

Parent Workshop at Westside on Thursday Evening: Affirmations; Our Words & Actions

Save the date! On Thursday, May 2nd, from 5:30-6:30 PM in S100, Westside will be hosting HISD's Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Department to present Affirmations: Our Words & Actions.

Families will learn fun and intentional strategies from these models:

- Love & Logic
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Logical Consequences

The goal is to help build students' self-esteem while encouraging desired behavior and promoting a strong positive parent/ adolescent relationship. Parents will leave with activities to implement right away.

HISD's Family & Community Engagement Department values parents as partners and is dedicated to building intentional partnerships to advance student achievement by promoting a welcoming environment, honoring families, and linking activities to learning. April 29, 2019

<u>Calendar</u>

April 29-May 3 Staff Appreciation Week

May 2

Parent Workshop: Affirmations: Our Words and Actions!, 5:30-6:30 PM, S100

Indoor Color-Guard & Percussion Showcase, 6:30 PM, Lego Gym

NHS Induction Ceremony, 7 PM, Auditorium

May 4 Saturday Tutorials, 9 AM-12 Noon

Prom, 8 PM-12:30 AM, Omni Houston Westside Hotel

May 5

After-Prom Party, 1-5 AM, Dave & Busters at Marquee/Katy Freeway

May 6-9 STAAR Testing

May 6-17 AP Testing

Engagement EMPOWERING FAMILIES. ADVANCING LEARNING.

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Family and Community

AP Testing Starts Next Week

AP Testing begins on Monday, May 6th and runs for two weeks through May 17th.

Important Notes for Testers:

- Arrive at 7:30 AM in the Gym for morning tests
- On STAAR Days, students taking an afternoon test should arrive in the Gym at 11:30 AM
- On non-STAAR Days, students taking an afternoon exam should bring a lunch from home and will be dismissed from class in time for a quick lunch break before the AP exam begins.
- Leave phones at home or in car

STAAR Late Start for Non-Testers

Bell Schedule is being finalized and will be shared soon via:

- School Messenger
 - FaceBook
 - Instagram
 - Twitter
 - School Website

Week 1	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon 12 noon	Week 2	Morning 8 a.m.	Afternoon	Afternoon
Monday, May 6, 2019	United States Government and Politics	Chinese Language and Culture Environmental Science			12 noon	2 p.m.
			Monday, May 13, 2019	Biology	Physics C: Mechanics	Physics C: Electricity and
Tuesday, May 7, 2019	Seminar Spanish Language and Culture	Japanese Language and Culture Physics 1: Algebra-Based				Magnetism
			Tuesday, May 14, 2019	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Art History Human Geography	
Wednesday, May 8, 2019	English Literature and Composition	European History French Language and Culture				
			Wednesday, May 15, 2019	English Language and Composition	Italian Language and Culture	
Thursday, May 9, 2019	Chemistry Spanish Literature	German Language and Culture			Macroeconomics	-
	and Culture	Psychology	Thursday,	Comparative Government and Politics World History	Statistics	
Friday, May 10, 2019	United States History	Computer Science Principles Physics 2: Algebra-Based	May 16, 2019			
	Studio Art-last day for coordinators to submit digital portfolios (by 8 p.m. ET) and to gather 2-D Design and Drawing students for physical assembly. Teachers should have forwarded students' completed digital portfolios to coordinators before this date.		Friday, May 17, 2019	Microeconomics Music Theory	Computer Science A Latin	

2019 AP Exam Schedule Weeks 1 and 2

STAAR Tests Next Week

STAAR

US History Monday, May 6

Algebra 1 Tuesday, May 7

Biology Wednesday, May 8

Important Notes for Testers:

- Plan ahead to get a good night of rest
- Arrive on-time for the first bell at 8:20 AM.
- Bring two sharpened #2 pencils
- If a student has a conflict with a STAAR and AP Test scheduled at the same time, the student should take the AP Test and take the STAAR on make-up day.

Important Notes for Parents:

No visitors will be permitted on campus during testing

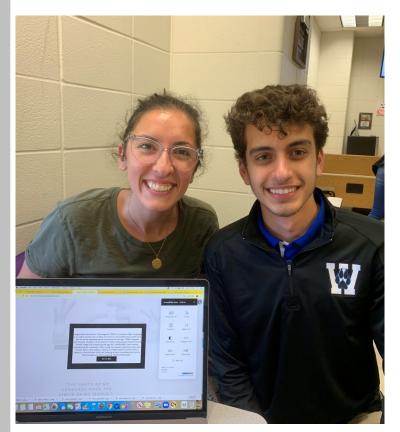
- No lunch drop-offs during testing
- No early pick-ups/dismissals during testing

HISD Superintendent and Board of Education Scholarship Award

Presented to: Jaelyn Taylor



Student as Teacher



Last week, Westside's American Sign Language teacher, Jessica Darvishi, was in a bind completing an assignment for a class she is taking towards her Master's Degree. She is developing website content that must be 100% accessible for the Deaf/Blind community. Ms. Darvishi faced a significant coding challenge and sought out assistance from Westside coding student Brennan Rouhana.

