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Principal's Corner



In last week's POSSIP survey there were a comment questions about the flipped lessons and grading policies. I thought that might be a good topic for this week.

We do not use a traditional lecture-based lesson format at Lamar. We flip the script and provide the foundational information for students to complete before arriving to class. Once in the classroom,

Upcoming Events:

Fri. Mar 10th:

- JV Baseball @ Cinco Ranch
7:00PM
- Varsity Girls Soccer vs Bellaire
6:00PM (Butler)
- Varsity Boys Soccer vs Bellaire
7:45 (Butler)
- Debate @ TEA State
Tournament

students are engaged in guided and independent practice to strategically move to a more complex understanding of the topic.

The flipped lesson is the preparation for class. Students will often engage in an Edpuzzle with curated video or recorded lesson. Sometimes the flipped lesson is reading and Cornell Notes or a graphic organizer. The students need this information BEFORE they come to class. Edpuzzles and Cornell Notes allow the teacher to identify areas of misunderstanding before students arrive to class. This helps with providing a more targeted guided practice and reteaching of concepts that are giving a student problems.

When students do this work late, it means they do not have the foundational information they need for the lesson, and teachers don't have the information they need to make on-the-spot, just-in-time decisions about instruction.

Highlighted Events:

- Thu. Mar 9th:** College Corner Parent Night 5:30-7:30PM (9B)
- Mar 13-17th:** SPRING BREAK- No School
- Tue. Mar 21st:** Title 1 Meeting 5:30PM (Grand Hall)
- Wed. Mar 22nd:** LATE START 12:30PM (LHS)
- Wed. Mar 22nd:** 11th Grade SAT Testing 8:30AM (LHS)

Shout Outs:

Track and Field

Sat. Mar 11th:

- Varsity Softball vs Sam Houston 10:00AM
- JV Softball @ Pearland
- JV Baseball @ Katy Taylor 10:00AM
- Sophomore Baseball @ Cy Fair 10:00AM
- Debate @ TEA State Tournament

Mon. Mar 13th:

- SPRING BREAK**
- Varsity Baseball vs Heights 1:00 PM (Delmar)
- Sophomore Baseball vs Bellaire 10:00 (LHS)
- JV Baseball vs Houston 12:00PM (LHS)

Tue. Mar 14th:

- SPRING BREAK**
- Varsity Baseball vs Heights 10:00 AM (Delmar)
- Sophomore Baseball @ Milby 10:00 AM
- JV Baseball @ Heights 12:00PM (Studewood)



Congratulations to the Lamar Track and Field Program for winning boys and girls divisions of the 2023 Houston IS Relays! It was a great total effort!

Boys Golf



After flirting with first place all day the boys varsity team ended up getting 3rd place Atascocita in the Woodlands. **Fio Melnikau** (Sophomore) got 3rd place individually our 85. **Trotter Kinney** (Junior) got 6th place and **Stephen Hernandez** got 7th place.

Rettes

Wed. Mar 15th:

- **SPRING BREAK**
- Varsity Track and Field @ Clear Falls 9:00-4:00

Thu. Mar 16th:

- **SPRING BREAK**

Fri. Mar 17th:

- **SPRING BREAK**

Sat. Mar 18th:

- **SPRING BREAK**
- **Band Contest @ Klein Oaks**

Mon. Mar 20th:

- Freshman/JV Track and Field District @ Barnett
- Varsity Girls Golf @ Northgate CC

Tue. Mar 21st:

- Freshman/JV Track and Field District @ Barnett
- Varsity Baseball vs Westside 5:00PM (Delmar)
- JV Tennis @ Cy Fair



WINNERS AGAIN!!

Congratulations Rangerettes, on an amazing performance at the State Competition!

OVERALL STATE CHAMPION OFFICERS

(Outperforming Super, XL, Large, Medium, Small, JV, & Private School Officer Teams from across the state!)

1st Place Medium Select

1st Place Modern, Contemporary, Lyrical & Open

Super Sweepstakes

Technique & Choreography Awards

TEAM - 4th Place OVERALL TEAM in the STATE!

