



# Lamar High School

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Lamar Weekly Newsletter

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## Principal's Corner



### Texas IB Schools College Fair

IB Diploma Candidates are invited to attend the Texas IB Schools College Fair on April 2, 2024. More than 100 colleges will have admissions representatives onsite that know and understand the value of an IB Education and the IB Diploma. You will get the opportunity to explore your options for schools in Texas, schools in other parts of the United States and schools outside of the U.S.

This opportunity is open to 11<sup>th</sup> grade students:

- Student must currently be seated in Theory of Knowledge with a passing grade; and
- Student must be on track to earn the IB Diploma (scheduled for 3HL and 3SL courses); and
- Student must have a clean discipline record.

This is treated as a field trip and will not count as an absence. Students are asked to bring money for lunch. All other costs are covered. You may pick up a field trip permission slip with a list of the colleges that will be represented from your TOK teacher. Return the field trip permission slip to secure your spot. We will take up to 90 IB Diploma Candidates.

## Highlighted Events

**Fri. Mar 8th:** REPORT CARD DAY

**Sat, Mar 9th:** Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (LHS)

**Mon. Mar 11th- Fri. Mar 15th:** SPRING BREAK- No School

**Wed. Mar 20th:** Junior Parent Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)

**Mon. Mar 25th:** Holiday - No School

**Fri. Mar 29th:** Holiday - No School

Upcoming Events:

### Thu. Mar 7th:

- FASFA Roadshow 8:30-3:30  
(12th grade classrooms)
- JV Softball @ Humble  
Tournament
- Varsity Baseball @ Brenham  
Tournament
- Debate @ State

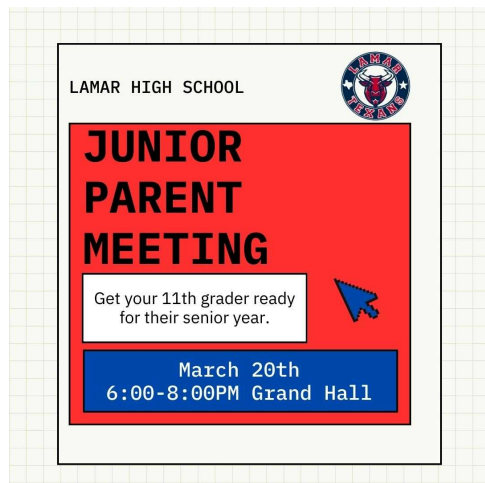
### Fri. Mar 8th:

- **REPORT CARD DAY**
- Varsity Boys Soccer vs Bellaire  
6:15PM (Dyer)
- Track @ Montgomery Relays  
8:00-8:00
- Varsity Baseball @ Brenham  
Tournament
- Debate @ State
- **Choir Concert 6:00PM**  
(Performance Hall)

### Sat, Mar 9th:

- **Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00**  
(LHS)
- Robotics 9:00-2:00 (N310)
- Theatre UIL -OAP 7:00AM-  
10:00PM (Westside)

## Junior Parent Meeting



## STAAR Retesters Bootcamp



## Credit Appeal



## 9th Grade Students and Parents

Students interested in participating in the IB Diploma Program or IB Math classes in 11th and 12th grades – this message is for YOU!

- Varsity Softball vs Houston  
12:30PM (Delmar)
- JV Softball @ Humble  
Tournament

### Mon. Mar 11th:

- **SPRING BREAK- No School**
- Sophomore Baseball @  
Bellaire 10:00AM
- JV Baseball @ Westside  
12:00PM
- Varsity Baseball vs Heights  
10:00AM (Delmar)

### Tue. Mar 12th:

- **SPRING BREAK- No School**
- Sophomore Baseball vs  
Milby 10:00AM (Field)
- JV Baseball @ Bellaire  
10:00AM
- Varsity Baseball vs Heights  
10:00AM (Delmar)

### Wed. Mar 13th:

- **SPRING BREAK- No School**
- Track @ Porter 9:00AM

### Thu. Mar 14th:

- **SPRING BREAK- No School**
- Robotics @ National  
Championships @ Iowa

### Fri. Mar 15th:

- **SPRING BREAK- No School**
- Robotics @ National  
Championships @ Iowa

### Sat. Mar 16th:

- Color Guard @ Competition

### Mon. Mar 18th:

- Varsity Girls Golf @ Brenham
- Varsity Girls Soccer Playoffs

### Tue. Mar 19th:

- Varsity and JV Boys/Girls Golf  
@ Sienna Plantation

- In order to take the IB Math classes in 11th and 12th grades, students must have completed Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 before 11th grade.
- Students currently in Algebra 1 as 9th graders have the opportunity to take Geometry at Lamar HS in summer school, with a grade review and approval by their Academic Dean.
- There is a fee for the summer school class, which will be determined by the district late in the Spring semester.
- The current published dates for summer school are June 20 – July 26, so please plan to be in town for those dates! Students are usually only allowed one absence during summer school.