Brennan introduced Ms. Darvishi to a widget that easily solves the coding challenge. Even her professor found the widget to be a game-changer in their work.

Ms. Darvishi says of Brennan, "He is a genius", and shared that he is avidly assisting her as he wants to help provide accessible web content for diverse communities.

1st Annual Westside HS Softball Egg Hunt: The Varsity and JV teams both participated in an egg hunt on the softball field on last week. Michelle Rojas, Nailah Haywood, Alyssa Woods, Clarisa Zapata, and Autumn Johnson were the lucky players to find the hidden GOLDEN EGGS! Thanks, Coach Chelsea Boles!

Softball Egg Hunt

Wolf Band Program Makes History

By Mr. Jerry Gonzalez

This year the Wolf Band has earned the unique distinction of being awarded the Grand Sweepstakes from the University Interscholastic League (UIL) for the first time in the school's history. This is a result of the Wolf Band earning a First Division at UIL Region Marching Contest in the Fall, in combination with Wind Ensemble's First Division ratings at UIL Concert & Sightreading. All this is topped off with the Westside Jazz Ensemble earning a First Division at the Waltrip "Jazz@1900" Contest, rounding out the competitive season for the schoolyear.

This distinction is the "Triple Crown" of the band world, where earning top ratings at these competitions is the most desirable (and rarest) outcome possible.

Congrats to the Wolf Band students and their Directors—Joey Brunson, Jerry Gonzalez, and Jeremiah Salisbury.







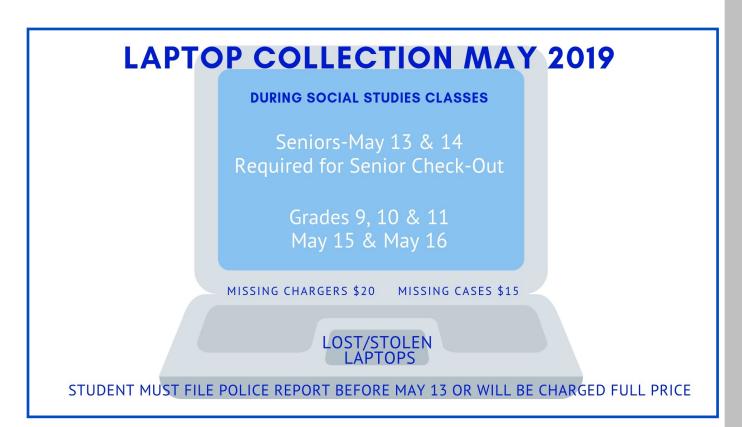
Prairie Visitors



Thank you to our HISD District VI Trustee, Holly Flynn Vilaseca, for taking time to visit the Wolf Prairie. Our Environmental Science teachers, Ms. Klein and Mr. Spence, had an opportunity to explain the prairie program and the addition of a wetlands component through a grant from Artist's Boat, in partnership with our PTO.



April 29-May 3 preciation D **Thank You Teachers & Staff!**





St. Joseph Medical Center

Summer Volunteers

We hope to have you join the ranks of our volunteer family, providing services that assist in the care and well-being of patients and their families.

Junior Volunteer program

- Students between the ages of 15 years 17 years
 - Interest in pursuing a career in healthcare
 - June 10 July 25, 2019
- One-week break July 1-5 to enjoy the Fourth of July

Click here for the application





FINAL EXAMS SPRING 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20	21	22	Block 23 Schedule	Block 24 Schedule
Regular Schedule 1 st - 7 th	Regular Schedule 1 st - 7 th	Regular Schedule 1 st - 7 th	1st 8:30 - 9:35 3rd 9:40 - 11:40 Lunch 11:45 - 12:35 5 ^{rh} 12:40 - 2:40 7 ^{rh} 2:45 - 4:00 Senior exams 3 rd and 5 th Periods	(Classes are not in order!) 1st Period 8:30 - 9:35 4th 9:40 -11:40 Lunch 11:45-12:35 6th 12:40-2:40 2nd 2:45-4:00 Senior exams 4 th and 6 th Periods
27 Memorial Day	Exam Modified Exam Schedule 1st 8:30-9:15 2nd 9:20-10:00 2rd 9:20-10:45		3 rd & 4 th Period EXAMS ^{3rd Period Exam (8:30-10:30) 4th Period Exam (10:40-12:40) 9th, 10th, 11th grade Lunch & Buses 1:00}	5 th & 6 th Period Exams 5 th Period Exam (8:30-10:30) 6 th Period Exam (10:40-12:40) 9 th , 10 th , 11 th grade Lunch & Buses 1:00 Grad Rehearsal Last day of Instruction



HISD STEM



Two-Week Summer Camp

Grades 3 through 12 June 10-13 & 17-21

Click here for details!



