Finish Strong, Wolves!

Final exams begin one week from today! Students are encouraged to seize the opportunity in these last few days to attend tutorials, make a time-management plan, and put their best foot forward preparing for final exams.

Westside teachers offer classroom tutorials during lunch or after school on a weekly rotation. Click here for the schedule. For any of their courses, students may attend their own teacher’s sessions, or they may choose to attend another teacher’s session for convenience or to get a different perspective. Additionally, Saturday Tutorials will be offered this week on December 14th from 9 AM-12 Noon.

Remember, final exams count as 25% of the semester grade (Cycles 1, 2, and 3 each count as 25%) . Finish strong!

**December 2019 Final Exams Schedule**

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**Important Notes:**

- No early exams permitted;
- Missed exams will be made-up in mid-January 2020;
- Make-ups must be scheduled with Mr. Tyrone Davis, Associate Principal.
- tdavis4@houstonisd.org

Mark your calendar and make your study plans accordingly!

**Calendar**

- **December 10**
  - Winter Choir Concert, 6 PM in the Mini-Theatre

- **December 10-13**
  - STAAR Make-Ups

- **December 12**
  - Winter Band Concert, 6:30 PM in the Auditorium

- **December 13**
  - Ugly Holiday Sweater Day

- **December 14**
  - Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

- **December 16-19**
  - Final Exams

- **January 3**
  - Winter Break

- **January 6**
  - First Day Back to School
STAAR Retakes This Week

- Tuesday, Dec 10 – English I

- Wednesday, Dec 11 – Algebra and US History

- Thursday, Dec 12 – English II

- Friday, Dec 13 – Biology and Makeups
Westside Student Plays in *Elf the Musical* at Hobby Center

Westside sophomore, Abby Yadan, has been cast in the Children's ensemble of Theatre Under the Stars holiday production of *ELF the Musical*. This is her fourth time participating in a professional production with the theatre. Performance dates are December 7 - December 22nd. Abby is pictured with her friend, Jacob Hurst, who attends school in Katy ISD. Bravo, Abby! Click [here](#) for ticket info.

![Elf the Musical Poster](image)

PSAT Scores Available This Week

The College Board will release PSAT scores this week between December 9th and 11th. Students who provided an email address on their answer sheet will receive an email with a link to their score. Otherwise, students may log in to their personal College Board account to access their scores. For more details, please click [here](#).

**Having trouble accessing your PSAT Score?**

DO NOT create a 2nd College Board account!

Call the College Board Customer Service Line: 866-756-7346
Galveston Bay Foundation

Shout-out to Coach Boles and Ms. McElveen for arranging a special presentation by the Galveston Bay Foundation for their Aquatic Science classes. Classroom activities were facilitated by a guest speaker and included dissection of wetland plants and discussion of a watershed/wetland model.
PTO Needs YOU!

Cookies, brownie, and dessert donations are needed for the Winter Holiday Teacher Appreciation Lunch on Tuesday, December 17th. Please drop off donations between Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning prior to the teacher luncheon. Volunteers are also needed to assist with set up, serving lunch and take down.

Please click the Sign Up Genius link below to sign up!  
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e4ea9aa2aa4fd0-whspto

WHS PTO NEEDS YOU!

Your WHS PTO Membership dues assists with staff development, building and landscape improvements, College Night, The Back to School Bash, the Magnet Showcase, field trips, scholarships, and so much more! If you have not joined, please go to https://westsidehighto.wixsite.com/whspto. If you have not heard from the PTO and signed up, please let us know so we can check our information.

FOR SENIOR PARENTS:

Attention Senior Parents! The deadline to join the PTO has been extended to December 19th!

If you are a member of the PTO by December 19th, your child will be eligible to apply for a $1000 from the WHS PTO Spirit Scholarship. Applications will be available for pick up in April. Don't Delay - Join TODAY!!  
https://westsidehighto.wixsite.com/whspto
Important FAFSA Reminder for Senior Parents

Senior Parents—Get the FAFSA/TASFA completed ASAP! Over 60% of our students qualify for FREE money from the government for school—do not walk away from free money! This is an important step to helping fund your college and putting yourself in the best position possible for maximum aid.

The Texas priority deadline for completing the FAFSA is quickly approaching—It is January 15th! Both you and your student should start by creating an FSAID. This is a username and password that you will use to sign the government’s documents electronically and it is based on your Social Security number. If a parent does not have a Social Security number, but the student does, they are still eligible for the FAFSA. Once the FSAID has been created for the student and the parent, use this information to log in to complete the FAFSA at FAFSA.gov. The application is for the school year 2020-2021 (the year the student needs aid).

The following information is required to complete the FAFSA:

- Student and Parent tax information (1040 returns and w-2 forms)
- Date parents married/ separated/ divorced/ widowed
- Social Security numbers for student and parents
- Date of Birth for student and parents

Have additional questions? Check out www.fafsahouston.org or contact the College Center for support:
713-556-5257

HEY, GUESS WHAT?
It’s almost time for...
ALUMNI BREAKFAST
SPREAD THE WORD!
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10TH
8:00 AM @ LEARNING COMMONS
Announcements

Chick Fil A Leadership Academy is sponsoring

Casa de Ezperanza

Help us collect the following items:
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Kleenex
- Kitchen trash bags
- Ziploc bags
- Diapers
  (All sizes, especially 4,5,6)
- Baby wipes

The items you donate will help children whose families are affected by abuse, poverty, homelessness and mental illness.

Take them to Ms. Gonzalez in room E130

It's a great day to be a Wolf!

JROTC Holiday Toy Drive

Donate a NEW UNWRAPPED Toy

Donation boxes in Houses & Main Office
Announcements

FRESHMAN CLASS SPIRIT SHIRTS
PRESALE

FRESHMAN STUDENT COUNCIL WILL BE SELLING FRESHMAN CLASS SPIRIT SHIRTS FOR $15. SALES ARE DURING LUNCH ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY.

Class of 2020 Scholarship List

https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/171983
Announcements

Westside's
Ugly Holiday Sweater Day
DECEMBER 13

CLASS OF 2020
JOIN PTO BY DECEMBER 19
To Be Eligible to Apply for the PTO Spirit Scholarship

Five $1000 Scholarships will be awarded at Senior Honors Night
https://westsidehighpto.wixsite.com/whspto
Announcements

Do you have the Wolf Bell Schedule??

A quick and effortless way to view the bell schedule on your browser in a single click.

Created by one of our very own wolves!!

Saturday Tutorials
December 14th

9-10 AM
10-11 AM
11 AM-12 Noon

Bring ID’s, laptops, and assignments!
No hoodies please!
Announcements

**VIPS**

Do you plan to VOLUNTEER this year?

Athletics ~ Band
PTO ~ Field Trips ~ T-Pro

- You must be cleared through HISD
- Renewal required every year

Click [here](#) to get cleared!

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**Does your student need some extra help?**

Send them to tutorials!

Click [here](#) for the Westside Tutorials Schedule

They may attend any teacher’s session to suit their own schedule.

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Go to [schoolpay.com](http://schoolpay.com) to pay your school fees online!

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