



# Lamar High School

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## Principal's Corner



Hi, LAMAR HS Community!

Thank you for sharing ideas through Possip this week! We've heard from 1760 of you during the course of the year. We are seeing that 81% of you are happy or mostly happy with LAMAR HS this week.

This week we heard members of the school community share examples of praise, appreciation, and feedback or questions.

## Upcoming Events:

### Thu Apr 20th:

- Theatre @ Regionals
- NHS Ceremony 6:00PM  
(Performance Hall)
- Lone Star Ceremony 7:30PM  
(Performance Hall)

### Fri. Apr 21st:

- ***Praise for the school's response to a recent safety situation***
- ***Praise for teachers that are continuing to support student learning***
- ***Questions about campus security and safety***
- ***Feedback about the student discipline policies***

We are taking all of your feedback and ideas into consideration for our future planning and follow-up.

We hope to hear from you again on our next Possip Pulse Check!

Thanks again for sharing!

## Parent and Family Engagement Survey

Thank you for taking the time to complete the 2022-2023, HISD Title I, Part A Parent and Family Engagement Survey. The purpose of this yearly survey is to see how well your child's school partners with you and encourages your family's engagement in your child's education. The survey should take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Your feedback is anonymous and you will find an English or Spanish version in the links below:

[https://houstonisd.research.net/r/PFE2023\\_English](https://houstonisd.research.net/r/PFE2023_English)

[https://houstonisd.research.net/r/PFE2023\\_Spanish](https://houstonisd.research.net/r/PFE2023_Spanish)

## Highlighted Events:

**Thu Apr 20th:** NHS Ceremony 6:00PM (Performance Hall)

**Thu Apr 20th:** Lone Star Ceremony 7:30PM (Performance Hall)

**Fri. Apr 21st:** Spring Holiday- School Closed

**Tue. Apr 25th:** LATE START- 12:00PM

**Tue. Apr 25th:** STAAR- US History (11th Grade)

**Wed. Apr 26th:** LATE START- 12:00PM

**ed. Apr 26th:** STAAR- Biology (9th Grade)

- Spring Holiday- School Closed
- Varsity Softball vs Bellaire 12:30PM (Butler)

### **Sat. Apr 22nd:**

- Varsity Softball vs Bellaire 12:30PM (Butler)
- JV Baseball vs Chavez 10:00-2:00 (LHS)
- Sophomore Baseball vs Westbury 2:00-4:00-PM (LHS)

### **Mon. Apr 24th:**

- Rettes Try Outs 4:30PM (Gym)

### **Tue. Apr 25th:**

- **LATE START- 12:00PM**
- **STAAR- US History (11th Grade)**
- JROTC Awards 6:00PM (Grand Hall)
- Varsity Baseball vs Bellaire (Delmar)
- Robotics @ Dallas
- Rettes Try Outs 4:30PM (Gym)

## Shout Outs:

### Lamar Track



Congratulations, to the Lamar Track & Field team for an excellent showing at the 18-6A District Meet. Lamar walked away as overall district champs in both boys and girls' divisions. With the sweep at the varsity meet, Lamar has swept the entire district by winning all divisions in track this year. To recap Lamar is district champs in the freshmen girls, JV girls, varsity girls, freshmen boys, JV boys, and varsity boys' divisions. The team qualified a total of 44 athletes for the Area Championships which will be held on Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at Stratford High School.

### Mad City Money



#### Wed. Apr 26th:

- LATE START- 12:00PM
- STAAR- Biology (9th Grade)
- JV Baseball vs Bellaire  
5:00PM (LHS)
- Sophomore Baseball @  
Waltrip 5:00PM
- Girls Soccer Banquet 6:00PM  
(Grand Hall)
- Robotics @ Dallas
- Rettes Try Outs 4:30PM  
(Gym)

#### Thu. Apr 27th:

- AG SHOW (Front Lawn)
- Rettes Try Outs 4:30PM  
(Gym)
- Robotics @ Dallas

#### Fri. Apr 28th:

- Varsity Baseball vs Bellaire  
5:00PM (Butler)
- Art VASE Competition @ San  
Marcos
- LDT Spring Show 6:00-  
8:00PM (Performance Hall)
- AG SHOW (Front Lawn)

#### Sat. Apr 29th:

Smart Financial Credit Union hosted Mad City Money at Lamar High School on Wednesday, April 12, 2023. We had over 25 volunteers and over 35 students that attended!

Mad City Money Workshop and Simulations – *“gives youth a taste of the real world. They make mistakes - and suffer the consequences of their decisions - in a realistic, but safe, environment. Once the shock wears off, they reevaluate choices and manage their money effectively.”*

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## Boys Soccer

It's Official!

