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Principal's Corner



This is a very busy time of year! I want to make sure you aren't missing important opportunities.

Credit Appeal

Do I Need Credit Appeal?

If you have an NG from the Fall semester instead of a grade for a class, you need credit appeal. If you have accrued more than 4 absences this Spring semester in any one class, you may need credit appeal. After June 15, any unresolved NGs will result in the student being reseated for the full semester. This is very likely to keep you from graduating with your classmates.

When Do I Show Up?

May 11 8:30-12:00

May 13 9:00-3:00

May 20 9:00-3:00

What If I Don't?

If you do not attend credit appeal to resolve NGs, you will be reseated. For example, you take and pass Algebra 1, but have 7 absences in the fall and 6 absences in the spring, you will have an NG on the report card for both the first semester and second semester. You will have to take Algebra 1 again next year and will not be able to advance to Algebra 2.

Fees

All students in 11th and 12th grade who are taking IB classes are required to pay IB Fees. While the District pays the testing fees, there are registration fees that students are required to pay each year. Seniors also are required to pay senior dues. All fees must be paid before the end of the school year. Students may check with their clerk or the Business Office to determine what they owe.

Laptop Collection

Upcoming Events:

Thu. May 18th:

- Laptop Collection 8:30-4:00 (LHS)
- Water Polo student vs Teacher 4:30 (LHS)
- PTO Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)
- Rising Senior Parent Meeting 6:30PM (Grand Hall)

Fri. May 19th:

- Spring Football Game 6:30PM (LHS)
- Band Banquet 6:00-8:00PM (LHS)
- Water Polo @ Clear Falls

Sat. May 20th:

- Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)
- Hackathon 10:00-3:00 (LHS)
- Orchestra Concert 7:00-9:00PM (Performance Hall)

Mon. May 22nd:

- Dead Week
- Softball Banquet 6:00 (Grand Hall)

Tue. May 23rd:

- Senior Finals pd. 3/4

Beginning May 19th our IT department will begin laptop collection. When students turn in laptops they will also be required to turn in the laptop cord/charger and the laptop bag. Fees are assessed for any missing items.

Highlighted Events:

Thu. May 18th: PTO Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)

Thu. May 18th: Rising Senior Parent Meeting 6:30PM (Grand Hall)

Sat. May 20th: Credit Appeal 9:00-3:00 (LHS)

Mon. May 29th: CLOSED SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Wed. May 31st: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Shout Outs:



Congratulations **Tremayne Edwards!**

HISD and the City of Houston Solid Waste Department announced a districtwide art contest. His winning artwork was replicated on a vinyl surface and is now being exhibited on the solid waste collection vehicles as they provide collection services across the city's neighborhoods. On Monday, all students had the opportunity to showcase their artwork to the Mayor of Houston, City council, community members.

Water Polo

Congratulations to our Lamar Water Polo players that were selected to go to the Junior Olympics in California this summer!

- Senior Channing Miller
- Junior John Hajdik
- Junior Carlos Camarena
- Junior Augie Loredó
- Junior Avery Williams
- Sophomore Xavier Williams
- Freshman Evan Reynolds

Important Spring Testing Updates

Students must be on time for all AP and IB exams. No late students can be admitted.

AP Exam Dates

Wed. May 24th:

- Senior Finals pd. 7/8
- Rette's Banquet 6:00 (Grand Hall)

Thu. May 25th:

- Senior Finals pd. 2/1
- Underclassmen Finals pd. 2/1

Fri. May 26th:

- Underclassmen Finals pd. 6/5
- Senior Finals pd. 6/5
- 7 on 7 Football @ Woodlands 5:00PM

Sat. May 27th:

- CLOSED HOLIDAY

Mon. May 29th:

- CLOSED SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Tue. May 30th:

- Senior Check Out 9:00AM
- Underclassmen Finals pd. 3/4

Wed. May 31st:

- Senior Check Out 9:00AM
- Underclassmen Finals pd. 7/8
- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Thu. Jun 1st:

- Senior Credit Appeal
- Tennis Try Outs 10:00AM (LHS)

AP Government (Late) Friday, May 19 @ 12:00 PM

IB Exams

IB exams for all HL2 and SL2 courses continue through May 19th. Please view the full list of IB exams [here](#)

Test Results

STAAR EOC Results will be available on the Texas Assessment Family Portal at <https://www.texasassessment.gov/> beginning June 30th.

AP Test Results will be available on <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/view-scores> beginning July 5.

IB exam results will be available on the IB Candidate website at <https://candidates.ibo.org/> beginning July 6th.