(Out of 47 Schools - all sizes & categories - statewide!)

2nd Place Medium Select Team

1st Place Medium Select Kick, Pom, & Hip Hop

2nd Place Medium Select Jazz

Super Sweepstakes

Technique & Choreography Awards

ENSEMBLE

- **Title 1 Meeting 5:30PM**
(Grand Hall)
- Varsity Softball vs Chavez 4:30
(Barnett)
- Beginner Boys and Girls Golf
@ Bayou GC

Wed. Mar 22nd:

- **LATE START 12:30PM (LHS)**
- **SAT Testing - 11th Grade**
8:30AM (LHS)
- JV Softball vs Heights 4:30PM
(Love Field)
- Sophomore Baseball vs
Westbury 5:00PM (LHS)

1st Place 17-18 Small Ensemble

SOLOS

5th Place Lisa Yamamoto

Good luck in Arlington girls - you got this!

NATIONALS, GET READY FOR THE 'RETTES!

Boys and Girls Golf



The boys varsity team finally got first place! They waited until the last tournament of the year before they got first place. The boys also got second place in the tournament.

The girls got second place and third place.

Stephen Hernandez got first place individually **Fio Melnikau** got third place individually and **Yana Zabarov** got first place individually for the girls. So awesome!!

Color Guard



Women Leaders in the Community



This week GALS and Lamar Law Club welcomed Kim Kojik and Jennica Garcia to the monthly Women Leaders in the Community. Every week of Women Leaders in the Community Month we will have women leaders from different career pathways coming in to speak and answer questions. Every week the information on speakers is posted on all sponsoring organizations social media! The event is open to anyone interested.

Law Week (March 9th)

Education Week (March 23rd)

Medicine Week (March 30th)

Lamar 7th Battalion JROTC

On Saturday, March 4th Lamar JROTC competed at the annual HISD Bluebonnet Drill Competition. Lamar JROTC got 5th place overall. The Marksmanship Team got 2nd place in districts with the captain Gerald Ramirez getting 3rd for individual. Gerald Ramirez also got 2nd place for the Academics competition. Our Drill team got 6th place. Thank you to all the cadets who competed during Bluebonnet!

Lamar 85th Anniversary Open House



Testing Updates

11th grade SAT – March 22nd

All current Lamar 11th graders have been registered to take the school day SAT, free of charge, on **Wednesday, March 22, 2023**. All students who are testing must arrive on campus by 8:30 AM. It is important that students are on time, as students arriving late will not be allowed to test. Once finished testing, students taking the SAT will be released for a 30 minute lunch. They will eat during 6th period. Their attendance will be corrected, if they tested that morning. Please see the altered bell schedule below. Calculators will be provided for the SAT. For more information about the SAT, please visit the [College Board SAT information](#) page.

LATE Start for non-testing students on March 22nd

All 9th, 10th, and 12th graders will have **LATE start** on March 22, 2023 starting at 1:20 PM. Non-testing students may start arriving on campus for lunch at 12:30 PM. 6th period will begin at 1:20 PM. Students riding HISD transportation will be monitored in the Grand Hall before school begins.

Late Start - March 22nd	
Arrival (Non-Testers)	12:30 PM
Lunch (Non-Testers)	12:30 - 1:15
6th period/SAT Lunch	1:20 - 1:55
7th period	2:00 - 2:40
5th period	2:45 - 3:25
8th period	3:30 - 4:10

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.

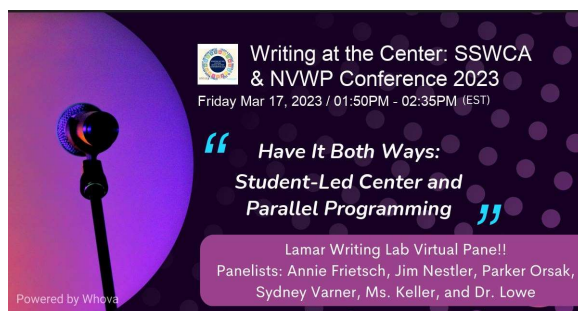
Contact Dr. Acord if you have questions. suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org

Writing Lab



Attention Lamar! We are so excited to introduce the **STTA (Stories Through The Ages) Writing Competition** to Lamar. The competition involves fiction, poems, and creative writing! There are **cash prizes** and participation counts as a CAS experience for our IB Diploma students. All are welcome to join! For those interested, our **competition launch and Information Session will take place March 10th during lunch from 11:45 AM to 12:45 PM in the Writing Lab**. Come and join us for this amazing opportunity!