Thank you all for all your support and efforts this year in working with our Student-Athletes.

Congratulations to Lamar Boys Soccer Program for the 2023 Season

Lamar received.....

4 of 6 Top All District Awards:

**All District Co-MVP** – Michael Ordonez, #10, Sr.

**All District Best Offense** – Edgar Nunez, #9 Sr.

**All District Best Goal Keeper** – German Gonzales, #98 Sr.

**Coach of the Year** – Coach Jeremy Davison

**18-6A District Champions 2023**

**17/18-6A Bi-District Champions 2023**

**UIL Area Finalist**

All District Selections.....

We received:

**6 First Team All-District selections:**

Michael Ordonez, #10, Sr.

Edgar Nunez, #9, Sr.

German Gonzales, #98, Sr.

Ian Vuong, #3, So.

Alexis Muniz, #12, So.

Ellyson Marquez, #15, Sr.

- AG SHOW (Front Lawn)
- Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)
- Hack-a-thon 8:00-4:00 (9B)
- Algebra Boot Camp 9:00-2:00 (9A)

**3 Second Team All-District selections:**

Eric Romero, #7, Sr.

Cash Reese, #16, So.

Asghar Zinedine, #21, Sr.

**3 Honorable Mention All-District selections:**

Ernesto Jimenez, #22, Sr.

Nathan Graves, #8, Sr.

Luke Ellet, #19, Sr.

**TASCO Academic All-State-** Anjaneya Kar, #20, Sr.

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**HISD All Star Boys Soccer Game**

Join us on Thursday, April 20, for the HISD All-Star Soccer Game. Watch HISD's top soccer athletes go for the goal at Delmar Stadium (2020 Mangum Road) at 6 p.m. You don't want to miss this!

Tickets are \$5 for fans, and admission is **free** for HISD students, teachers, and staff. Come out and show our All-Stars your support!

Coach Davison will coach the Blue Team while Lamar boys will be on the White Team

**Eric Romero, Sr #17**

**Edgar Nunez, Sr. #9**

**German Gonzalez, Sr. #98 – Goal Keeper**

**Michael Ordonez, Sr. #10 – Shootout**

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**Girls Golf**



Congratulations to the Girls golf team for winning District two weeks ago and advancing to regionals in Mont Belvieu this week.

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## Important Spring Testing Updates

### STAAR EOC Exams

STAAR EOC exams will be administered on the dates listed below. All students are required to take and pass the five STAAR End of Course (EOC) exams before graduating. All STAAR exams are administered through the online testing platform and students will test on their HISD issued laptop. If your child's laptop or charger is missing or broken, it is critical that they go to the Lamar IT Office (N215) immediately. If your child's laptop charger is missing s/he will need to purchase a new charger through the Lamar Business Office or using the SchoolPay at [this link](#) . Please note that all students are responsible for returning a laptop, charger and case at the end of the school year.

Practice Online STAAR EOC exams can be viewed [here](#) The STAAR test does not have a time limit this year. Students will have until the end of the school day to finish their test, if needed.

### STAAR EOC Testing Dates

April 25, 2023 – STAAR EOC US History (11<sup>th</sup> grade and Retesters)

April 26, 2023 – STAAR EOC Biology (9<sup>th</sup> grade and Retesters)

May 2, 2023 – STAAR EOC Algebra (9<sup>th</sup> grade and Retesters)

### **Advanced Placement (AP) Exams**

Students taking an AP class during the fall semester have been registered to take the AP exam on the date listed below. Students enrolled in AP classes are required to take the corresponding AP exam as part of the course requirements. Houston ISD has paid the registration fee for our students to take these exams. As a result, any student not taking the required AP exam will be charged a \$40 non-use fee by the College Board. AP students should check their MyAP account for additional testing information.

### **AP Exam Dates**

AP US Government	Monday, May 1 @ 8:30
AP Comp Science Prin	Monday, May 8 @ 12:30
AP World History	Thursday, May 11 @ 8:30

### **Testing Calendar**

A calendar of all Spring 2023 testing (STAAR EOC, AP, IB, Finals) dates can be found [here](#)

### **Save the Date – Late Start Days**

On the following testing days, students not testing will have a late start. Non-testing students will report to school at 12:00 PM for lunch. Following lunch, all students will follow a modified A/B day schedule with 45 minute periods for the afternoon. Classes will begin at 12:55 PM.

