



Lamar High School

AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

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Principal's Corner



MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION FOR FINAL EXAMS AND EXEMPTIONS

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Seniors will take their exams on May 23 and 24 during their regularly scheduled classes.

Seniors are expected to attend all classes on these days.

On May 25 and 26, seniors will follow the early dismissal exam schedule. The first exam time will be 8:30-10:40 each day and the second exam time will be from 10:50-12:50 each day. Lunch will be available at 12:50 for students as they leave campus. DISMISSAL AT 12:50.

May 23 A-Day Periods 3 & 4 – DURING THE REGULAR CLASS PERIOD

May 24 B-Day Periods 7 & 8 – DURING THE REGULAR CLASS PERIOD

May 25 A-Day Periods 2 & 1 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

May 26 B-Day Periods 6 & 5 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Grades 9-11 will take their exams during the designated time periods and will be dismissed after the second exam period. Students must attend all exam sessions, even if they are exempt, to maintain attendance credit. The first exam time will be 8:30-10:40 each day and the second exam time will be from 10:50-12:50 each day. Lunch will be available at 12:50 for students as they leave campus. DISMISSAL AT 12:50. Buses will run on the early dismissal schedule.

May 25 Periods 2 & 1 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

May 26 Periods 6 & 5 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

May 30 Periods 3 & 4 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

May 31 Periods 7 & 8 – EARLY DISMISSAL EXAM SCHEDULE

FINAL EXAM EXEMPTIONS

Upcoming Events:

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:

- 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)

Mon, May 1st:

- LATE START 12:00PM
- AP Government Test
- Business Management HL 2

Tue, May 2nd:

- LATE START 12:00PM
- STAAR- Algebra 1
- IB Physics HL/SL

The following guidelines will be used to assign exemptions for final exams.

To be exempt for any final exam, students shall:

- have three or fewer absences in each class; and
- have an E or S in conduct with no discipline referrals.

9th Grade Exemption Opportunities -

Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from one additional final exam for a course with an 85 average or better for the second semester.

10th Grade Exemption Opportunities -

1. Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from AP World History if the student took to AP exam and has a second semester average of 85 or better.
2. Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from two additional final exams for a course with an 85 average or better for the second semester.

11th Grade Exemption Opportunities -

1. Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from IB SL2 courses and AP courses if the student met the testing requirements and has a second semester average of 85 or better. (QUALIFYING COURSES: AP Government/AP exam; IB Art History SL2/AP exam and IB exam; IB World Religion SL2/IB exam; IB Psychology SL2/IB exam; IB Econ SL2/IB exam; IB Spanish SL2/IB exam; IB French SL2/IB exam; IB Chinese SL2/IB exam; IB Arabic SL2/IB exam
2. Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from two additional final exams for a course with an 85 average or better for the second semester.

12th Grade Exemption Opportunities -

1. Those students who qualify based on the above, may be exempt from all final exams for courses with an 85 average or better for the second semester, in which all programme requirements have been met (IB exam/AP exam)

Highlighted Events:

- Sat. Apr 29th: Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)**
- Mon. May 1st: LATE START 12:00PM**
- Tue. May 2nd: LATE START 12:00PM**
- Sat. May 6th: Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 9LHS)**
- Sat. May 6th: IB Math review 9:00-12:00 (12th grade)**
- Mon. May 8th- Fri 12th: Teacher Appreciation Week**
- Sat. May 13th: Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)**

Shout Outs:

Rebeca Arrechedera

- IB Sports Exercise SL
- Track Banquet 6:00PM (LHS)

Wed. May 3rd:

- Big Brother Big Sister 11:00 (away)
- IB Physics HL/SL
- IB Sports Exercise SL
- English A HL
- IB Exhibition 8:30AM (LHS)

Thu. May 4th:

- Philosophy SL
- English A HL
- IB Exhibition 8:30AM (LHS)
- **Choir Pop Show 6:00PM (Performance Hall)**
- Theatre Show 6:00PM (Black Box)

Fri. May 5th:

- **Theatre Show 6:00PM (Black Box)**
- **Rangerette's Show 6:00 (Gym)**

Sat. May 6th:

