The District administered a parent survey last spring to get your feedback on how our schools are doing. We heard two important things from you all about where we can focus our improvement efforts:

- Parents are requesting more communication between teachers and parents.
- Parents are requesting more security methods to avoid student fights.

We also heard that parents responded positively to student academic supports and provided positive feedback for teachers.

One big change to help with the connection between home and school is the installation of four new Parent Engagement Representatives. We are leveraging this strategy to help strengthen our partnership.

**Meet Your Parent Engagement Reps!**

Parent Engagement Representatives are here to streamline your Lamar parent communication needs. Please contact your Parent Engagement Rep for assistance with

- Parent check in contact
  - Each grading cycle, Reps will send out communication to the Lamar Community to get a pulse on parent needs
- VIPS (Volunteers In Public Schools) Coordinator
  - Interested in volunteering? Reps are here to help
- Power School Parent Connect Contact
  - Need help logging into HISD Connect? Contact your Rep
• Maintain data on Parent Communication regarding absences
  o Clerks and Reps contact parents when students are absent. Reps maintain data on this communication
• Parent communication regarding student tardies
  o Tardy calls at 3 & 4 unexcused tardies recorded

Parent Engagement Reps are the bridge between Lamar and our parents. Please reach out to meet your Rep! We are happy to help!

9th Grade – Ms. Trevino  Janet.Trevino@houstonisd.org  713-522-5960 ext 008386
10th Grade – Mr. White  gwhite2@houstonisd.org  713-522-5960 ext 008385
11th Grade – Ms. Rapalo  Ruby.Rapalo@houstonisd.org  713-522-5960 ext 008383
12th Grade - Ms. O'Banner  tobanner@houstonisd.org  713-522-5960 ext 008380

Being on Time is Being Principled

At Lamar we place the highest priorities on safety and academic success. This year we will be reinstating our tardy policy to encourage students to be in all classes on time. Students who are in class on time, and stay there, are demonstrating a willingness and eagerness to learn. As an IB Learner, that is a demonstration of being Principled.

As students have started to find their way around campus, we will being enforcing the tardy policy on Monday. Please review this before Monday.

Tardy Policy

We need all students in class on time every day. When students miss class, they miss valuable information. Tardiness is defined as arriving late to class without an approved permit after the bell rings. It is imperative that students be prompt and prepared for each class.

Students riding HISD school buses are excused if the late arrival of their bus makes them late for class. Students should go to their neighborhood office to sign in on the late bus roster. Students will then be given a late bus pass. This does not apply to Metro buses.

The following consequences for tardiness will begin on Monday, August 29th, 2022.
§ 1st and 2nd = Warning
§ 3rd and 4th = Lunch Detention (30 min.) Parent Contact by Parent Engagement Representative
§ 5th = Parent Contact by Administration
§ 6th = Mandatory Parent Conference, Attendance Contract
§ 7th = Parent Contact by Administration, Administrative Intervention (ISS)

Highlighted Events:

- **Thursday, Aug 25th:** Voter Registration 11:45-12:45 (Transit Center)
- **Monday, Sep 5:** LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL
- **Tuesday, Sep 6:** Open House A-L 6:00-8:00PM
- **Wednesday, Sep 7:** Open House M-Z 6:00-8:00PM

Shout Outs!

**Men's Water Polo**

Ben Garcia Memorial Purple Monkey Tournament champions!
Clear Bag Policy and Dress Code

Some of you may be applauding the move, while I imagine there are others who find this to be an overreach. I would like to provide you with the reasoning. Consistently we have students using their backpacks to bring contraband onto campus. Whether it is something seemingly harmless such as snacks to sell, or items strictly prohibited on school campuses, this becomes a multiplier for other issues such as thefts and fights.

We have seen a significant decline in discipline issues over the last two weeks with a stricter policy around bags, and in light of the ever-growing concern for campus safety, we will implement the clear bag policy and strictly enforce the uniform policy. Students who bring items that are not in compliance with the dress code will be presumed to be donating the items to a local charity.

I am attaching a copy of the dress code policy and the clear bag guidelines. Clear bags and Uniforms.pdf As always, if you need support to ensure your child is in dress code and has an appropriate clear bag, please reach out to our Wrap Around Specialists for assistance - Monica Garcia Jacquet (monica.garciajacquet@houstonisd.org) or Mr. Lynch (Devon.Lynch@houstonisd.org).