Summer STAAR EOC testing – June 20-22

Laptop Collection



May -Mental Awareness Month

This month of May is Mental Health Awareness Month where we are seeking to increase awareness on the importance of mental health and wellness in all of our lives, especially as you all are starting finals soon. It is important to take the time to check-in with ourselves and our mental health as it impacts so many parts of our lives. Please join the Communities In Schools team to learn more about mental health and stress management techniques during lunchtime on May 23rd on the second floor in front of our offices.

Final Exam Schedule

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

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).

Yearbook 2023 Distribution Plan

What – Come pick up your 2023 Yearbook!

Where – Hallway in front of N309’s storage closet

When – During lunch the following days:

May 15 th	May 16 th	May 17 th	May 18 th	May 19 th
Seniors	Juniors	Sophomores	Freshmen	Anyone

**If you missed your day, you can come the next day.*

How – You need proof of identify in order to retrieve your book (driver’s license, government-issued ID, student ID badge, or Yearbook Receipt)

Pro Tip – Bring a pen or marker and write your name on it first thing.

Haven’t bought your book yet? We have 25 left to sell for \$100 via SchoolPay.

Attention Juniors and Seniors

End of Year IB To-Do List

Students who took IB exams this year will be able to access their IB scores on July 6th. They must use the pin code that will be provided to each student before the end of the school year. Students should take a photo of their pin code paper just in case they lose their paper. Directions on the paper will allow students to access the IB site and their IB scores. The IB site is located at: <https://candidates.ibo.org/>

Students who lose their codes will need to request their scores directly from the IB and pay a \$17 fee.

Replacement site: https://rrs.ibo.org/replacement_orders/index.cfm

Seniors who would like their scores sent directly to their university [must complete this form by May 19th](#).

Seniors who do not complete the university form will need to request their scores from the IB and pay a \$17 fee. https://rrs.ibo.org/replacement_orders/index.cfm

Seniors taking IB classes should review our senior slides to ensure all expectations are met before senior check out: bit.ly/lamarib2023.

Water Polo Staff vs Student Game



Student Parking

2023-2024 Student Parking**Applications Open****Monday May 8th, 2023**

Apply for your parking permit for 2023-2024 School Year using the link below or scanning the QR code.

Parking Permit Link

<https://bit.ly/23-24ParkingApplication>



- **Students must be classified as a 12th or 11th grader by the registrar for the 2023-2024 school year.**
- Online application must be completed.
- Applicant must have a Current Texas Driver License or Valid Texas Learners Permit to apply.
- If applications exceed the number of parking permits available a lottery will be held to distribute parking spots with incoming 12th graders given first priority over incoming 11th graders if students apply before the deadline of midnight on June 5th.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MIDNIGHT MONDAY JUNE 5TH 2023.

Once approved you must submit all required paperwork by Midnight June 28, 2023 to secure your parking permit.

After the deadline apply to the Parking Waitlist. Applications will be processed in the order received.

Rice Summer Camps

A promotional poster for a summer camp. The background is white with a green border and contains various mathematical formulas and symbols in different colors. At the bottom, there is a photograph of a young man and woman smiling. The text on the poster includes:

HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**PREPARING
for SUCCESS**

in CALCULUS

Strengthen your math skills this summer at RICE University

JULY 17 - 28
Monday - Friday
9:00AM - NOON

Start your journey to success in AP Calculus this summer through Rice University's School of Mathematics Project.

• NO COST FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION
• PARTICIPANTS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION

REGISTER TODAY!

<https://bit.ly/rusmp2023>





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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

Band Banquet



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 HIDDLE
 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:

1st Session 6/5 - 6/16 Cost \$400

2nd Session 6/19 - 6/30 Cost \$400

3rd Session 7/5 - 7/14 Cost \$320
 Closed 7/18 - 7/14

4th 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 jchoch@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 Schoch
 Cell: 713-240-2132
 Email: jchoch@houstonisd.org

3325 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX 77098

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

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

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Graduating **seniors** must complete the senior survey found at the QR code or survey link at bit.ly/srspring2023. Seniors who do not complete the survey and upload appropriate information, where applicable, will not be cleared for graduation. Questions? Contact the Lamar College Corner.

Newsletter Link:

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

Rising Senior Parent Meeting



Refreshments will be served!

Class of 2024

Please complete the College Readiness Junior Survey



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:

- **Tue. May 11th:** AP World History (8 am)
- **SPRING SEMESTER FINAL EXAMS: May 23-26**
- **May 30th - 31st:** Senior Check-out
- **May 30th:** Senior Sunset
- **Sat. June 3rd:** Graduation at NRG (Students arrive at 7:45 am, Ceremony at 9:00 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.

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.

