

HAIS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 6-10, 2023



PEEK AT THE WEEK

National Counseling Week

Monday, February 6, 3:30-4:30: Black History Month practice (cafeteria)

Monday, February 6, 3:30-4:30: SDMC Meeting (virtual)

Monday, February 6, 4:30-7:00: HAIS vs EECHS Soccer Games

Tuesday, February 7, 3:30-4:30pm: Debate (Rm 113); Black History Month (cafeteria)

Tuesday, February 7, 3:30-5:00pm: Boys Soccer Practice

Wednesday, February 8, 3:30-4:30pm: Interact (Rm 132)

Wednesday, February 8, 5:30-6:30pm: Belize Spring 2024 Interest Meeting (RSVP using the link below)

Thursday, February 9, 3:30-4:30pm: Debate (Rm 113)

Thursday, February 9, 3:30-5:00: Girls Soccer Practice

Friday, February 10, 8:00-9:00am: Class of 2023 Ranking Ceremony

Friday, February 10: G/T Testing (Makeup Day)

Saturday, February 11, 9:00-12:00pm: Basketball Playoff games at DeBaKey

There are **no after school** activities on Fridays



UPCOMING

- Feb 13-17: Black History Month Spirit Week
- Feb 15: CIEE Application Workshop (AVID)
- Feb 16: CIEE Application Workshop (Interested Students)
- Feb 16: Family & Community Black History Month Celebration
- Feb 17: Campus Black History Month Celebration (students only)
- Feb 20: Teacher Service Day (No HISD school for students)
- Feb 21: CIEE Parent Workshop (virtual)
- Mar 1: CIEE Scholarship and Application Deadline

BLACK HISTORY MONTH SPIRIT WEEK 2/13-2/17

MONDAY

2/13

Melanin Monday

Wear various shades
of brown



TUESDAY

2/14

True Love Tuesday

LOVE
YOU

Come dressed as your
favorite black iconic couple

WEDNESDAY

2/15

Wise Up Wednesday

Wear your HBCU gear



THURSDAY

2/16

Team Black Icon

Wear items to
acknowledge your favorite
or iconic black figures



FRIDAY

2/17

Funk It Up Friday

Wear your favorite
decades clothing



ANNOUNCEMENTS

▷ **Fri-Yay Treat Donations Needed:** Help show support of HAIS faculty and staff with our Fri-YAY Treat program. Sign up [here](#) to show your appreciation.

▷ **2022-2023 HAIS Tutorial Calendar** is now available! [View here](#).

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS?

Review the [Homework and Assignment Tracker](#) to check in with your students' academic progress, see their weekly learning objective, and note any important class announcements. Navigate through the tabs at the bottom of the page to view different subject areas. If you have questions about a particular assignment, please contact the teacher.

STUDENT SERVICES

**HAIS School Counseling and
Wraparound Support**

Submit a SAF!

**Scan the QR Code to connect with
Mr. Estrada (Wraparound)
or Mrs. Salinas (Counseling)**

Clothing, School
Supplies,
Counseling, Mental
Health, Job Assistance,
Rental Assistance,
Food/Nutrition, Legal
Support, Academic
Counseling



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**FREE COVID-19 TESTING FOR STUDENTS
AND CAMPUS STAFF**

You can register to participate in the district COVID testing programming on campus. The parent/guardian must first give consent. The first test date is November 16, 10am at HAIS and occur bi-weekly thereafter. Only students that have consent will be allowed to test.

To give consent to participate in the COVID-19 testing program, please follow these steps:

1. Go to <http://www.houstonisd.org/COVIDtesting> and click on the "begin" button to start the consent process.
2. Enter your child's student ID and select their school (if you are providing consent for more than one child, you will need to complete the form for each child).
3. On the following screen, please enter your child's date of birth, first name, and last name.
4. You will be asked to enter an email address to continue. After entering your preferred email address, you will be sent a link to confirm registration and finalize your child's information. Please note that the link is time-sensitive and expires in 36 hours. For complete step-by-step instructions, please click [here](#).

HCC INFORMATION

HCC FERPA FORMS

HCC FERPA Forms allow professors and parents to communicate once and only if students turn completed forms.

The first form is the notary form. This form is used when students are unable to be in person at the HCC Campus Registration Office. Once complete, students submit the form to HCC. Students/parents should submit the completed Notary form to their Grade Level Dean.

Gomez- 9/10

Devaney- 11/12

The second form, the FERPA Release Form, is the traditional form used in non-Covid times. Students complete this form in person at the HCC Campus Registration Office.

HCC Forms can be found [here](#).

HELPFUL HCC RESOURCES

Want to know how to log into your Canvas? What do you do if you have trouble accessing your HCC Email? How do you register for academic services?

Check out our HCC Resources page [here](#).

COLLEGE CORNER

STUDY ABROAD/TRAVEL ABROAD

Follow @HAISstudyabroad on Twitter and Instagram and check out our updated [website](#) for more information on upcoming deadlines and programs that may interest you. Many deadlines are in early December. Don't miss out on your chance to see the world!

Congratulations to those students that have already started receiving their acceptance notifications for programming!

A FULL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



Say "YES!" to YES Abroad.

MAKE THE WORLD YOUR CLASSROOM.

Live with a host family and attend a local school for an academic year as a **Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Abroad** student. Promote mutual understanding between the United States and your host country as you form lasting relationships with members of your local host community. YES Abroad is a **full scholarship** program of the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

Launched in the aftermath of September 11, 2001, the YES program increases mutual understanding between the people of the United States and people of countries with significant Muslim populations through high school student exchanges.



APPLY ONLINE AT
www.yes-abroad.org

OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
800-380-6552

Visit www.yesprograms.org/host to learn about hosting an international YES student in your home or school.



