



WOLF E-NEWS

from Westside High School

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Prairie Wetlands Grand Opening

May 28 , 2019

Last week, the Environmental Science program celebrated the grand opening of the new wetlands feature in the Wolf Prairie. Ms. Klein, Mr. Spence and their group of dedicated students hosted the event, which was attended by Principal Stewart, West Area Superintendent Dr. James McSwain, and District VI School Board Trustee Hol-

ly Flynn Vilaseca. Guests included representatives from the sponsoring organization, Artist Boat, and other partners, contributors, and area school Principals and science teachers.

The Wolf Prairie is a restoration area and acts as an outdoor classroom and lab.

See page 6 for more photos



L-R: Mr. Spence, Ms. Klein, Ms. Stewart, Ms. Vilaseca, and Dr. McSwain

Calendar

May 29-May 31
Final Exams for
Grades 9-11

Senior Week, see
page 18 for details

May 31
Last Day of School

Last Day for HISD
Transfer Applications

June 4
Late Registration
Summer School

June 5-July 3
Summer School

June 8
Class of 2019 Gradu-
ation Ceremony,
3 PM at NRG
Stadium

Last Week: Bell Schedule & Final Exams

Westside High School Spring 2019 Final Exam Schedule

UNIFORM / DRESS CODE POLICY IS IN EFFECT THROUGH THE END OF SCHOOL!

Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31
	7 th Period Exam	1st and 2nd Period EXAMS	3 rd & 4 th Period EXAMS	5 th & 6 th Period Exams	
	Modified Exam Schedule				
	1 st 8:30-9:15	1 st Period Exam (8:30-10:30)	3 rd Period Exam (8:30-10:30)	5 th Period Exam (8:30-10:30)	
	2 nd 9:20-10:00	2 nd Period Exam (10:40-12:40)	4 th Period Exam (10:40-12:40)	6 th Period Exam (10:40-12:40)	
	3 rd 10:05-10:45 (ADA 10:15)				
	4 th 10:50-11:30				
	Lunch 11:35-12:25				
	5 th 12:30-1:10				
	6 th 1:15-1:55				
7 th 2:00-4:00					
	ALL grade levels 7 th exam		9 th , 10 th , 11 th grade	9 th , 10 th , 11 th grade	
		Lunch & Buses 1:00	Lunch & Buses 1:00	Lunch & Buses 1:00	
		*Senior check out 1:00-3:00		Grad Rehearsal Last day of Instruction	

Farewell to Mr. Disch



We at Westside would like to wish Mr. Scott Disch, our Instructional Coordinator, congratulations and farewell! Mr. Disch is leaving Westside to become the new Principal of West University Elementary School.

Dear Mr. Disch,

Thank you for your service to Westside High School. Your dedication to the students and faculty is appreciated and you will be missed. We wish you all the best as you embrace this new career opportunity. Sorry...there's no student parking lot at elementary school...we're sure you're going to miss it .

Remember, once a Wolf always a Wolf! Come back and visit.

With Best Wishes from Westside

Westside Alum Offering \$10,000 in Wolf Scholarships

Shannon Shorter (Westside Class of 2007) has found success in life, despite growing up with a few obstacles in his path. He grew up in Alief in a single-parent home and attended high school here at Westside. With encouragement from teachers and mentors, he defied the odds of his modest upbringing and got a Communications degree from the University of North Texas. He went on to become a professional international basketball player and has enjoyed a busy career for the last seven years. He has played in many countries around the world, including Mexico, Argentina, Israel, Japan and China .

Shannon is motivated by a sense of responsibility to give back to his community. He co-founded "It's Only Right" (IOR), a foundation formed to give underprivileged families a helping hand. He is guided by his favorite quote from the Bible, "If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them". He says, "If you know the right thing to do when it comes to serving others, do it."

This spring, Shannon is offering \$1000 scholarships to ten Wolves in the Class of 2019. He wants to help students who have served their community, and have shown determination and hunger to further their education. His goal is to send the message, "I believe in you", to kids who need a springboard or a push to strive for their dreams.

Click [here](#) to read details and requirements, and download the application. The deadline is May 30th.

It's Only Right
Foundation Scholarships

Class of 2019

\$1000 Scholarships
For
TEN WESTSIDE WOLVES

Click [HERE](#) to Apply!

- Requirements
- Application

Deadline: May 30th



Shannon Shorter, Westside Class of 2007

Special Olympics : Basketball State Competition

Last week, a team of Westside students participated in the Special Olympics Basketball State Competition on the UT campus in Arlington. Ms. Kodlubanska, Ms. Suleimanji, Coach Deon Williams and parent coach William Sam escorted our students on the 4-day trip.

