

Principal's Corner



As we wind down this semester, I want to take this opportunity to thank you and your family for choosing Lamar. It is a privilege and a joy to do this work, and your support means so much.

Over the next few months I will continue to share the "behind the scenes" look at the work we are doing to prepare for the new building. I want to start in January with some of the features that enhance safety, as well as the processes we take to develop safety plans.

Please continue to share your questions through an SDMC member, the PTO, or the easiest route, is to simply email those questions to me. I am sure others have the same wonderings, and it will help me share information you want.

We will provide a calendar of upcoming events next week for the first week of January, but will likely not have a full newsletter.

Good luck with finals next week and best wishes for a well-deserved holiday!

Finals Bell Schedule

Monday, December 17th

- Period 2 8:40 AM - 10:40 AM
- Period 1 10:50 AM - 12:50 PM
- Lunch 12:50 AM - 1:00 PM
- **Buses Leave 1:00 PM**

Tuesday, December 18th

- Period 6 8:40 AM - 10:40 AM
- Period 5 10:50 AM - 12:50 PM
- Lunch 12:50 AM - 1:00 PM
- **Buses Leave 1:00 PM**

Wednesday, December 19th

- Period 3 8:40 AM - 10:40 AM
- Period 4 10:50 AM - 12:50 PM
- Lunch 12:50 PM - 1:00 PM
- **Buses Leave 1:00 PM**

UPCOMING
EVENTS

- Mon. Dec. 17th-Finals
- Tues. Dec. 18th-Finals
- Varsity Girls BB vs Grand Oaks HS (Lamar) @ 5 pm
- Freshmen/JV Girls BB vs Grand Oaks (Lamar) 2 pm/ 3:30 pm
- Wed. Dec. 19th-Finals
- Thurs. Dec. 20th-Finals
- Students last day
- Fri. Dec. 21st-Teacher Work Day
- Last Day of Semester
- Varsity Swim vs St. Agnes/Strake Jesuit (Lamar) @ 9 am
- Freshmen/JV Girls BB vs Clearbrook (Lamar) 2 pm/ 3:30 pm
- Varsity Girls BB vs Clearbrook (Lamar) @ 5 pm
- Sat. Dec. 22nd-Winter Holiday Break Begins
- Mon. Dec. 24-Winter Break
- Tues. Dec. 25th-Winter Break
- Wed. Dec. 26th-Winter Break
- Thurs. Dec. 27th-Winter Break
- Girls Varsity BB Barbers Hill Invitational Tournament (TBA) TBA
- Fri. Dec. 28th-Winter Break
- Girls Varsity BB Barbers Hill Invitational Tournament (TBA) TBA
- JV Boys Basketball Milby Tournament (TBA) TBA

Thursday, December 20th

- Period 7 8:40 AM - 10:40 AM
 - Period 8 10:50 AM - 12:50 PM
 - Lunch 12:50 PM - 1:00 PM
 - **Buses Leave 1:00 PM**
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Credit Appeal Saturday

Date: Saturday, December 15th

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Where: Cafeteria

Yearbooks

Parents and students be advised that senior pictures are due on the 31st of December. Schedule your appointment today with Prestige Portraits by calling (281) 277-3900. You can also visit their location at:

Prestige Portraits, 13801 Southwest Fwy, Sugar Land, TX 77478

The yearbooks are on sale for \$95 until January 15th, afterwards the price will increase. You can purchase the yearbook on schoolpay:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lamar-Yearbook-20182019-Price-before-Jan/leiMP?mip=McHW> or you can purchase adds by using Balfour's link:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lamar-Yearbook-20182019-Price-before-Jan/leiMP?mip=McHW>

Senior ads are listed below:

Full-Page Ad is \$480

½ Page Ad is \$250

¼ Page Ad is \$130

1/8 Page Ad is \$75

Please send 12 preferred images you would like to feature in your ad, along with any other additional information to csmith41@houstonisd.org

Annual Lamar China Trip

June 6th - 20, 2019

See Beautiful, Scenic China!