**Questions? Contact the 9th Grade Academic Deans listed below:**

**9A and 9B:** Ms. Lawrence [dlawren1@houstonisd.org](mailto:dlawren1@houstonisd.org)

**9C and 9D:** Mrs. Clark-Davis [shante.clarkdavis@houstonisd.org](mailto:shante.clarkdavis@houstonisd.org)


## AP Government Exam Tutorials

Lamar High School

**AP GOVT EXAM TUTORIALS**

AP GOV EXAM IS MONDAY 5/6/24!

SCAN CODE BELOW FOR GREAT REVIEW STUFF!



ALL TUTORIALS WILL BE HELD IN THE 12A MEETING ROOM DURING LUNCH TUTORIALS (12:15-12:45 PM) AND IS OPEN TO ANY AND ALL AP GOVT STUDENTS!

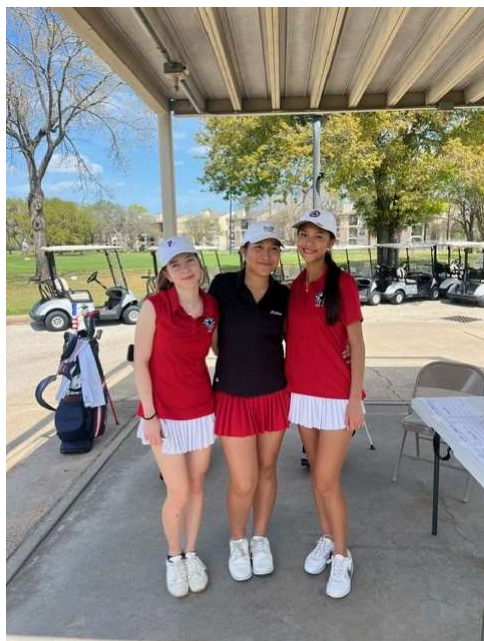
Text "@apgovrev24" to 81010 to join the AP Govt Review Tutorial. Remind so you will get reminders to come!

**AP Govt Tutorial Dates**

- Mon 4/15 (Unit 1)
- Wed 4/17 (Unit 2)
- Mon 4/22 (Unit 3)
- Tue 4/23 (Unit 4)
- Mon 4/29 (Unit 5)
- Tue 4/30 (Final Review)

## Shout Outs:

### Girls Golf



Congratulations to **Yana Zabarov** for shooting a 75 and finishing first place at the district preview tournament at Sharpstown! The tournament consisted of players from Lamar, Bellaire, Heights and Chavez. **Tara Suttitum** finished in third place with a 94 and **Camilla Wood** finished in 4th place with a score of 95. The girls are working hard and getting ready for the district tournament on April 2nd!

### Robotics/DiscoBots

- JV Tennis @ Cy Fair 7:00AM
- Varsity Baseball vs Westside 5:00PM (Delmar)
- Varsity Baseball vs Westside 5:00PM (Delmar)
- Varsity Softball vs Chavez 4:30PM (Delmar)
- Varsity Girls Soccer Playoffs 6:00PM (Deer Park)

#### Wed. Mar 20th:

- **Junior Parent Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)**
- JV Baseball vs Chavez 5:00PM (Field)
- Sophomore Baseball @ Westside 5:00PM
- JV Softball @ Bellaire 5:00PM
- Track @ Pearland
- Developing Boys Golf (away)
- Varsity and JV Girls Golf @ Sienna Planation

#### Thu. Mar 21st:

Rettes @ Nationals

Track @ Rockhold

#### Fri. Mar 22nd:

- Varsity Baseball vs Westside 5:00PM (Delmar)
- Tennis @ Cy Fair
- Varsity Girls Soccer Playoffs Warmup 6:00PM (Dobie)