"YES Abroad opened my eyes and heart to the global community. By being a daughter, sister and friend I was able to learn about and share culture. I now have two homes, two families and countless friends from around the world."
— Hannah, Malaysia Alumna

"My year abroad showed me so many things about myself and it opened my mind to a greater acceptance for everyone and the way they live. The most important thing you can do is to go into this experience with an open mind and heart to let the world show you what it has to offer!"
— Logan, Ghana Alumna

"While abroad, I gained cross-cultural understanding through living day to day life in my small town. Since I returned, my exchange experience has continued as I have switched roles from an American youth Ambassador in Thailand to a representative of Thai culture in America."
— Augusta, Thailand Alumna

Build a global community.

Develop leadership skills, international competence, and an understanding of global interests and values shared across cultures by participating in YES Abroad. Gain new insights into your own culture and the world by developing respectful and enduring relationships between Americans and people of other countries.

Basic eligibility requirements:

U.S. citizens ages 15 to 18½ years at the start of the program are eligible to apply. Visit www.yes-abroad.org to learn more. YES Abroad students represent the diversity of the United States. Students of all racial, ethnic, religious, and socioeconomic backgrounds, gender identities, sexual orientations, and any disability status, are encouraged to apply.





Expand your world.

Increase your global understanding and international competencies.

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Study abroad in high school on a full scholarship in ...

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	INDONESIA	PHILIPPINES
BULGARIA	JORDAN	SENEGAL
EGYPT	MALAYSIA	THAILAND
GHANA	MOROCCO	TURKEY
INDIA	NORTH MACEDONIA	

Host countries are subject to change.





SUMMER PROGRAMS

Volunteering and Immersion in Costa Rica, Ecuador, or Panama!



Volunteer Abroad

Earn 12 service hours per week while you support local organizations on issues like climate change, wildlife conservation, youth empowerment, microenterprise, and more! College credit is also available on select projects.



Find the Project for You

Our programs for ages 15–19 vary in length, Spanish level, theme, and lodging type. Choose a two, three, four, or six-week project, live with a host family, or pick a group experience. Whatever you're looking for, there's an AMIGOS project for you!



From an AMIGOS Alum:

"My favorite part of AMIGOS was how I became so comfortable with the people around me and tried so many new things that pushed me out of my comfort zone and helped me grow. I don't think any other program can do that so well."

—Sophia, Panama 2022



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CELEBRATING ALL THINGS HAIS

#PHOENIXRISING

SHOUT OUT GOES TO...

Ms. Diallo for For orchestrating a wonderful field trip last Friday and being very communicative on what was happening and going on!

- Ms. Nance

Ms. Nance for recognizing her colleague!



- Ms. Alderete

Ms. Diallo, Ms. Rancifer, and Ms. Swearer for assisting with overseeing the Black History Month celebration practices.

- Ms. Alderete

Ms. Baltz and Ms. Shyr for an amazing 2023 Lunar New Year celebration!!

- Ms. Alderete

[Submit your Shout Out for next week's newsletter.](#)

GET INVOLVED!

EVENTS



We're going to...

Belize

Spring 2024



Dear Parents & Guardians,

I am so excited to invite your student on this upcoming educational travel opportunity! Learn more about this exciting tour at an information session where we'll discuss:

- What we'll see and do
- Travel logistics
- How to earn high school or college credit
- Affordable payment options
- How to enroll on this trip (before it fills up!)

Please register for the meeting by 2/7

I look forward to seeing you there!

Ms. Alderete

P.S. Can't make the meeting but want more information?
Register using the QR code or link below and select "No but send info."

Register below & join us for more details!

Meeting date & time:
February 8th
@ 5:30 PM

Location:
HAIS - Go Center (Across from main office)

Contact information:
ealderet@houstonisd.org

Register with this QR code to attend the meeting!



<https://bit.ly/3wguZgY>

Belize

la primavera de 2024



Estimados Padres y Guardianes,

¡Estoy feliz de compartir esta oportunidad de viaje para su estudiante! Se puede aprender más de esta oportunidad emocionante durante nuestra reunión con información acerca de:

- Lo que vamos a ver y hacer
- Logísticos del viaje
- Cómo ganar obtener crédito de colegio o Universidad
- Opciones económicas de pago
- ¡Y más!

¡Espero verlos pronto!

Ms. Alderete

PD: ¿No puede asistir la reunión, pero quiere más información?

RSVP usando el enlace de abajo y selecciona "No but send info."

¡Venga a la reunión para más detalles!

Fecha y hora de la reunión:

8 de febrero

@ 5:30 PM

Lugar de la reunión:

HAIS - Go Center (across from main office)

Información de contacto:

ealderet@houstonisd.org

Registre con este código QR
para asistir a la reunión!



<https://bit.ly/3wguZgY>

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

Please take a moment to complete the HISD FACE HAIS Virtual Walkthrough no later than Tuesday, February 7. Complete the walkthrough [here](#) or scan the qr code.



PTO



**We need your help to make the
2022-2023 school year a success!**



Donate to the PTO!

If every HAIS family donates \$50, the PTO will be able to fund the Halloween Dance, gifts for teachers and staff, and so much more.



Volunteer your time!

We will have many opportunities throughout the year to help.



Sign Up Genius!

Watch for opportunities to donate food, supplies, and more throughout the year.

To donate and for more information:

haispto.org
haispto@gmail.com

PURCHASE HAIS GEAR AND SUPPORT YOUR HAIS PTO

[Click here to visit the HAIS PTO Site](#)

Purchase a HAIS hoodie or t-shirt and support the HAIS PTO. [Click here to place your order and have it delivered directly to you.](#)

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