- Sat. Dec. 29th
- Girls Varsity BB Barbers Hill Invitational Tournament (TBA) TBA
- JV Boys Basketball Milby Tournament (TBA) TBA
- Varsity Boys Soccer vs Spring HS (Spring HS) @ 12 noon
- JV Boys Soccer vs Spring HS (Spring HS) @ 10 am

Enjoy 2 fun-filled weeks visiting China with the Lamar High School group. You don't have to take Chinese to come with us. This is our 20th year.

*You can optionally earn a semester of History credit by going with us and doing a project! What a great opportunity to see China and receive a credit at Lamar. Enjoy a homestay with a student host at our sister school in Dalian, China. Visit Beijing, Xi'an, Dalian, and Huhhot, Inner Mongolia. You will see the Terracotta Warriors where the tomb of the first emperor of China is buried, see Beijing where you will walk The Great Wall and see the Summer Palace, see the sights, bargain in the shopping markets so famous for bargaining for designer duds and true Chinese articles. Finally, you will visit Inner Mongolia where you will tour the countryside and even stay in a Mongolian special round house call a yurt. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity! Join us! You'll be happy you did!

Cost: \$3,958

Fees will be made to the Lamar Business office. Cash, check, or payment with credit card online is accepted.

See M. Gaido in N128 for all the details.

Bank of America's "Student Leaders"

Be the generation to serve, inspire and change the world

Student Leaders recognizes those who lead and serve in their own communities and beyond. Bank of America will connect Student Leaders to tools and resources that will help them make communities better.

As a Student Leader, you will:

- Work as a paid intern at a local nonprofit for eight weeks
- Attend the week-long Student Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C.
- Develop leadership and career skills
- Connect with like-minded students from your own community and across the country

Juniors and Seniors:

Visit: www.bankofamerica.com/studentleaders to apply

Deadline: February 1, 2019

Cheerleader Fundraiser

The Lamar Texan Cheerleaders are raising money for Competition and their end of the year banquet. If you would like to donate to the cheerleading program, please do so using the SchoolPay link <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lamar-Cheer-Donations/lejfn>

Lamar Wrestling Team

Our Lamar Wrestling Team has started selling Fan Cloth to raise funds for the upcoming season. We would appreciate if you support our wrestlers! All funds go towards equipment, uniforms, tournament fees, and snacks for the team for our very long Saturdays. Please consider purchasing an item from us, thank you for your time and everything you do for our students/athletes.

Here is the link below:

<http://shop.fancloth.com/77098/450930>

Sandy Hook Promise

HISD is partnering with the nonprofit Sandy Hook Promise to launch an anonymous tip line, Say Something, for students and families in 2019.

This program will train students, educators, administrators, and parents/caretakers HOW TO:

- Recognize the signs and signals of at-risk behaviors, especially within social media, of individuals who may be at-risk of hurting themselves or others
- Report at-risk behaviors to a trusted adult, call 911 or anonymously through the Say Something Crisis center phone, app, or website

THE TIP LINE WILL PROVIDE:

- Multilingual operators who provide 24/7 monitoring of all tip submissions
- 24/7 crisis center trained (500 + hours) in suicide intervention and crisis management
- 24/7 crisis center to triage for all calls, app, and web submissions for HISD to identify immediate life safety issues
- Routing of all tips to HISD identified school officials, crisis team, school police and/or local law enforcement

Sandy Hook Promise is a national non-profit committed to creating safe schools and communities through their four evidenced-based Know the Signs intervention programs. To date, SHP has delivered its programs to 7,000 + schools and trained 3.5 million youth and adults in every state. SHP programs have helped stop multiple school shootings, suicides, and gun threats; reduced bullying and cyberbullying; intervened upon cutting, drug use, racial conflicts, and other violent and victimization acts.