Lamar Tutorials

Welcome back students! Need help with those first week of school assignments? Lamar Tutorials may be the place for you! Come join us in Neighborhood 12 B (Paris) on Wednesday from 4:15PM – 5:45PM. Morning tutorials will start August 29th. Please see the tutorial schedule below. Hope to see you there!

FAQ

HISD Transportation -

- Families need to request transportation every year. The assignments do not roll over from the previous year.
- Once the request is made, it may take as long as 2-3 weeks from the date of the request for the transportation department to add a student to the roster if they qualify for the service. Please note, not all zoned or transfer students are eligible for transportation. Please arrange for an alternative form of transportation for your child until you are notified by HISD Transportation Services with your child’s route number and bus stop information.
- The HISD Transportation department creates the routes and assigns the bus stops based on the student demographic page and their primary address listed at
Lamar. Lamar staff members do not have the ability to add a stop to a route or change your child’s route assignment. All bus stops are determined by the Transportation department and students are only permitted to ride their assigned routes.

- If you have questions and would like to know if your child has been assigned to a bus route, please reach out to your child’s neighborhood clerk by grade level.
- If you need to speak to someone in HISD Transportation Services, please call 713-613-3040.
- Should you experience a problem with your route, you may contact Ms. Lawrence at dlawren@houstonisd.org or Dr. Cain at rcain@houstonisd.org.

Garage Parking Permit -

If you missed the deadline to apply for a parking permit, you may still do so to be placed on the waitlist. We expect to begin calling from the waitlist late next week. You may do so at https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/194002

Schedule Change Requests -

Students will have one last opportunity to submit a schedule change request if they have a problem with their schedule. Listen to announcements and watch social media for more information on Thursday of this week. **A note for seniors - we cannot guarantee off campus periods.

Dress Code -

Students should be in dress code daily. Families who are experiencing financial hardship may request assistance through our Wrap Around Specialists. You may contact them at Devon.Lynch@houstonisd.org or Monica.GarciaJacquett@houstonisd.org.

To download a copy of our Dress Code please visit https://www.houstonisd.org/domain/45306

School Store Hours -

The school store will be open Monday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The store accepts cash, credit or debit

Meal Service -

HISD Nutrition Services will continue to deliver free breakfast and lunch service at Lamar. Breakfast is served from carts throughout the building for easy access. Lunch will be available through the Neighborhood Food Distribution areas.

Laptops
The IT team has been working diligently to get students who did not pick up their laptops prior to the start of school their laptops. Laptops have been handed out during lunch in the Grand Hall and the IT team has been traveling to Neighborhoods to help get our students' laptops as quickly as possible. To pick up the laptop students must have the two forms signed by a guardian and have a copy of their receipt of the laptop insurance.

** No personal laptops are allowed on campus. All students must have the HISD device.**

Laptop Forms and Insurance payment

[Insurance Link](#)

[Form Link](#)

If a student's laptop gets lost or stolen the student needs to report the laptop to the IT team within 24 hours. If a laptop is lost on campus the student will report the laptop missing to the IT office and the IT team will work with our HISD police to get a report number. If the laptop is lost off campus then the student will need to get a police report from the police of that town. For example, if a student's laptop get stolen in the city of Austin the student would get a police report number from the Austin Police department and they would bring that report number to the IT office.

**PowerSchool**

If you are having trouble accessing or setting up your PowerSchool account please reach out to your Parent Engagement Rep they can assist you.

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**Canvas**
HISD moved to a new Learning Management System (LMS) over the summer. This new LMS comes with many enhancements that will make the learning process easier for our students. We linked some videos that will be helpful for students and parents on the Lamar webpage that will get students and parents feel more comfortable with some of the new features.

We know with a transition there is always hiccup that arises and Canvas is not an exception to that. We are working on resolving issues some students are having with Canvas and hope to have all the issues resolved by Monday 8.29.22. If your student is still having issues after Monday 8.29.22 please reach out to the IT team at lamartechsupport@houstonisd.org.

If a student has made a request to change their schedule and it was approved it could take up to 48 hours to populate on Canvas after the update was made to the student schedule.

To access Canvas student can go to [Canvas.houstonisd.org](http://Canvas.houstonisd.org).

Technology Office

The technology office is located in N215 (The historical building 2nd floor).