Info, dates, submission categories, and more at <https://storiesthroughtheages.com/lamar-writing/>



The Writing Lab will present a virtual panel at the Secondary School Writing Centers Association (SSWCA) annual conference over spring break! Wish our panelists luck!

Spring 2023 Testing Calendar

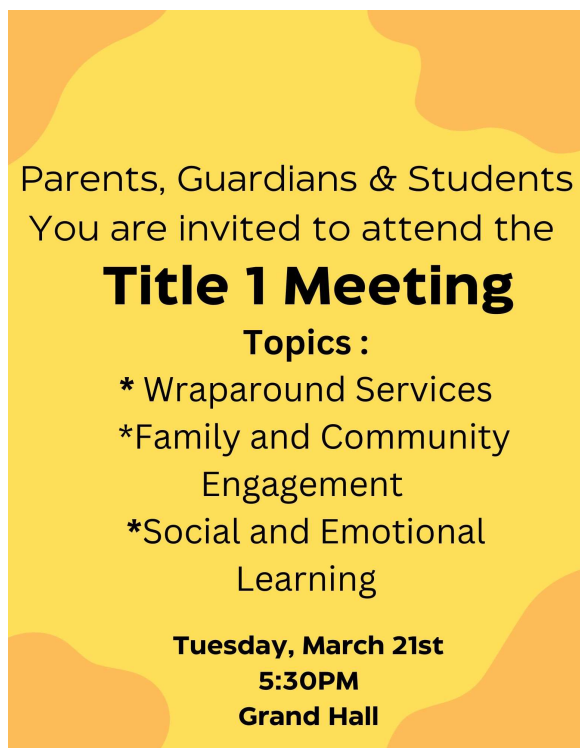
Mark your calendar for upcoming testing dates –

[Lamar HS Spring 2023 Testing Calendar](#)

StuCo

Happy Spring Break Texans! STUCO hopes you all had a great week! STUCO is still doing interviews for the STUCO class if you need or wish to reschedule your interview please use the original SignUpGenius. Finally, enjoy your spring break and be safe!

Title 1 Meeting



Parents, Guardians & Students
You are invited to attend the

Title 1 Meeting

Topics :

- * Wraparound Services
- * Family and Community Engagement
- * Social and Emotional Learning

Tuesday, March 21st
5:30PM
Grand Hall

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.

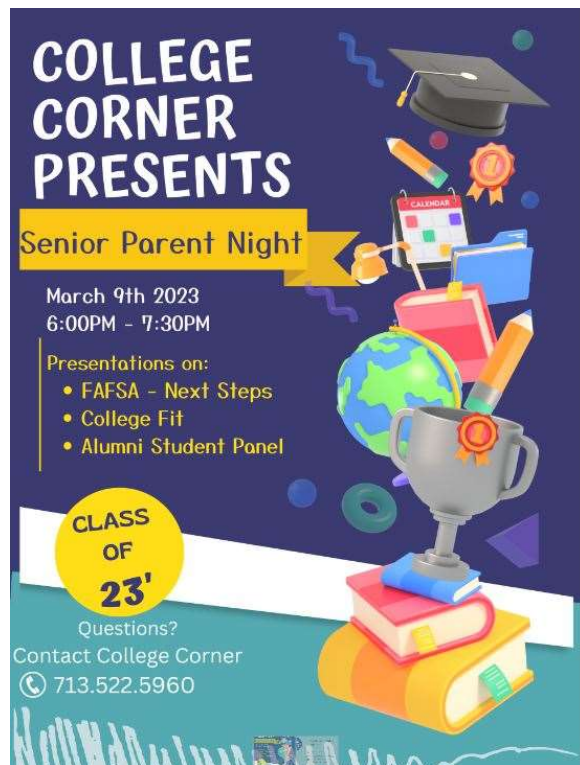
COLLEGE CORNER

College Corner Hot Topics

- Free SAT/ ACT Testing Registration
- Senior Parent Night
- College Admission Appeals