April 25 & 26

May 1 & 2

May 11

### **11<sup>th</sup> Grade SAT results**

The results from the March 22<sup>nd</sup> SAT will begin posting on April 14<sup>th</sup>. To see your child's SAT scores, please go to <https://studentscores.collegeboard.org/>

## Algebra 1 Students

A vibrant purple and blue poster for a Math Bootcamp. The word "MATH" is written in large, bold, blue letters, and "BOOTCAMP" is written below it in smaller, bold, blue letters. The background is decorated with various mathematical symbols like plus signs, minus signs, and a sphere. The text on the poster provides information about the bootcamp sessions for Algebra 1 students.

**Attention 9th Grade Algebra 1 Students!**  
Lamar is hosting two sessions of STAAR EOC Bootcamp for Algebra 1 during the month of April. Come and work with our math team to review content skills and brush up on testing strategies as you prepare for the new STAAR exam.

Lunch will be provided, and we've planned for some fun and games to go along with our studies. The Bootcamp dates are:  
April 15th  
April 29th

Both sessions will run from 9am-2pm. Please contact your Algebra 1 teacher if you have any questions about this incredible program.

## Attention Juniors and Seniors

### IB Annual Fee 2022-2023 Are Past Due

All 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders taking one or more IB classes are required to pay an annual \$90 IB fee.

11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade IB course names end in SL and HL. If you see SL or HL on your child's schedule, your child is in an IB course.

This fee supports:

IB tests, IB materials, digital resources, and teacher trainings for our IB programs and if earned the **graduation stole.**

The actual fee that HISD pays to the IB is \$119 per course. When a student tests in five IB courses, HISD pays the IB \$595.

The annual fee of \$90 is past due.

Students who are identified as economically disadvantaged may pay \$30. You can make your annual payment through School Pay or in person at the Lamar business office.

Students who do not pay their annual IB fee *will not* be able to complete senior check-out in May.

Contact Dr. Acord if you have questions. [suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org](mailto:suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org)

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## **IB Math HL Tutorials**

The IB Math Applications HL senior class will have review sessions on April 29 and May 6 from 9 am to 12:00 pm. These are extended review sessions in preparation for the IB Math exams on May 8 and 9. Students may see Mr. Halos in the 12A neighborhood to sign up and for more information.

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## **FFA AG Show**

*You're Invited!*  
**63rd Annual  
Lamar FFA Livestock  
Show & Auction**  
**April 27 - 29, 2023**

**Livestock Show**  
Thursday, April 27 at 5pm

**Booster Reception**  
Saturday, April 29, 4-6pm

**Auction Check-In & Registration**  
Saturday, April 29, 5:00 - 6:30

**Live Auction**  
Saturday, April 29 at 7pm

**Lamar High School**  
3325 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX 77098

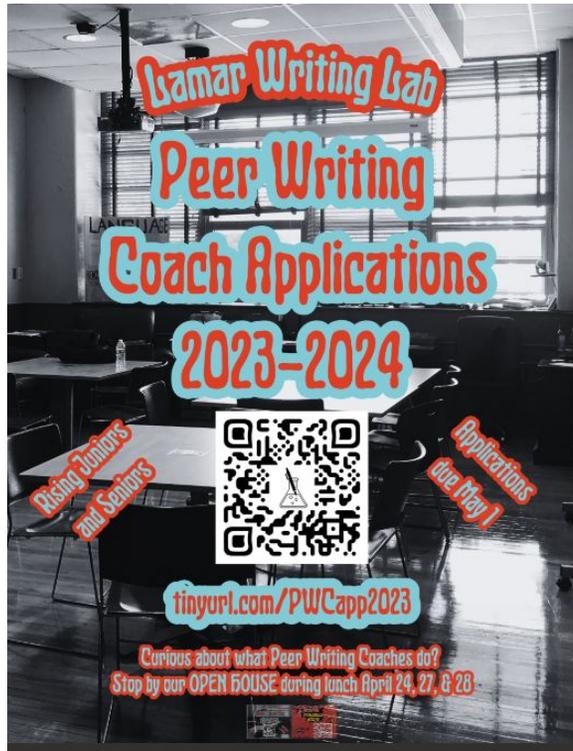
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## Writing Lab



### Peer Writing Coach Applications for 2023-2024

Applications are now open for next year's Peer Writing Coaches!

Application timeline and submission at [tinyurl.com/PWCapp2023](https://tinyurl.com/PWCapp2023).

Curious about what Peer Writing Coaches do? Stop by the Writing Lab OPEN HOUSE during lunch on April 24, 27, & 28.