The IT office is open most days from 7:50- first bell, lunch, and from 9 AM -3:45 PM. From 9 AM until 3:45 students must have a pass from their teacher and must be in dress code. For tech support please email: Lamartechsupport@houstonisd.org

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**Bell Schedule**
Lamar High School
An IB World School
Bell Schedule
2022-2023

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A stands for students attending the A session.
B stands for students attending the B session.
### Pep Rally Schedule

Pep Rallies will be in the gym this year, beginning at 7:50 am. Pep Rallies will be on game days, all games included beginning on 8/26. Pep Rally for the Saturday game (Bellaire) on 11/5 will be Friday morning 11/4.

Welcome New Team Members!

Cheer Coach – Amber Campbell
Open House

Open House is September 6th for families with last name is A-L and September 7th for families with the last name M-Z. Stay tuned for more information.

COLLEGE CORNER

College Corner Welcomes New Advisors

The College Corner has some new faces this year. Led by Ms. Gould, College Access Coordinator and Mr. Keaton, College Readiness Manager, the team is here to help all students get off to a successful journey after high school.

Whether you want to gain a trade certificate, get an associates, attend a four-year college or just find the money to make any of those options a reality, the college corner can help. Make an appointment today by reaching out on Teams or by booking a meeting with them by clicking HERE or scanning the QR code. Now…take a moment to read a few words from your new college corner team!

Mr. Keaton
Greetings Texans! I’m Mr. Keaton. I am a proud Texas State graduate with 14 years of experience helping families navigate college admissions and financial aid. I am truly happy to be here and excited to help all of you along your journeys to even greater success after high school!

Hi Texans! My name is Ms. Gould and I am the College Access Coordinator. I am a proud Lamar HS Alumna and I’m excited about working with you all. I attended Sam Houston State University (Eat Em Up Kats!) I am excited to get to know you all and I am here to help you navigate your options after graduation and ensure that you have the tools and resources to prepare for post-secondary success.

**Connect With Us**

The College Corner has a new Instagram account! Follow our new IG [@thelamarcollegecorner](https://www.instagram.com/thelamarcollegecorner) to keep up with new and key information from the college corner. It’s also a great way to connect with colleges, peers, and discover scholarship opportunities.

**SAVE THE DATE….The College Fair is Coming!!!!**

For the first time in four years, Lamar HS will be hosting an in-person college fair! The Lamar HS College Night will be hosted on Monday, October 3 from 6-8 pm. The college fair is open to all Lamar students and families. There will be more than 100 colleges and universities from across the nation in attendance including UT-Austin,
Texas A&M, Texas State, The University of Cincinnati and more. Save the date and make plans to attend.

**SENIORS.....Complete Your Letter of Recommendation Surveys ASAP!**

Applying to out of state or private schools? Many will require counselor recommendations as part of their applications. The college corner can send these out for you but you have to take care of one critical step first.

Download and complete the Recommendation Letter Request Survey found [HERE](#). Upon completion, return it to your academic dean, Ms. Brooks or Mr. Pruitt. The sooner you get this done, the faster we can get all your applications sent to colleges for review. So don’t delay, get your survey done today!
SENIOR 2023 INFORMATION
Lamar High School

Senior Dues

Includes:
Senior Sunrise, Senior Sunset, Monthly Events, Graduation Package
and Senior Gift

Early Bird Special Aug. 22nd- Dec 2nd $90
Dec. 3rd -March 31st $140
Apr. 1st-Jun 9th $160

School Pay Link:
(coming soon)

You can pay with cash in the Business Office

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2023 DATES
October 1, 2022 HOCO Dance
November 15, 2022 Panoramic Photo
November 15, Senior Breakfast
February 26, 2023 LHS Fest
April 15, 2023 Prom
June 2023 Graduation

Yearbook, Panoramic Photo, Prom Ticket, Cap & Gown are NOT
included in Senior Dues

All Cap & Gowns are ordered through HerffJones.com

SENIOR CLASS SPONSOR: Mrs. van Ravenesway ravn@houstanisd.org
Senior Treat Day: September 16th (Transit Center) Come down to the transit center for a sweet treat and receive your class t-shirt.
Student Opportunities and Community News

Join our Community Bulletin Board for featured opportunities students and parents. This site provides an information for high school students to browse local employers offering part-time jobs, internships, scholarships and community events all in one convenient place.

https://wke.lt/w/s/y3PC4F