- **Theatre Show 6:00PM (Black Box)**
- Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 9LHS)
- IB Math review 9:00-12:00 (12th grade)
- GHFCA 7 on 7 Football @ Mayde Creek

Mon. May 8th:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- IB Exams
- Choir Banquet 6:00 (LHS)

Tue. May 9th:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- IB Exams
- IB Exhibition 8:30AM (LHS)

Wed. May 10th:

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- IB Exams
- IB Exhibition 8:30AM (LHS)



Last weekend **Rebeca Arrechdera** participated in the USA Gymnastics Level 8 Women's Regionals Championship 2023 in Oklahoma. Region 3. She won first place in the All Around in the Senior B category. She puts in a lot of effort to keep excellent grades and also her gymnastics practices. Congratulations Rebeca!

Oscar Mance



Congratulations to Oscar Mance for winning Reliant/Texans Scholarships for Champions scholarship! This program awards six \$10,000 scholarships to high school student athletes who have exhibited remarkable leadership on the field, in the classroom and throughout the community. Since 2005, the Scholarships for Champions program has awarded over \$600,000 to more than 100 students from the greater Houston area. We're committed to supporting and celebrating a diverse group of outstanding student athletes by helping set them up for success.

Coach Nell



Congratulations to Girls Soccer Coach Nell for winning Girl Soccer Coach of the Year!

Eric Romero

Thu. May 11th:

- Late Start 12:00PM
- AP World History Exam
- Order Letterman Jackets
12:00PM
- FFA Banquet 6:00PM (LHS)

Fri. May 12th:

- 7 on 7 Football @ CyCreek
5:00PM
- Water Polo @ Clear Falls
- Theatre Banquet 6:00PM
(LHS)

Sat. May 13th:

- Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00
(LHS)
- Band Show 2:00PM
(Performance Hall)
- Full Band Spring Concert
7:00PM (Performance Hall)



Congratulations to **Eric Romero** for signing a soccer scholarship to Pensacola Christian College

Track and Field

Please congratulate the Lamar Track & Field team on their success at the Area Championships. The girls team had a strong showing and finished 4th overall.

Qualifiers for the Region 3 Championships included **Diara Overton-Bivins** in the 200 meters. Also qualifying was **Stacy Guerrero** with a second place finish in the 3200 meters. **Taylor Morrison** finished second in the shot put followed by **Tatiana Nwosu** who finished third. **Alil Akbar** qualified in all three of her events beginning with a second place finish in the 800 meters, then a third place finish in the 400 meters. Alil was also a member of the girls 1600 meter relay that finished second overall, running along with Alil were **Julia Morstead**, **Diara Overton-Bivins**, and **Marian Rutherford**.

The boys team were crowned champs as they won the Area Championships. **Omarion Marshall** was the first qualifier of the day for the boys in the triple jump. **Ayden Turner** finished third in the 100 meters. The boys 400 meter relay team of **Ayden**, **Caleb Thomas**, **Chris Boykins**, and **Bailey Hashmi** finished second. Hurdlers **Rico Moore** and **Cam Vandible** finished 1-2 in the 110 hurdles with Moore earning gold and Vandible getting silver. Later the hurdle duo would again go 1-2 in the 300 hurdles this time with Vandible winning gold and Moore earning silver.

Lamar also earned gold in the 800 meter relay, where **Chris Boykins**, **Ayden Turner**, **Jayden House**, and **Bailey Hashmi** out ran the competition. **Bailey Hashmi** also earned gold in the 200 meters where he ran a blistering time of 21.28. Rounding out the Regional qualifiers on the boys side was **Kaleb Goodly** who won the high jump with a height of 6 feet 9 inches.

The track team will next travel to Humble's Turner stadium to participate in the Region 3 Championships on Friday, April 28th, and Saturday, April 29th. Please congratulate all of our track kids that competed at the Area Meet and wish the best of luck to all the student-athletes that will be representing Lamar at the Regional Meet.

