



Lamar High School

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Principal's Corner



The 11th and 12th graders taking Arabic, French, Mandarin, or Spanish classes with SL2 or HL2 in the course name, will begin taking required IB oral assessments on Feb. 21st. Teachers have shared test times with all students. Students must arrive on time to the 4th floor landing. Students may be able to reschedule with their teacher if they have an excused absence from school. Students should inform teachers now if they know they will not be at school on their assigned oral assessment day. Please contact your child's language teacher if you have questions.

Highlighted Events:

Sat. Feb 11th: Credit Appeal (LHS) 9:00-3:00

Tue. Feb 14th: PTO Food Sale 11:45-12:45

Sat. Feb 18th: Credit Appeal (LHS) 9:00-3:00

Shout Outs:



Girls Wrestling won the District 11 6A C tournament. They are district Champs!

Congratulations!

Margot Royston finished 1st in her class (District Champ).

Upcoming Events:

Wed. Feb 8th:

- Freshman Girls Basketball @ Galena Park 4:30PM
- JV Red Girls Soccer vs Bellaire TBA (LHS)
- JV Girls Golf (Gleannloch Pines)
- Varsity Girls Soccer Chavez (Burnett) 7:45PM
- JV Girls Basketball @ Bellaire 7:30PM
- Freshman Boys Basketball vs Bellaire (LHS) 6:00PM
- JV Boys Basketball vs Bellaire (LHS) 7:30PM
- HISD Jr High District 2 5:30 (LHS)
- Varsity Boys Soccer Chavez (Burnett) 7:45PM

Thu. Feb 9th:

- Track and Field @ Dawson 3:30-8:30PM
- Beginner Golf @ Channelview
- Volleyball Banquet (LHS) 6:00-8:00PM

Fri. Feb 10th:

- Varsity Basketball @ Cy Falls 4:30PM
- Varsity Tennis @ Lake Cup

Jada West finished 2nd in her class.

Natalia Rodriguez finished 3rd in her class.

Joselyn Lopez finished 4th in her class.

Josselyn Orellana finished 5th in her class.

Caroline Hellman finished 2nd in her class.

Gabriella Hernandez finished 2nd in her class

Angie Maldonado finished 3rd in her class.

Viviana Lopez finished 2nd in her class

JV Boys Golf

Congratulations JV boys team for getting fourth place out of 12 teams. A special congratulations to **Alex Estrada** for shooting an 86 which earned him fifth place individually!!

Band

Congratulations Band on an enormously positive day for our program! Our students earned 33 Division 1 ratings and 8 Division 2 ratings at UIL Solo & Ensemble with 24 students qualifying for State Contest in May.

Special shout-out for **Zoe N** and **Leo H** for qualifying for State as both a soloist and in an ensemble. Seniors leading the way!

Writing Lab

Congratulations to Lamar's Scholastic Writing Award Winners!

Gold Key Winner
Eva Starkey
Short Story, "The False God, The Warrior and the Outcast"
Sponsor: Mr. Allred

Silver Key Winner
Pam Crawford
Critical Essay, "The Unspoken Toxicity of Gym Culture on Social Media and How It Affects Us All"
Sponsor: Dr. Lowe

Silver Key Winner
Michael Hamad
Poetry, "A Tree Sees"
Poetry, "Just Wait Five Minutes"
Poetry, "A Blizzard in My Inferno"
Sponsor: Dr. Gurumurthy

Honorable Mention
Eva Starkey
Poetry, "Manipulation Is Not a Crime"
Sponsor: Mr. Allred

Honorable Mention
Mischa Wiesekera
Poetry, "I am From Everywhere"
Poetry, "Who am I"
Sponsor: Mr. Allred

Van Dusen 200th Win



Congratulations to Coach Van Dusen on his 200th career victory!

- Debate @ Seven Lakes
- Freshman Boys Basketball vs Heights (LHS) 6:00PM
- JV Boys Basketball vs Heights (LHS) 7:30PM
- Varsity Boys Golf @ Eagle Point

Sat. Feb 11th:

- Debate @ Seven Lakes
- Varsity Boys Golf @ Eagle Point
- Track and Field @ Spring 8:00-5:00
- Credit Appeal (LHS) 9:00-3:00
- JV Softball @ Aldine McArthur 10:00AM
- Varsity Softball @ Aldine McArthur 11:30AM
- JV Baseball @ Cy Falls 12:00PM
- Sophomore Baseball @ Cy Falls 10:00AM

Mon. Feb 13th:

- Varsity Boys Golf (Sweetwater)
- Varsity Baseball @ Montgomery
- JV Red Girls Soccer vs Ridge Point

Tue. Feb 14th:

- PTO Food Sale 11:45-12:45
- JV Tennis @ Deer Park
- JV Baseball @ Montgomery 5:00PM
- Sophomore Baseball @ Montgomery 6:30PM
- Varsity Girls Soccer vs Bellaire (Delmar) 7:45PM
- Varsity Boys Soccer (Dyer) 7:45PM

Wed. Feb 15th:

- Track and Field @ Manvel 3:30-8:30PM
- Big Brother Big Sister 11:00-1:00 (Away)
- JV Boys Golf (Bayou Golf Club)

Job Fair

CALLING ALL LAMAR STUDENTS!
EXPLORE CAREER PATHS, INTERNSHIPS OR GET A JOB AT THE...