Newsletter Link:

<https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:3840b207-a614-3b88-bfff-caaf9fff80cb>



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 **stoies 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 – price will increase on April <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:

- **Wed. Feb 22nd:** IB Orals begin
- **Fri. Feb 24th: End of Cycle 4!!!**
- **Tue. Feb 28th:** Interim STAAR administration, 12th grade reports to Performance Hall
- **Mon. Feb 27th- Mar 28th:** Prom Ticket Sales <https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/CLASS-OF-2023/Meoz>
- **Spring Break - MARCH 13-17**
- **Wed. Mar 22nd:** SAT & TSIA for a select 12th-grade group (check for an email from Ms. Stephanie Walton)
- **Fri. Apr 14th: End of Cycle 5!!!**
- **Sat. Apr 15th:** PROM
- **Tue. Apr 18th:** STAAR EOC English 1
- **Wed. Apr 19th:** STAAR EOC English 2
- **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 9th:** AP World History (8 am)
- **SPRING SEMESTER FINAL EXAMS: May 19-24**
- **May 25th:** Senior Sunset
- **May 25th - 31st:** Senior Check-out
- **Sat. June 3rd:** Graduation at NRG at 7:45 am

PROM 2023



Senior Prom 2022

Theme: Queen of Hearts

Date: Saturday, April 15, 2023

Location: Bayou City Event Center

9401 Knight Road

Houston, Texas 77045

Time: 8:00PM-12:00AM

Attire: FORMAL for Ladies and Gentlemen

Prom Ticket Price: \$100.00 each

<https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/CLASS-OF-2023/Meoz>

Prom tickets will be sold February 27th-March 28th online or cash in the business office during lunch.

NO PROM TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Please keep your receipt. You will need to show your receipt in the athletic lobby during lunch April 13th-14th to receive your prom ticket and favors.

*****ALL CLOTHING MUST ADEQUATELY COVER CHEST, MIDRIFT AND THIGHS*****

You must check into prom by **9:30PM SHARP** or will not be admitted. If you leave the prom, you will not be able to re-enter.

NO BAGS ALLOWED.

*Purses and persons will be checked before entering.

*No outside food or drinks allowed.

*Party buses and vans will be subject to search upon arrival.

*Furthermore, all vehicles must be valet parked. Car keys will be left with the valet.

*No parking of cars at Bayou City Event Center before your arrival to prom.

*You may NOT go to your car to get things until you are ready to leave for the night.

*Prom is not a lock-in. You may leave at any time, but you may not re-enter.

*You may NOT go to your car to get things until you are ready to leave.

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Girls Elevated



GIRLS ELEVATED

Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology are pleased to host Girls Elevated, an interactive day-long session for young girls and their parents.

SATURDAY
April 1, 2023
8:30AM-3PM United Way Community Resource Center • 50 Waugh Drive, Houston, TX 77007

Join us for an informative, fun-filled day dedicated to creating stronger, more confident young women.

Our team of experts will help arm teen and preteen girls with the knowledge they need to navigate the changes and challenges that lie ahead.

Sessions will cover important topics such as healthy relationships, body changes and sexual pressures. Adults will receive expert advice on bonding with their teen, setting boundaries and talking about difficult subjects.

TOPICS
Normal puberty, periods and hygiene, social media, vaccines, high risk behaviors

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Girls ages 8-18 and their parents/caregivers
Separate sessions for elementary, middle school, high school and adults

COST AND REGISTRATION
\$35 per adult/teen pair
\$22.50/adult or \$15/additional child
Admission cost includes lunch, snacks and free convenient parking

To reserve your space, register at
[GirlsElevated2023.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/girls-elevated-2023-tickets-4788888888888888888)



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