Important Spring Testing Updates

STAAR EOC Exams

Our final STAAR EOC exam will be administered on Tuesday, May 2nd. We will be administering the Algebra 1 STAAR EOC for all students currently taking Algebra 1 and those needing a retest on Tuesday. 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 their 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.

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.

The AP US Government exam will be given Monday, May 1st. **Students must be on time. No late students can be admitted.** The College Board requires that we begin morning testing by 8:45 AM.

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

IB Exams

IB exams for all HL2 and SL2 courses began April 27th. Please view the full list of IB exams [here](#)

Save the Date – Late Start Days

We will have three more Late Start days on May 1, 2, and 11. On these testing days, 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

Late Start Days -

May 1 & 2

May 11

11th Grade SAT results

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

Algebra 1 Students



Attention Juniors and Seniors

IB Annual Fee 2022-2023 Are Past Due

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

11th and 12th 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

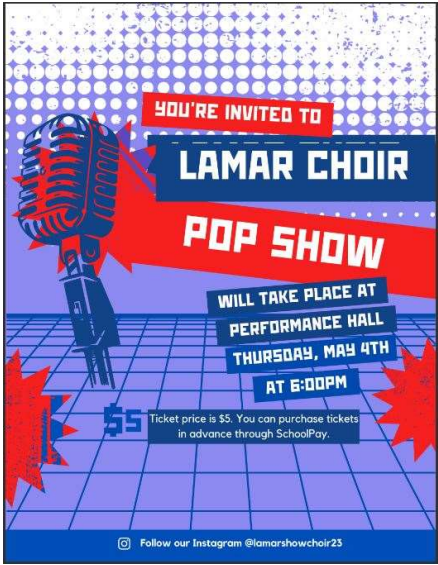
IB Math HL Tutorials

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.

FFA AG Show



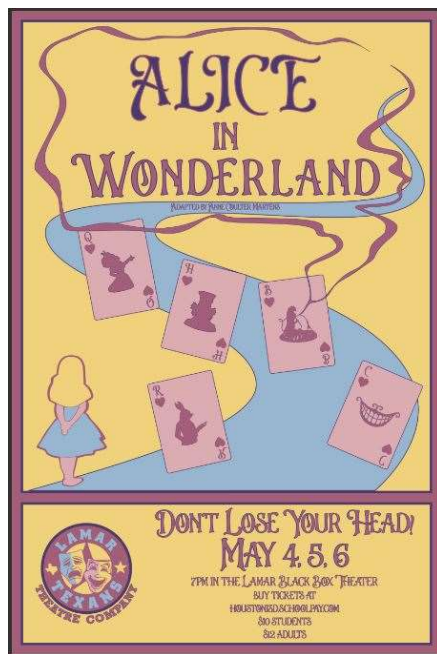
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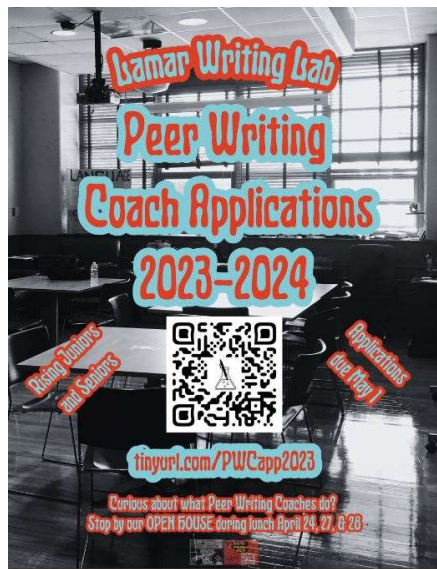
Rangerettes Spring Show



Theatre Production



Writing Lab

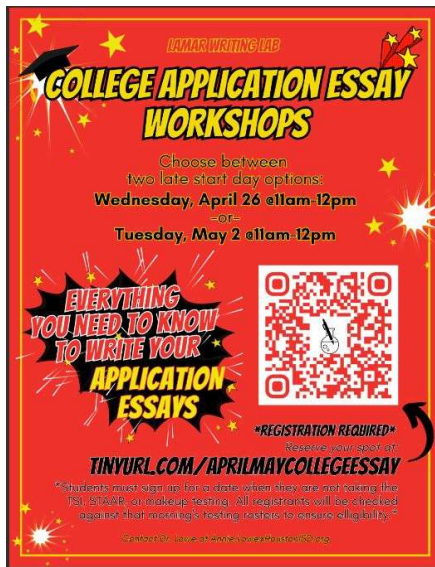


Peer Writing Coach Applications for 2023-2024

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

Application timeline and submission at tinyurl.com/PWCapp2023.