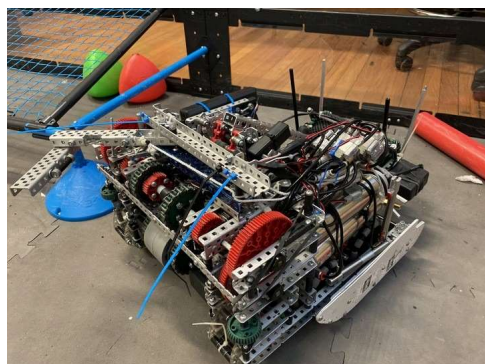
#### Sat. Mar 23rd:

- Sophomore Baseball @ Bellaire 10:00AM
- JV Baseball @ Houston 10:00AM
- STAAR Retesters Bootcamp - English 1 8:00-12:00 (LHS)
- JV Softball vs Westside 10:00AM (Field)
- Theatre @ Bi-District (Bellaire)
- HISD School Choice Fair 8:00-1:00 (gym)

#### Mon. Mar 25th:

Holiday - No school





Lamar DiscoBots prepare for their trip to VEX US Open in Iowa, March 14 thru 17. With assistance from a PTO Grant, the team has integrated several new sensors allowing the robot to be more competitive by detecting game elements and it's relative position on the field.

### Computer Science



Congratulations Campbell Collins, Maria Cruz and Madison Gernhart (not pictured) for winning the NCWIT Awards. National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) leverages the skills and experiences of professionals with diverse backgrounds to further the mission and make sustainable change.

### IB Fees are Past Due

IB Fees are past due. All students who are currently taking an IB course (SL or HL) have been registered for testing. Current seniors must pay the fee to complete senior check out. The actual cost of registering students for courses is \$119 per subject. HISD and Lamar HS take on the majority of costs associated with the registration and administration of exams. Students are asked to cover part of the fee. Whether you are taking one exam or are testing in five subjects, we ask that each student pay \$90 for the school year. Students who complete the Socio Economic form and qualify for additional benefits are asked to pay a reduced fee of \$30 for the school year.

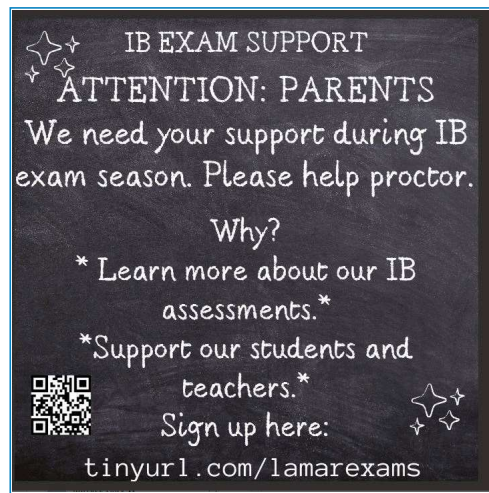
Make payments through School Pay at:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/IB-Registration-Fees/MdWo>

To avoid convenience fees, payments may be made in the business office by cash, money order or cashier's check. IB Fees are non-refundable.

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## IB Exam Assistance



Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you for your support!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848ADAB2EAAFD0-47355864-2024>

Please contact Dr. Acord, our IB DP coordinator, if you have questions: [suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org](mailto:suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org)

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## Theatre

The Lamar Texans Theatre Company is heading to our district UIL One-Act Play Competition this Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at Westside High School. Please come out and support! This is our first step in our journey to the State Competition! We are at Westside High School. We are 3<sup>rd</sup> in the order of performances with the first show going up at 1 p.m. and all shows are back to back. Our performance will begin between 2:30 and 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 at the door and allow to see all 6 shows. We'd love to see you out in the audience cheering on our very talented members of our Company!

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## COLLEGE CORNER



College Corner

<https://bit.ly/lamarcollegecorner>

# Newsletter



## Senior Surveys!

Seniors, you need to complete the senior survey in schoolinks. Once you log into schoolinks, you will see the senior survey on your dashboard.



There are no upcoming college visits

## Connect with Us!

The College Corner has a new Instagram account! Follow our new IG @lamarcollegecorner to keep up with new and key information from the college corner. It's also a great way to connect with colleges, peers, and discover scholarship opportunities.



All campus visits take place during lunch on the 2nd floor landing.

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## FAFSA DUE

House Bill 3 states: Before graduating from high school, each student must complete and submit a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) OR a Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA).

### Priority Deadline April 15, 2024

Maximize your child's possibilities of obtaining free money.

Or sign the Opt Out form.

Parent volunteers are needed. Please be on the look out for the sign up.