Among the hundreds of athletes from around the state of Texas, Westside's delegation included 18 students from our Skills for Lifelong Learning (SLL) and Structured Learning Center (SLC) classes. Some athletes compete in the team

basketball tournament, others participate in the individual skills competition. Each practices and prepares and strives for improvement.

Ms. Kodlubanska points out that sports is very satisfying for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Even though it is adapted, it feels real and is fulfilling for the athletes. She shared that the annual trip is a highlight of the year for the students, "Something to look forward to; compete, have fun, make lasting friendships, and grow in independence and sportsmanship."



Special Olympics: Basketball State Competition



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Showcase of Excellence in Instruction

Westside was selected to participate in a Texas Education Agency (TEA) program to develop a lesson that will be posted for use by other Texas teachers from across the state. English 1 teachers Gigi George, Emily Gelsinger, Kendra Johnson, and Travis Koneschik worked with Scott Disch, Westside's Instructional Coordinator, along with Dean Edith Gonzalez, to design the lesson which focused on identifying and analyzing character foils in literature. The group was facilitated by Ms. Mendy Wandling from TEA Region 4.

About 270 freshmen participated in the lesson, which included assessments. Additional elements of formal observations and student interviews are used to develop the finished product.

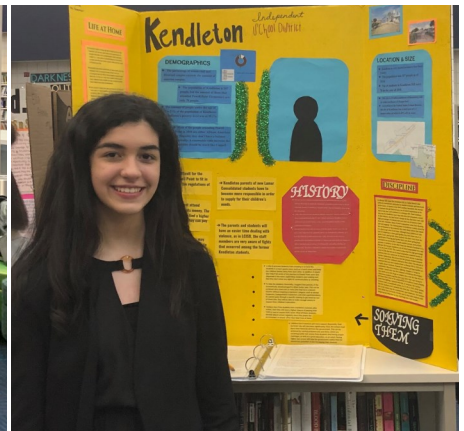


English 2 Presents District Improvement Plans

On May 21, Ms. Dummar's and Ms. Hebert's Pre-AP English 2 students presented district improvement proposals for failed school districts (past and present) in the state of Texas.

Students were assigned a district and developed improvement plans based on four weeks of research, data analysis, and analytical writing. They studied successful districts to learn about best practices and possible solutions.

In addition to writing a research paper (most 12-25 pages long!), they showcased their findings on trifold display boards and gave oral presentations which included a Q & A element.





Sign Up for Summer College Tours



College Readiness - Summer College Trips

Students and parents are invited to attend college tours scheduled throughout June. Please review the information for each trip and use the registration link to hold your spot! Space is limited. Lunch is provided.

Date	Pick Up Location	College Visiting	Pick up Time	Drop-Off Time	Focus Area	Target Students	Registration Link
6/6/2019	Hattie Mae White ESC 4400 W. 18 th Street Houston, TX 77092	Prairie View	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	OPEN - accepted students with financial aid award packages	Class of 19 students who are going to enroll at PVU	bit.ly/NSO_PVAM_2019
6/18/2019	East Field Office 1102 Telephone Rd. Houston, TX 77023 Hattie Mae White ESC 4400 W. 18 th Street Houston, TX 77092	Huston Tillotson & St. Edwards University	6:30 AM	7:30 PM	Westbury, Chavez, Northside, Houston, Heights, Austin	Class of 20	bit.ly/HT_SEU_EFO_2019 bit.ly/HT_SEU_HMW_2019
6/18/2019	Hattie Mae White ESC 4400 W. 18 th Street Houston, TX 77092	University of North Texas	6:00 AM	8:30 PM	Open to all HISD high schools	Class of 20	bit.ly/UNT_2019
6/19/2019	East Field Office 1102 Telephone Rd. Houston, TX 77023	Texas A&M	8:30 AM	6:30 PM	South and East Region high schools	Top 25%, Class of 20	bit.ly/TXAM_EFO_2019
6/26/2019	Hattie Mae White ESC 4400 W. 18 th Street Houston, TX 77092	UT Austin	8:00 AM	6:30 PM	Open to all HISD high schools	Top 25%, Class of 20	bit.ly/HISD_UT_2019
6/27/2019	Hattie Mae White ESC 4400 W. 18 th Street Houston, TX 77092	Texas A&M	8:30 AM	6:30 PM	North and West Region high schools	Top 25%, Class of 20	bit.ly/TXAM_HMW_2019

*Hello
Summer!*

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FRIDAY MAY 31
RELAX AND ENJOY YOUR BREAK



Where Are They Now?