 TIME: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

 ADDRESS: 14703 Eagle Vista Drive

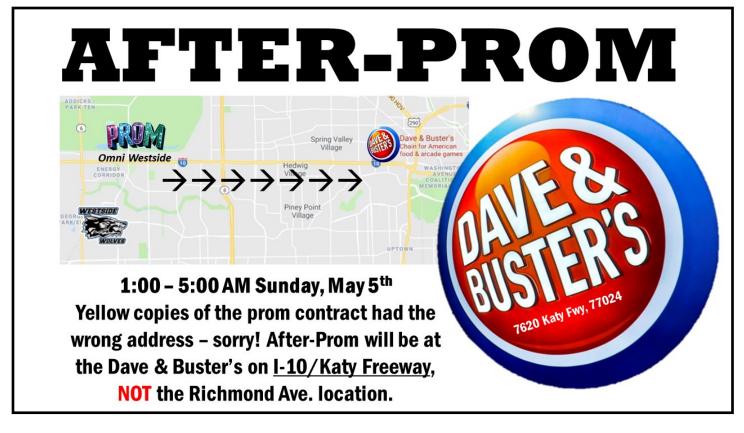
 Houston, TX 77077

 ****Must be at least 16 years of age or older.





It's Time! AND CHECK Please return all Library Books to the LC! VITH SEE IF YOU HAVE FINES TO PAY



PTO Needs You!

By Michel Hinton & Kathy Stallings, PTO Co-Presidents

We need you!!! Our Nominating Committee is on the look-out for parents who have a little bit of time, coupled with their talents, to serve on the PTO. We have several positions open on the Executive committee, which meets twice a year in addition to the regularly scheduled PTO meetings. Committee openings include Homecoming, Welcome and Recruiting, First Day Packets, Teacher Appreciation, Fundraising and assisting with College Center and AP events.

Contact Whsptovolunteers@gmail.com

for more information or to sign up! If you have a little bit of time to give, we would love to have you! Volunteer opportunities are available nights and weekends as well as during the school day.





Volunteers Needed Prom and After-Prom

Come join the fun at the "Galaxy Gala." Prom will be May 4 from 8 PM-12:30 AM at the Omni Houston Hotel Westside (13210 Katy Fwy) and After-Prom from 1-5:30 AM at Dave & Busters (7620 Katy Fwy). Shifts are available for your convenience. Sign up for one or all night—ALL help is appreciated.

Thank you for your support of Class of 2019! Questions? Contact:

Sarah Castro shfcastro@gmail.com or

Kathy Stallings kbstallings@gmail.com

PTO & Alumni Scholarship Applications Open

Applications for the 2019 PTO and Alumni Scholarships are now available on the PTO website. Remember to give your teachers plenty of notice for recommendations. All materials must be in by May 1.

PTO membership is required for the Spirit Scholarship. Click here for application:

PTO Spirit Scholarship

Alumni & Friends Challenge Scholarship is open to all seniors. PTO membership is not required. Click here for application:

Alumni & Friends Challenge Scholarship

The PTO Spirit Scholarships and Alumni & Friends Challenge Scholarships will be presented at Senior Awards Night on May 16. Get your applications in now! The deadline is May 1, 2019!

Senior Countdown

Prom: "Galaxy Gala"

May 4 8 PM-12:30 AM Omni Houston Hotel Westside After-Prom 1-5AM Dave & Buster's Katy Frwy

Volunteers Needed: <u>shfcastro@gmail.com</u>

Senior Honors Night

(By Invitation) May 16 6:30-8:30 PM Auditorium

Senior Week

May 29 Senior Check Out, 1-3 PM @LC May 30 Panoramic Picture, 8:30 AM @ Gym

May 30 Grad March, 10:30 AM @ Elem. Schools

May 31 Grad Rehearsal, 8:30 AM @ Commons

May 31 Senior Picnic, 11 AM-1 PM, Back Fields

Graduation Ceremony

June 8 3 PM at NRG Stadium



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