Required)

Drive-Thru Service in the Auditorium Lot on Briar Forest
Masks Required for Students & Driver/Parent

New Students
Grades 9-12
Monday, August 24
4-6 PM

**All Tech Needs**
- Laptop repairs/exchanges for returning students
- Late laptop deployment for new students
- All tech needs for all students

By Appointment
August 25 through Sept. 4
9 AM-12 Noon

Click [HERE](#) to sign up

**Senior Virtual Orientation**
Tuesday, August 25
7:00 PM
Live Chat on Microsoft Teams

**Junior Virtual Orientation**
Wednesday, August 26
2:30 PM
Live Chat on Microsoft Teams

**Sophomore Virtual Orientation**
Thursday, August 27
2:30 PM
Live Chat on Microsoft Teams

**Calling All Freshmen! Virtual Wolf Camp**
Friday, August 28
9 AM-11 AM

Live Chat on Microsoft Teams
Meet Principal Wittppenn and the Deans!
Get the info you need for first day of school.

Go here when it’s time to join the meeting:

Need help getting started on your new student laptop?
Click [HERE](#) for instructions on “How to POWER UP”!
Mark Your Calendar

SAVE THE DATE!

Live Chat with Principal Wittppenn

SEPTEMBER 2nd at 6 PM
On Microsoft Teams

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

VIRTUAL LEARNING PLAN

Click HERE to join at meeting time!

Back-to-School BASH

LIVE STREAMING EVENT

ALL ARE WELCOME!
STUDENTS ~ PARENTS ~ TEACHERS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD
★ 4–6 PM

Click HERE for HISD 2020-2021 Academic Calendar
PTO News and Announcements

- The PTO in partnership with the College Center will be hosting a virtual College Knowledge night for senior parents on August 26th at 6:30 pm. You can register for the event at [https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/blog](https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/blog).

- Join the PTO for the series “Together We Can Do...Anything Virtually”. Each month we will feature a guest speaker or speaker panel from Westside faculty, staff, and students who will keep us connected to our Westside Community. Our first session will feature Principal Wittppen on Monday, September 14 at 6:30 pm. You can register for the event at [https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/blog](https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/blog).

- PTO Membership: The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) supports student learning at Westside by investing in staff, students, and community needs. Please join PTO today at [https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/join](https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/join).

- Be sure to take the [HISD Online Course for Parents](https://www.westsidehightpoto.org/join). It took about 30 minutes for me to get through it all.
SAT and PSAT Info

**Saturday SAT Testing**—Due to district Covid-19 building closures, all Saturday SAT Tests originally scheduled at Westside High School are cancelled for August and September. Click here for additional information from the College Board.

**School Day SAT/PSAT**—based on the current plan (subject to change), school day SAT and PSAT will be administered to Westside students during school on the following schedule:

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2020 Yearbook

If you still need to pick-up your pre-purchased 2020 Yearbook, please email Ms. Roberts at srobert2@houstonisd.org

Interested in Cross Country? *BOYS & GIRLS*  
All are welcome, everyone makes the team!  
Contact Coach Guy to sign up!  
DGUY@houstonisd.org  
In person practice/conditioning TBD when district Covid guidelines permit

Need your **DIPLOMA or TRANSCRIPT?**  
Please send an email to:  
gsalina1@houstonisd.org

Need to pick up your Senior Packet?  
Please send an email to:  
aturner1@houstonISD.org
Quick Links

Submit stories and photos for eNews: barbara.nassab@houstonisd.org

Subscribe to receive eNews by email: https://mailman.lisstserve.com/listmanager/listinfo/whscommunity

School Web Address: https://www.houstonisd.org/westsidehs

Register for Parent Student Connect/GradeSpeed:
https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/42143

School Pay:
https://www.schoolpay.com/

HISD Web Address:
https://www.houstonisd.org

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Twitter: @westsidehigh