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CCMRAdvisingDept@houstonisd.org 713-967-5231



**BIGFUTURE SCHOLARSHIPS**

# Help Students Qualify for \$500 & \$40,000 Scholarships

Help students in the class of 2023, 2024, and 2025 qualify for scholarships by taking steps on BigFuture® to explore careers, plan for college, and pay for college. Every month, BigFuture will award \$40,000 scholarships and \$500 scholarships to students who complete steps on BigFuture. There are no minimum GPA, test score, citizenship status, or family income requirements. The more steps students complete and the earlier they start, the more opportunity they have to win. Their entries for each month will be included in future drawings. Students whose families earn less than \$60,000 per year have extra chances at BigFuture Scholarships and earn double the entries for every drawing.

- 1 Start Your Career List**  
Students explore careers that match their interests.  
**Start:** Any time  
**Deadline:** By the end of February of students' senior year

**2 Build Your College List**  
Students search for colleges and add six or more to their list.  
**Start:** Any time  
**Deadline:** By June 30 of students' junior year

**3 Start Your Scholarship List**  
Students find other scholarships to help them pay for college.  
**Start:** July 1 before students' senior year  
**Deadline:** By the end of February of students' senior year


**4 Strengthen Your College List**  
Students ensure their list has a mix of schools – at least three reach, two match, and one safety.  
**Start:** July 1 before students' senior year  
**Deadline:** By October 31 of students' senior year

**5 Complete the FAFSA**  
Students fill out the free government form to apply for financial aid. Students legally ineligible to complete the FAFSA can still win.  
**Start:** October 1 of students' senior year  
**Deadline:** By the end of February of students' senior year

**6 Apply to Colleges**  
Students apply to at least two colleges they want to attend.  
**Start:** October 1 of students' senior year  
**Deadline:** By the end of February of students' senior year


Get started at: [bigfuture.org/scholarships](https://bigfuture.org/scholarships) 

\*The "Start Your Career List" step is only open to the class of 2023 and 2025.  
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## Digital SAT® & ACT® - Experience it Now

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The ACT & SAT, which cover the entirety of your child's high school learning, can seem daunting and overwhelming. To add to this, for the class of 2025 and younger, the College Board is switching the SAT from a written to a digital format. Revolution Prep is ready to support students and their families in preparing for their official college admissions exams and the transition to digital by offering ACT® and digital SAT practice tests.

We've carefully modeled our digital testing experience after the official test, so that students feel confident in navigating the intricacies of the new digital format—the closest experience to the real thing that you can get!

If your child is prepared, they'll feel less overwhelmed. **The best way to prepare is to practice.** Proctored practice tests are an opportunity for your child to work on pacing and endurance in a setting that best simulates the test day environment. Plus, you can see your child's score instantly in the Revolution Prep mobile app or student dashboard!

**How it works**


- 1 Register for your digital SAT and/or ACT practice test at <https://www.revolutionprep.com/testers/0419/>.
- 2 Instantly receive our best-in-class score report, illustrating three high-impact areas to focus on for each section of the test (math, reading, and writing).
- 3 Turn your child's goals into an individualized plan by scheduling a time to go over your score report with a Revolution Prep team member at <https://www.revolutionprep.com/office-hours/>.

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- Professional educators and research-backed methodology
- 100+ academic, test prep, and learning skills offered

**Upcoming practice tests**

				
Digital SAT	Saturday February 3, 2024	1100 am - 2:00 pm	Online	
ACT	Saturday March 23, 2024	1100 am - 3:00 pm	Online	

Scan here to register.



Have questions? Contact your dedicated Academic Advisor

Cynthia Vasquez	(424) 214-2375	<a href="mailto:cynthia.vasquez@revolutionprep.com">cynthia.vasquez@revolutionprep.com</a>
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Scholarship Opportunities

<https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/181035>

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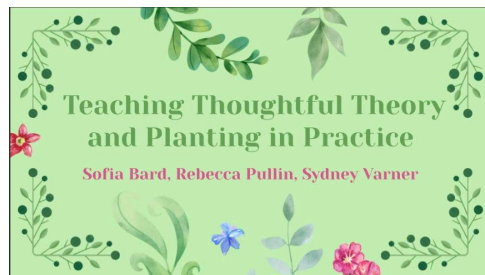
## Writing Lab

Congratulations to the Writing Lab! The Writing Lab will field three virtual presentation panels at the **Secondary School Writing Center Association annual conference** over spring break, March 15-16!