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



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 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.

Monday Marching Band Sessions



May is going to be magical with our MONDAY MARCHING BAND SESSIONS. This is an open rehearsal for all FUTURE MEMBERS of The Lamar Band. Monday - May 1, 8, 15, & 22.


#marchingband

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)

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.

Campers 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:
☐ 1st Session 6/5 - 6/16 Cost \$400
☐ 2nd Session 6/19 - 6/30 Cost \$400
☐ 3rd Session 7/5 - 7/14 Cost \$320
Cost 7/14 - 7/16
☐ 4th Session 7/17 - 7/28 Cost \$400


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 Scholz
Cell: 713-240-2132
Email:
jscholz@houstonisd.org

Please pay through School Pay on Lamar High School website. Payment is due at the beginning of each session. Email application and receipt to jscholz@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>

Class of 2024

Please complete the College Readiness Junior Survey

https://asp.schoolmessenger.com/houstonisd/message_sender.php#

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2023- 2024 Parking



Get Ready Texans!

It's what all you drivers have been waiting for all year!

5th Annual Parking Spot Auction & Raffle

Bidding and Raffle Sales begin Monday, May 1st. Ends Thursday, May 4th at 9:00PM

[Click here for details, rules, and LIVE Links!](#)

2023 Senior Information

Senior Check Out Meeting

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

Graduation is almost here! Make sure you ready for finals, check out and graduation.

FASFA: do now- everyone must complete the FASFA forms (or the opt out form)

Laptop Pick Up: May 15th –19th before you turn in your laptop, make sure you save all your files to a non-HISD device.

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

IB Fees- do now- pay your IB fees it covers the cost of the tests and your **stoles for graduation**. \$90 whether you take one class or more.

Cap and Gown: do now-All Cap & Gowns are ordered through Herff Jones: [Herff Jones](#). \$50.00. They will be distributed during senior check out. Must wear cap and gown at graduation. You may decorate your cap. Graduates can only wear the stoles provided by the school. Graduates may wear NHS, Computer Science NHS, or Emerge cords only.

Invitations: Go to heffjones.com to place your order for graduation invitations.

UPDATED Calendar:

- **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 23-26**
- **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 at a later date)
- The ceremony should be less than 2 hours

Graduate Entrance and check-in

- Graduates should arrive at 7:45AM
- 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.

Asia Society Young Leaders Institute

For email information:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1c_1DPbt7kA8SfNU8tWaswH7uMnr7BeI_/view?usp=sharing

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713-694-8483

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Hats, Belts, Purses
Small Appliances

10 cents per lb. collected
supports your PTA

NOT Accepted:
Mattresses, Furniture
& Large Appliances

To report problems with this bin, please contact us at

713-694-8483,

info@GreenCityRecycler.com

Please do not leave unaccepted items around this bin.

DUMPING PENALTIES STRICTLY ENFORCED

14/16

UPCOMING EVENTS**HELP US MAKE IT SWEET!**

We will be celebrating our amazing teachers and staff with breakfasts & a lunch, but we need some SWEET donations from our Lamar community. THERE ARE 2 WAYS YOU CAN HELP - FOLLOW THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE!

<https://bit.ly/TeacherSweets>

**1**

SIGN UP TO DONATE SWEETS & DROP OFF IN THE TRANSIT CENTER, MAY 5-9TH

2

MAKE A MONETARY DONATION & WE CAN PURCHASE FOR YOU!



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**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

May 8th - 12th

Donation Opportunity!

PTO General Meeting

May 18th

PTOle! Fiesta Fundraiser

May 19th

Buy your tickets now!

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IB Assessment Season February - May!

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