Appropriate Dress

- Gentleman must wear collared shirts, with a tie, dark slacks and dress shoes. Dark shoes are best.
- Young ladies should wear dresses, skirts or dress slacks, Flat shoes or wedges are recommended as graduates will be walking across the NRG stadium floor and up stairs.

Cap and Gown

- Cap and gowns will be distributed during senior check out on May 30th and 31st from 9:00-11:00AM in the Bleachers.
- The gown should be hung on a hanger to help remove wrinkles. (Seniors are expected to take care of their own obligations prior to picking up their cap and gown).

Pictures

- There will be a professional photographer on stage to take a picture as the diploma is presented to each graduate.
- Parents will be given the opportunity to purchase a copy of the picture. Family members are not allowed to be on the floor to take personal pictures. Seniors provide contact information to the photographer, Flash Photography.
- If you have questions about pictures please contact Flash Photography, 3001 South University, Fort Worth, Texas 79109. Their phone number is 1-800-4410-8070.
- A proof will be sent by the company after graduation to the graduate provided home address. You may order your photos directly from Flash Photography.

Behavior of Seniors

- Seniors are asked to enter NRG carrying their cap and gown (and car keys if applicable).
- **NO electronic devices will be allowed including cell phone, cameras, or earbuds.** You will be told to take these items back to your car, so do not try to bring them in. HISD security will be screening all seniors as they enter the stadium.
- Do not bring in any prohibited items that would not be allowed to have at school such as pocketknives, tobacco products, or e-cigs etc. Being in possession of any prohibited items may result in losing your opportunity to participate in this graduation exercise. We are expecting that all members of the senior class will show appropriate behavior during the ceremony.
- Students who interrupt the graduation exercises may be asked to leave and/or their diplomas may be withheld until a parent conference can be held at a later date. All graduates are expected to stay for the entire ceremony.

Parking/Bus Drop-off

- Enter NRG complex off Kirby through Entrance 9. Traffic control will route you to parking assigned for graduation. (Lots 22, 23, 17)
- **NRG Park is now cashless (accepting only credit cards)**

- Parking for individuals with disabilities will be available in Lot 18. Traffic control at the stadium will route vehicles with permits to this lot. NRG Stadium is ADA Complaint and will meet the access and seating needs of our families and their guests.

After the Ceremony Ends

- Families and guest are invited to meet and to congratulate the new graduates outside NRG by the Amegy Bank Gate. We recommend looking at the parking and facility maps and selecting a meeting place outside the stadium. Remember seniors will not have cell phones in their possession.

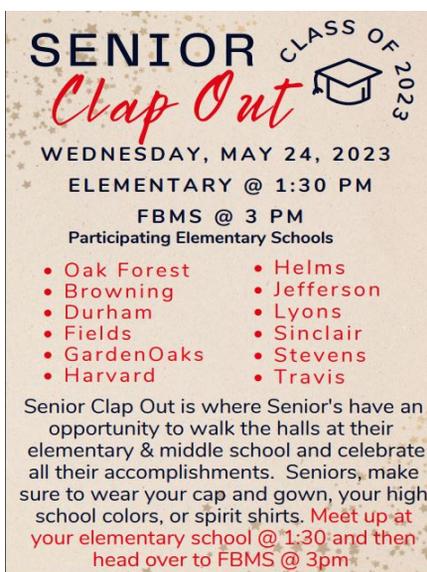
Audience Expectations

- This is a solemn and dignified event, and we ask that all families be respectful and attentive as each student graduates.
- Horns, balloons, banners or items that distract from the ceremony will not be allowed or other items that interrupt the graduation are not all owed into NRG. Security will confiscate these items. All students deserve to have their friends and family members hear their name as it is read, Students who are performing or delivering a speech deserve to be heard by everyone in the audience.

Tickets

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

Elementary Reunions



Class of 2023 RE-turn to Roberts!



Graduating seniors of the class of 2023 who attended Roberts Elementary School and their families are invited to a reunion of friends and former classmates to be held on the school grounds, 6000 Greenbriar Drive, at 4 p.m. Sunday 21 May 2023.

Seniors are encouraged to wear T-shirts reflecting their future college or employment plans for a planned group photo.

The event is free, but please RSVP so we can plan refreshments: <https://www.schoolmessenger.com/roberts/2023/05/18/2023-re-turn-to-roberts>

Please help spread the word to the families of others whose graduating seniors attended Roberts, and please visit the Sign-Up Genius link if you'd like to bring refreshments.



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Thank you, LONE STAR Donors!

The Lamar High School PTO & Lamar community truly appreciates your generous support.

The John Edwards Family

The Sandill Family

UPCOMING EVENTS

PTO General Meeting

May 18th

[PTOle! Fiesta Fundraiser](#)

May 19th

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IB Assessment Season February - May!

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