LAMAR WRITING LAB

# COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY WORKSHOPS

Choose between two late start day options:

**Wednesday, April 26 @11am-12pm**  
-OR-  
**Tuesday, May 2 @11am-12pm**

**EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO WRITE YOUR APPLICATION ESSAYS**

**\*REGISTRATION REQUIRED\***  
Reserve your spot at:  
**TINYURL.COM/APRILMAYCOLLEGEESAY**

\*Students must sign up for a date when they are not taking the TSI, STAAR, or makeup testing. All registrants will be checked against that morning's testing rosters to ensure eligibility.\*

Contact Dr. Lowe at Anne.Lowe@HoustonISD.org

## College Application Essay Workshops

Make the most of the upcoming late start days by getting a jump start on your college application essays! The Writing Lab is hosting a College Application Essay Workshop for juniors and seniors on two upcoming late start days:

**Wednesday, April 26, 11am-12pm**

**Tuesday, May 2, 11am-12pm**

Attendees are welcome to stay through lunch and work on their essays with Writing Lab staff until the bell rings at 12:45pm.

**Registration Required!** Scan the QR code or go to [tinyurl.com/aprilmaycollegeessay](https://tinyurl.com/aprilmaycollegeessay) to reserve a spot in the workshop on your preferred day.

\*Students must sign up for a date when they are not taking the TSI, STAAR, or makeup testing. All registrants will be checked against that morning's testing rosters to ensure eligibility.\*

Please direct questions to Dr. Lowe at [Annie.Lowe@HoustonISD.org](mailto:Annie.Lowe@HoustonISD.org).

## Have You Moved?

If you have moved out of the Lamar attendance zone, or plan on moving out of the zone before next school year and you wish to remain at Lamar you must contact Casey Titus ([ctitus@houstonisd.org](mailto:ctitus@houstonisd.org)) about a possible transfer. The district deadline to apply for a transfer for the 2022-2023 school year is February 2, 2023.

## Sport Enrichment Camp



**Lamar Summer Enrichment Sports Camp**

**A TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP:**  
 8:30 DAILY PREVIEW  
 9:00 CAPTURE THE FLAG  
 10:00 ENRICHMENT  
 12:00 LUNCH  
 12:45 TRIVIA/WORD GAMES  
 1:30 VOLLEYBALL/PAC-MAN  
 2:15 SWIMMING  
 3:45 CAMP HUDDLE  
 4:00 CAMP ENDS

**2023 Application**

**Camp Ages: 5-11**

**BEAT THE HEAT**  
**Air-Conditioned Gym**  
**&**  
**Indoor Pool**  
 Camp Hours  
 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Early Care 8:00-8:30 Late Care 4:00-5:00

**SOME OF THE CAMP'S FEATURES INCLUDE:**  
 Field Trips, Dodge Ball, Bowling, Movie Day, Soccer, Basketball, Bring a Buddy Day, In The Huddle (Dialogue with Lamar Athletes), Softball, swimming, Indoor/Outdoor activities, meet new friends, and a counselor to camper ratio of 10-1.

Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size S M L

Parent Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name/# \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Conditions/Allergies \_\_\_\_\_



I hereby give permission for my child to participate in Lamar Summer Sports Camp. My son/daughter is in good health, and I understand that he/she will participate in rigorous activities and play. The camp will safeguard the health of the camper but will not be responsible for accidents or sickness. I hereby request that my child, name above, be admitted to the Lamar Summer Sports Camp and I authorized the director to act for me in any emergency requiring medical attention. I assume responsibility for payment for any such expense. I also give permission for my child to be transported on any field trips set by Lamar Summer Sports Camp.

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check session(s) attending:**

\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Session 6/5 -6/16 Cost \$400

\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Session 6/19- 6/30 Cost \$400

\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> Session 7/5 -7/14 Cost \$320  
 Closed 7/3 & 7/4

\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Session 7/17 -7/28 Cost \$400

Please pay through School Pay on Lamar High School website. Payment is due at the beginning of each session. Email application and receipt to [jscholtz@houstonisd.org](mailto:jscholtz@houstonisd.org)

**What your camper needs to bring:**  
 Each camper should dress in summer play wear, athletic shoes, and bring a sack lunch, towel, and bathing suit, and water bottle every day. Water/Gatorade will be provided during lunch and snack time. Other snacks items can be purchased from the school store. We offer free breakfast and lunch Monday-Thursday.