### Growth, Limitation, and Structure: The Autonomous Solarium of Writers

Abdullah Bitar, Pam Crawford, Alim Makanov



### Teaching Thoughtful Theory and Planting in Practice

Sofia Bard, Rebecca Pullin, Sydney Varner





## Future Tense: What Writing Centers Can Do to Humanize Writers for "The Real World"

Katie Keller, Annie Lowe

## Lamar Summer Sports Camp



## Wonderworks

The application period for [Wonderworks](#)' Summer 2024 Pre-College Enrichment Programs for academically promising and talented high school students is **now open**. The programs take place on the University of Houston and Rice University campuses.

6 programs are offered, **June 17 – July 19, 2024**:

- Architecture
  - Art History
  - Fiction/Creative Writing
  - Filmmaking
  - Journalism / Nonfiction
  - Politics/Law/Government
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- Programs are academically challenging but enjoyable and taught by college and college-level teachers with college level content and modes of presentation.
  - Admissions are competitive, based on PSAT/SAT/ACT scores and high school coursework/grades, supplemented, only if requested, by teacher/counselor assessments.
  - Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis, with early decisions for early applications.
  - Wonderworks has always made sure that any student who is admitted and demonstrates financial need receives a scholarship in the form of a full-tuition waiver.

To learn more and/or complete the application form, visit [www.wonderworkshouston.org](http://www.wonderworkshouston.org).

## Class of 2024 Senior Information

Keep up with Senior events and news here, on Instagram and Twitter.

Remind app: Seniors 2024

code: @Texans2024

We will need parent volunteers throughout the year - please make sure and get your VIPS approval. The VIPS process is quick and easy online. <https://www.houstonisdpsd.org/dmol/VIPS/index.html#/>

## Cady - Cap and Gown Photo Orders



Parents and Seniors, Cap & Gown portraits are now available to view and purchase online through CADY! New items include tassel frames, yard signs and face fans featuring your student's Cap & Gown images. Celebrate this special achievement during graduation season! Deadline to order your items to receive them by Graduation is **Thursday, April 4th**.

Click below to order now!

[cady.com/capgown24](http://cady.com/capgown24)

## Order Panoramic Pictures

If you missed Goldbeck on campus, you can still order panoramic pictures:

<https://www.goldbeckcompany.com/online-order.php>



### 2024 Senior Dues

*Includes:*

*Senior Sunrise, Senior Breakfast, Senior T-shirt, Senior Rally Rag, Senior Stampede Events, Graduation Package (Diploma Cover, Diploma, transcripts, etc.), Senior Sunset, Senior Gift and Other Surprises.*

#### OPTION 1:

**Early Bird Special Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 5th \$90**

**All the above plus Prom Ticket-**

**Early Bird Special Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 5<sup>th</sup> -\$170**

#### OPTION 2:

**Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>- End of Year - \$140**

**Prom Ticket NOT included**

**Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>- End of Year plus Prom Ticket- \$230**

***School Pay Link:***

Class of 2024 Senior Dues After December 5th \$140.00

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Class-of-2024-Senior-Dues-After-December/ScsFKF>

Class of 2024 Senior Dues After December 5th Plus Prom Ticket \$230.00

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Class-of-2024-Senior-Dues-After-December/Sc77PGc>

### IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2024 DATES

August 28, 2023 Senior Sunrise  
October 4, 2023 College Fair  
October 21, 2023 HOCO Dance  
November 16th, 2023 Herff Jones -Cap and Gown Orders  
January 11, 2024 Senior Breakfast  
January 11, 2024 Panoramic Photo  
January 25, 2024 Herff Jones- Cap and Gown Orders  
February 24, 2024 LHS Fest  
April 20, 2024 Prom-BCEC  
June 3, 2024 Senior Day  
June 3, 2024 Senior Sunset  
June 4 & 5, 2024 Senior Checkout  
June Graduation

***Yearbook, Panoramic Photo, Cap & Gown are NOT included in Senior Dues***

All Cap & Gowns are ordered through Herff Jones <mailto:https://highschool.herffjones.com/>

**Price increase March 1st**

**\*\* May not purchase Prom ticket until all fees and dues are paid.**

## Rugby



What is RUGBY?

We need you! Everyone gets a chance with the ball.

Practice is every Tuesday and Thursday after school 4:15-6:00PM - the back field by the greenhouse.

Come out and give it a try! Contact the coach and other players at

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GIX184XcprSA2pLrDj6Ny> or text 786-925-6416 for details



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