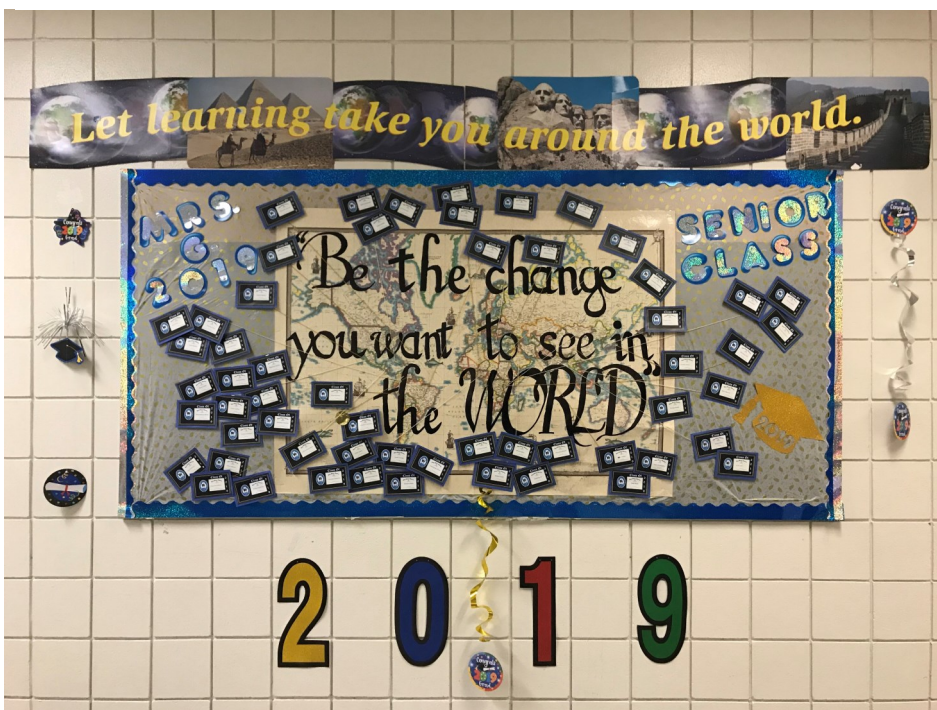
Four former Westside students graduated from their year-long internships at Dow Chemical on May 23rd, 2019. Two were hired at Dow! Congratulations to Johnathan Fuentes, Juan Herrera, Maha Tayyab, and Robert Sheppard. We are so proud of you!

HISD Project Search at Dow is a transition program on the continuum of services with Houston ISD. Thank you to Amanda Mollet, Transition Coach at Westside and Dow, and Sylvia Romo, Employment Representative at Westside, for supporting our students and their transition to independence!

Pictured Left -Right: Johnathan Fuentes, Juan Herrera, Maha Tayyab, and Robert Sheppard



Where Are They From?



Members of the graduating Class of 2019 hail from all over the globe! Dean Edith Gonzalez and her students created this bulletin board to represent the Westside Wolves from her special "Newcomers" program who will graduate this year. Congratulations to our International Wolves and best wishes as you continue your journey into the future!

Announcements



**STUDENTS, DID YOU RECEIVE AN “NG”
FOR THE FALL 2018 OR SPRING 2019?**

ATTENDANCE APPEAL

9TH – 11TH GRADERS

JUNE 10 – 14

JUNE 17 - 20

9:00 – 11:00

Students will attend attendance appeal in S100 to clear all “NGs” for qualified classes. Each student will complete one quiz for every hour he/she needs. You MUST bring a report card. Please see Ms. Williams in North 2 for details.



ATTENDANCE APPEAL

2018 -19

June 10 -14

June 17 - 20

**BRING YOUR
REPORT CARD!**

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

14201 Briarforest
Houston, Texas 77077

For more information,
contact

Cheryl Williams

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Or (713) 556-5248

Announcements

SEE YOUR DEAN
REGISTRATION STARTED

June 5-July 3 Monday-Thursday

SUMMER SCHOOL

AT WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL





WESTSIDE CODING CAMP

JUNE 10-13 9:00AM - 12:30PM
FOR INCOMING WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

DESIGN A GAME


PROGRAM A ROBOT

REGISTER ONLINE. SPOTS ARE LIMITED!
REGISTRATION CLOSES MAY 25

\$75 INCLUDES SNACKS AND A CODING CAMP T-SHIRT
PROCEEDS GO TO WESTSIDE IT PROGRAM

Cancelled

Announcements





Wolf Camp 2019

For incoming 9th graders
Friday, August 16th

Westside school ID required to attend
Get your ID during Open ID Days (TBA)
Drop off/pick up in student parking lot
behind school

No drop-offs in front circle drive

**7:30 AM-
1 PM**



New students coming into 10th, 11th & 12th grade

New to Westside Welcome

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15
1:00 PM IN THE MINI-THEATRE

Meet the Principal, Tour the School
Q & A Time with Mentors



Announcements

HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Healthy Summer Meals

**When school ends,
no-cost summer meals begin.**

Breakfast and lunch available
to kids ages 1-18 at no cost.

