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Principal's Corner



Final Exemptions - Seniors

How do I qualify?

To be exempted from final examinations in second (spring) semester, senior students must have:

- Senior (12th grade) classification;
- 85 semester average or better in course;
- S or E conduct average; and
- No more than three (3) total excused or unexcused absences
- No in school or out of school suspensions

Seniors – Eligible to be exempt from all final exams

12th grade students in IB course(s) must submit all IB assessments, sit for IB exams in May, and participate in all oral assessments. To be exempt from finals in 12th grade IB courses, students must also have all IB assessments complete.

When will I know if I'm eligible?

Starting on May 19th students should check the final exemption list posted in 12th grade hall. Any student on the list currently is qualified for exemptions.

Seniors who have an 85 or higher in their courses will be automatically exempted during Finals Week if they have met final exam exemption qualifications. No selection is needed.

During Finals Week

Teachers will have the list of students who qualify for final exam exemptions. Teachers will be officially approving exemptions during finals week, all students must report to their class for attendance purposes. If your semester average falls below an 85 OR if you have more than 3 unexcused absences in ANY class, you are ineligible for the exemption. MONITOR YOUR GRADES and ATTEND ALL OF

Upcoming Events:

Thu Mar 23rd:

- Rettes Leave for Nationals @
Dallas
- Theatre District Competition
@ Berry Center
- Swim Awards Program 6:00-
8:00PM (Grand Hall)
- Choir Concert 6:00-8:00PM
(Performance Hall)
- Orchestra @ Klein Oaks 1:15-
5:30PM
- Robotics @ MO Campbell
Education Center

Fri Mar 24th:

- Varsity Track and Field @
Rockhold 1100-7:00
- JV Softball vs Bellaire
4:30PM (LHS)
- Tennis @ Cy Fair
9:30-3:00
- Varsity Baseball vs Westside
(Delmar)
- Varsity Girls Soccer Playoffs
5:30PM (Butler)
- Varsity Boys Soccer Playoffs
vs North Brook @ Spring
Brook HS 7:30PM
- IB Science Field Trip @
Museum of Natural Science

Sat Mar 25th:

YOUR CLASSES to maintain your exemption status – Final exemption status can change up to the day of the final.

Questions about Exemptions

For questions about exemptions please contact your Grade Administrator.

Prom Sponsorship

Are you interested in underwriting the cost of prom for one of our seniors? Please consider making a donation through the PTO.

<https://lamarpto.wufoo.com/forms/prom-ticket-donations-2023>

Highlighted Events:

Fri Mar 31st: HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL

Fri Mar 31st: Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)

Fri Apr 7th: HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL

Sat Apr 8th: HOLIDAY- Building Closed

Shout Outs:

Varsity Boys Soccer



Congratulations to Varsity Boys Soccer for a great season! Once a gain the team went to Area Playoffs. However, they are not advancing. It's hard to see your team lose, especially when you've worked so hard all season.

Varsity Girls Soccer



It has been 10 years since the Varsity Girls team made it to Area Playoffs. The girls played a great game but came up short. Thank you for a great season ladies!

Theatre

- Sophomore Baseball vs Galena Park 10:00(LHS)
- JV Baseball vs Waltrip 2:00 (LHS)
- 85th Anniversary Open House 10:00-2:00 (LHS)
- Band Concert @ Clear Creek 7:15AM-4:30PM
- FFA @ College Station 6:00AM-3:00PM
- Robotics @ MO Campbell Education Center

Mon Mar 27th:

- Choir @ Katy 8:00-6:00
- Orchestra @ Butler in Austin
- Varsity Softball vs Bellaire 7:00PM (Delmar)

Wed Mar 29th:

- Big Brother and Big Sister 11:00-1:00 (away)
- JV Softball @ Westside 4:30

Thu Mar 30th:

- IB Showcase 1:30-3:30 (Grand Hall)
- Varsity Softball vs Heights 7:00PM (Delmar)

Fri Mar 31st:

- HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL
- Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00
- Varsity Baseball vs Westbury 5:00PM (Delmar)
- Theatre @ San Jacinto Central

Sat Apr 1st:

- JV Baseball @ Chavez 10:00-2:00
- FFA @ College Station 6:00-4:00

Mon Apr 3rd:

- Debate @ Bellaire 7:00AM-6:00PM
- Track and Field District @ Barnett
- Theatre Auditions @ Black Box



Please congratulate the Lamar Texans Theatre Company! For the first time in over seven years, the Lamar Texans Theatre Company advanced to the Area in their UIL One Act Play Contest!

While advancing, our students were honored as well - **Hannah Washington** was awarded "The Best Technician" award, **Sophia Bard** was named to the Honorable Mention All Star Cast, and **Ash Gorrell** was named to the 2023 Bi-District All Star Cast!

The Area Contest is Friday, March 31st at San Jacinto College in Pasadena! We would love to see you in the audience! Contest starts at 2 p.m. and each show runs back-to-back. Tickets are \$10 for all six shows – Lamar Theatre Company performs between 4:30 and 5 p.m. Please plan accordingly as there is no entrance into the theatre after a show starts. It is a CASH only event.

This is a big deal, folks. For our sports fans out there, this is like our football team being two contests away from a State bid! So, please come out, enjoy a day of theatre and root for the Lamar Theatre Company to move onto Region!