**Responsibility**  
**Honesty**  
**Sportsmanship**  
**Respect**

**Contact Coach J.**  
 Jennifer Scholtz  
 Cell: 713-240-2132  
 Email:  
[jscholtz@houstonisd.org](mailto:jscholtz@houstonisd.org)

3325 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX 77098

Link to school pay: <https://schoolpay.com/link/Lamar-Summer-Sports-Camp>

## COLLEGE CORNER

College Corner Hot Topics:

- FAFSA Application Submissions
- College Admission Appeals
- TSI Testing

**Newsletter Link:**

<https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:c5f36ee8-fc34-3b80-8618-6d5c7a4c8636>

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## Class of 2024

Please complete the College Readiness Junior Survey



## Senior Information

### Senior Check Out Meeting

Click [here](#) for the slides to Dr. Acord's presentation.

You have a to-do list of items that need to be taken care of ASAP:

\*Pay your IB Dues- covers the cost of the tests and your **stoles for graduation**. \$90 whether you take one class or more.

\*Pay your Senior Dues- covers the cost of parties, diploma, diploma cover, transcripts, and the senior gift. \$140 today – <https://schoolpay.com/link/LHSClassof-2023>

\*Pay for Cap and Gowns- must wear the cap and gown to walk across the stage. \$50 [Herff Jones](#)

### UPDATED Calendar:

- **Tue. Apr 25th:** STAAR EOC US History
- **Wed. Apr 26th:** STAAR EOC Biology
- **Thu. Apr 27th:** IB written exams begin
- **Mon. May 1st:** AP US Government (8 am)
- **Tue. May 2nd:** STAAR EOC Algebra 1
- **Mon. May 8th:** AP Computer Science (12 pm)
- **Tue. May 11th:** AP World History (8 am)
- **SPRING SEMESTER FINAL EXAMS: May 16-19**
- **May 25th - 31st:** Senior Check-out
- **May 30th:** Senior Sunset
- **Sat. June 3rd:** Graduation at NRG at 7:45 am

### Graduation information

## **Ceremony**

- The graduation ceremony will not be livestreamed (a recording of ceremony will be made available at [www.houstonisd.org/graduation](http://www.houstonisd.org/graduation) at a later date)
- The ceremony should be less than 2 hours

## **Graduate Entrance and check-in**

- Graduates should arrive at 7:45
- Graduates will enter thru designated graduate entrance (Amegy Gate)
- Staging for graduates prior to the ceremony will occur in the Service Level.
- Graduates are not allowed to bring a cellphone, headphones, or other electronics devices into the venue.
- HERFF Jones will be on-site (Service Level) to support graduates as needed.

## **Parking/Bus Drop-off**

- NRG Park is now cashless (accepting only credit cards at this time)

## **Security/Bag Checks**

- All guests will be scanned prior to entry into the Stadium.
- HISD Police will be onsite to ensure safety of all guests and graduates.
- Balloons, flowers, noise makers, etc. are not allowed in Arena.

## **Tickets**

- Tickets will not be used for entry into the Stadium. You may have unlimited guests.

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# **Asia Society Young Leaders Institute**



**APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER 2023!**  
**YOUNG LEADERS INSTITUTE**  
 Teen Summer Sessions

Let's Transform the World!

**In-Depth Programs for High School Students to Develop Global Competence and Transform Their Understanding of Leadership**

Three different sessions are offered Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM, at Asia Society Texas Center.



**JUNE 26-30, 2023**  
**ENERGY AND RENEWABLES**  
 Explore the groundbreaking discoveries and debates around energy and renewables, including roles played by industries, technology, and governments related to developing economies and the need to guarantee a sustainable future.



**JULY 17-21, 2023**  
**EQUALITY AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**  
 Examine multiple angles of human development and how government, nonprofit, and private sector initiatives can promote more equal access to healthcare, education, and economic development.



**JULY 31 - AUGUST 4, 2023**  
**THE GEOPOLITICS OF SPACE**  
 Learn about the complex dynamics of international cooperation and competition in outer space exploration, and examine the outcomes of space research and policy as they relate to politics, economy, public safety, environment, and more.

**APPLICATIONS:** We are accepting applications on a rolling basis! Spots are limited; students are encouraged to apply early to increase chances of admission. The deadline for the online application is **Monday, May 22, 2023**.

**FEES:** It is free to apply. Upon acceptance, a nonrefundable participation fee (per session) is required to guarantee placement: **\$75 Members, \$100 Nonmembers**. Scholarships are available for students with demonstrated need.

**LEARN MORE AND APPLY:**  
[AsiaSociety.org/Summer2023](https://AsiaSociety.org/Summer2023)



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

PTO Meeting Ma 18, 2023

6:00PM

Grand Hall

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## [VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY](#)

IB Assessment Season February - May!

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