JUNE 5 – JULY 3

For a meal near you visit,
HoustonISD.org/Summermeals
or call **713.491.5944**.

HISD | **Nutrition Services**
WE SOLVE. WE SERVE. WE NOURISH.



Announcements

SummerCamps

Workouts & Tryouts

FOR WESTSIDE STUDENTS
& COMMUNITY YOUTH

[Click here for a detailed list of offerings!](#)

Wolfpack Youth Wrestling Summer Camp



June 3-5

At Westside HS

Click [here](#) for details and registration form

HISD Fine Arts Camps June 3-27

- Grades 3-5
- Grades 6-8
- High School

Click [here](#) for details and registration

Westside teacher,
Mr. Chadwick Gray,
will be teaching the
high school camp.

Announcements

2018 WESTSIDE WOLVES

VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

LOCATION: WESTSIDE HIGH
SCHOOL

COST: \$125

DATES: JULY 23—26

4TH—8TH GRADE CAMP

TIME: 9:00AM—12:00PM

9TH GRADE CAMP

TIME: 1:00PM—4:00PM



FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL aking1@houstonisd.org OR CALL 281-920-8000

TRYOUTS: AUGUST 1ST AND 2ND

Westside High School

Girl's Track & Field

SUMMER 2019 WORKOUTS

JUNE 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, & 26

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

**YOU MUST HAVE A CURRENT
PHYSICAL ON FILE WITH COACH
LAWSON IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE
IN SUMMER WORKOUTS.**

**Westside High School will provide athletic
physicals for \$25 on May 23rd from 5PM - 7PM.**





Class of 2019 Announcements

Parent Volunteers Needed

Senior Picnic

May 31st

Contact:

Corinn Rich at

corinn.rich@yahoo.com

or

Kathy Stallings

kbstallings@gmail.com

or

[https://www.signupgenius.com/
go/70A0E4EA9AA2AA4FD0-senior](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E4EA9AA2AA4FD0-senior)



Seniors: Donate your school uniforms!

BRING YOUR WASHED/FOLDED
UNIFORMS ON FRIDAY AND
DROP OFF IN COLLECTION BOXES
WHEN YOU CHECK IN FOR
GRAD REHEARSAL

SENIOR WEEK

Wednesday, May 29th: **Senior Check-Out** in the library, 1–3 PM,
you'll receive cap/gown! See the College Center with questions.

Thursday, May 30th: **Panoramic Picture** in the gym, 8:30 AM
(*wear your gown, but no cap!*), followed by the **Grad March** at
local elementary schools. See Ms. Eller in L201 with questions.

Friday, May 31st: **Graduation Rehearsal** in the cafeteria, 8:30 AM

Friday, May 31st: **Senior Picnic** in the far field back behind the
track, 11 AM–1 PM

CLASS OF 2019



Class of 2019 Announcements



SENIORS, DID YOU RECEIVE AN "NG" THIS SPRING, 2019?

SENIOR ATTENDANCE APPEAL

MAY 28TH, 29TH, 30TH, 31ST

1:00 – 4:00

Seniors will attend attendance appeal in the computer room to clear all "NGs" for qualified classes. Each student will complete one quiz for every hour he/she needs. Please see Ms. Williams in North 2 for details.



**ATTENDANCE
APPEAL**

SENIORS ONLY

MAY 28 – 31, 2019

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SCHOOL**

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Senior Countdown

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

NRG Stadium

Class of 2019
Graduation

3:00 PM

Saturday, June 8th

NRG Stadium



Invite as many guests as you want! There are no tickets and there will be plenty of room for all your friends and family.

SCHOOL STORE HOURS



8 AM-First Bell
AND
During Lunch

Click [here](#) for uniform policy and product list
Only Cash & Money Order Accepted
No Returns No Exchanges



Do you plan to
VOLUNTEER this year?

Athletics, Band,
PTO, T-Pro, Field Trips

**You must be cleared
through HISD**

Click [here](#) to get cleared!

School Office Hours

8:00 AM- 4:30 PM

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- Art Fee
- Band Fee
- Baseball Fee
- Basketball (Girl's) Fee
- Choir Fee
- Cross Country Fee
- Football Fee
- HOSA Fee
- Inertia Fee
- Orchestra Fee
- Power Up
- Senior Dues
- Tennis Fee
- Theater Fee

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