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

STAAR HISTORY

- Varsity Softball vs Westside
4:30PM (Delmar)

Tue Apr 4th:

- SDMC 7:30AM (LHS)
- StuCo Blood Drive 8:00-4:00
(Athletic Lobby)
- Varsity Baseball vs Houston
5:00PM (Delmar)
- FFA Meeting 6:00-8:00PM
- Track and Field District @
Barnett
- Theatre Auditions @ Black
Box

Wed Apr 5th:

- Big Brother Big Sister 11:00-
1:00 (Away)
- JV Softball vs Houston 4:30
(LHS)
- FFA Meeting 6:00-8:00PM
(Grand Hall)
- Theatre Auditions @ Black
Box

Thu Apr 6th:

- Track and Field District @
Barnett
- Varsity Baseball vs Houston
5:00PM (Coward)
- Varsity Softball vs Westbury
7:00PM (Delmar)
- Orchestra Concert 6:00-
8:00PM (Performance Hall)

Fri Apr 7th:

- HOLIDAY- NO SCHOOL

Sat Apr 8th:

- HOLIDAY- Building Closed



TUTORIAL SCHEDULE

TUE - APRIL 4 - 4:30 - 5:50

WED - APRIL 5 - 4:30 - 5:50

TUE - APRIL 11 - 4:30 - 5:50

WED - APRIL 12 - 4:30 - 5:50

TUE - APRIL 18 - 4:30 - 5:50

WED - APRIL 19 - 4:30 - 5:50

U.S. HISTORY STAAR TEST

TUESDAY APRIL 25

STUDY RESOURCES

Look on your CANVAS U.S. History page for resources module.

TUTORIALS

U.S. HISTORY STAAR

BE READY FOR YOUR STAAR TEST

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

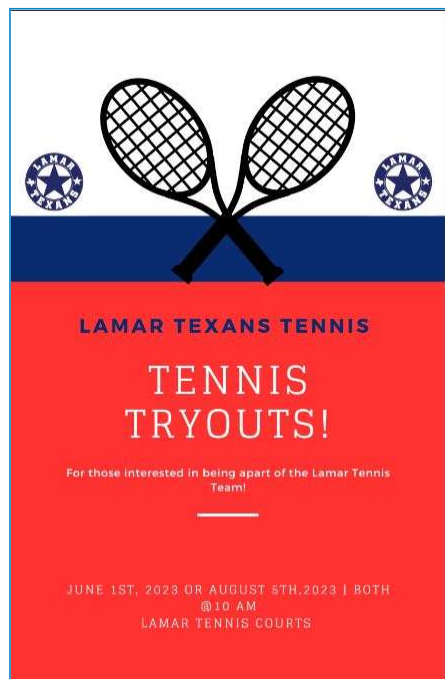
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Tennis Try Outs



Spring 2023 Testing Calendar

Mark Your Calendars – LATE START Days 12:00 PM

April 18 and 19

April 25 and 26

May 1 and 2

May 11

See the Lamar Testing Calendar [here](#) for the specific tests being administered each day.

StuCo

Our annual blood drive will be on April 4, 2023, from 8:45 AM until 1:45 PM in Lamar's Athletic Lobby.

The link to sign up is: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094da9ab29a2fbce9-4423?fbclid=PAAaYM7iewCqgMQFVtY0kkF3HBLnUUyGigT2h_4yNE3pPBE6SsazrZ9M6DE2s



[4/4/23 MD Anderson Blood Drive](#)

If you are 17 years old you need a signed permission slip by a parent/guardian. You need to bring a form of identification. This will count as a CAS experience and National Honor Society hours. We will come get you from your classroom so please do not leave your class until you are picked up! PLEASE EAT BREAKFAST!!! Please look at MD Anderson's Blood Donation page to see additional requirements and information about their Blood Drives. (April 4th is a B day)

www.signupgenius.com

Walk-ins are welcome!

Students must be 17 years old to donate with a signed parent permission slip (students who are 18 do not need a permission slip). Permission slips will be located at the Student Center (front desk in the Grand Hall) and the neighborhood clerks' desks.

To donate, students must have a form of identification on them (PowerSchool is acceptable). To prepare, students must wear a short-sleeve shirt, eat a hearty breakfast, and stay hydrated (snacks and

drinks will be provided at the donation station). Students may NOT fast before their donation, participate in any athletic activity for at least 24 hours after donating, or wear a long-sleeve jacket or shirt. Students will be escorted to and back from the donation station at their allotted time by a STUCO member.

Donors can use this as a CAS experience for IBDP, 2 inside hours for NHS, and other applicable organizations (GT Independent Studies, Key Club, etc.).

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:

- Practice SAT and ACT opportunities
- College Admission Appeals

Newsletter Link:

<https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:84da0e1b-024d-38f0-b9c3-8ee7b29010d9>

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 – price will increase on April 4th <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 4th:** Senior Dues price increase
- **Tue. Apr 4th:** Last day to purchase prom tickets
- **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 11th:** 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-April 4th 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.

* Must show school ID at check in

*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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UPCOMING EVENTS

All Class Parent Social

April 13th, 5pm

Marquis II

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

IB Assessment Season February - May!

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