LHS Career Kickstart Job Fair

WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 10 AM - 2 PM
WHERE: LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL, GYMNASIUM
3325 WESTHEIMER RD. HOUSTON, TX 77098

IN-PERSON JOB & INTERNSHIP FAIR: OPEN TO ALL GRADE LEVELS

AT THE FAIR, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO EXPLORE CAREER PATHS BY DOING HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES LIKE LABS OR LARGE-SCALE SIMULATIONS, ATTEND A RESUME WRITING OR BEST INTERVIEW PRACTICES WORKSHOP, INTERVIEW WITH BUSINESSES FOR PART-TIME, FULL-TIME, OR INTERNSHIP POSITIONS AND POSSIBLY GET HIRED ON THE SPOT!



Questions? Contact rgayle@houstonisd.org

Students from last year's fair have internships with Smart Financial, work positions at the Houston Zoo, and MUCH MORE!

AP/IB Saturday Academy

AP/IB Saturday Academy #2

Need to Practice for Your AP or IB Exam? Join us for AP/IB Saturday Academy!
Review skills and content to prepare for AP Exams and IB Exams.

February 25, 2023
Waltrip High School
1900 W 34th St., Houston, TX 77018

Future Dates:
March 25, 2023 | April 15, 2023

FREE BREAKFAST (8:00am - 9:00am)
Prizes Giveaways

Register online at: <https://bit.ly/HISDServiceAcademy2>

Sessions		
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
9:00am - 9:55am	10:00am - 10:55am	11:00am - 11:55am
AP Courses		IB Courses
Arts: AP 2-D, 3-D, and Drawing English: AP English Language, AP English Literature History and Social Sciences: AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP Macroeconomics, AP Microeconomics, AP United States Government and Politics, AP United States History, AP World History: Modern Math: AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics Science: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1 World Languages: AP Spanish Language		Arts: IB Fine Arts Individuals and Societies: IB History of the Americas English: IB Language and Literature and IB Literature IB Core: TOK & Extended Essay Math: IB Math AA, IB Math AI Science: IB Biology IB Physics Language Acquisition: IB Spanish
Sessions for All Students College 101 - Informational session about preparing for college College Application and Financial Aid Completion Lab ***** Special AP/IB Teacher Only Session: Teacher Collaboration *****		

HISD Postsecondary Programming
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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.

- Varsity Boys Basketball vs Bellaire (Butler) 7:30PM

Thu. Feb 16th:

- Track and Field @ Dawson 12:00-7:00 PM
- Varsity Softball @ Goose Creek TBA
- Tennis @ Cy Fair

Fri. Feb 17th:

- JV Baseball @ Ridge Point 4:30PM
- Sophomore Baseball @ Ridge Point 6:30PM
- JV Red Girls Soccer @ Clear Springs TBA
- Varsity Boys Soccer v Heights (Dyer) 6:00PM
- Varsity Girls Soccer v Heights (Delmar) 6:00PM
- Varsity Swim UIL State (Austin)

Sat. Feb 18th:

- Varsity Swim UIL State (Austin)
- Credit Appeal (LHS) 9:00-3:00
- Varsity Softball @ Goose Creek
- Band Contest @ Goose Creek
- Varsity Baseball vs Ridge Point (LHS) 11:00AM
- Theatre @ Atascocita

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

Testing Updates

Interim STAAR exams – February 28 – March 2

All 9th – 11th graders scheduled to take STAAR EOC exams this school year, will take Interim STAAR exams February 28 – March 2. These practice exams will be used to identify students in need of extra assistance as we prepare for the EOC (End of Course exams) in April/May. All testing will be conducted using the students' HISD laptops. Students must bring their fully charged laptop and charger. We do not have extra devices to loan.

February 28 – English 1 (9th grade), English 2 (10th grade), US History (11th grade)

March 1 – Algebra 1 (9th grade)

March 2 – Biology (9th grade)

February 28 - We will have an modified bell schedule. All 9th, 10th, and 11th graders will report to an assigned testing location. All 12th graders will report to the Performance Hall for important Senior graduation activities. Attendance will be taken.

Modified Bell schedule on February 28 (A day)

Period	Start	End	Note
Testing	8:30	11:45	
Lunch	11:45	12:45	
2nd	12:55	1:40	45 minute class
3rd	1:45	2:30	45 minute class
1st	2:35	3:20	45 minute class
4th	3:25	4:10	45 minute class

11th grade SAT – March 22nd

All current Lamar 11th graders have been registered to take the school day SAT 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. Students arriving late will not be allowed to test. For more information about the SAT, please visit the College Board website. Calculators will be provided for the SAT. Score reports from the Fall 2022 PSAT and SAT are available on the [College Board website](#).

Yearbooks

We are ordering a limited supply of yearbooks this year and intend to sell out. We will not be ordering extras apart from pre-orders and only have 50 copies left to sell. If you would like to reserve a copy for yourself, please do so at www.yearbookordercenter.com Our school code is **25147**.

Trip to Japan

We're going to Japan in Summer 2024 and your student is invited!

Come hear all the details, including the itinerary, activities, academic opportunities and the cost of our trip at our upcoming informational meeting on Feb 16th at 6:00PM. Please click here to register for the

The meeting will also mark the official opening of enrollment!

There are limited spots on this tour, so we would love to have you attend this meeting to learn more about this exciting opportunity!

Photo Link

The Yearbook team is offering free downloads to pictures we've taken throughout the year of any school sports and events. Click here to access: www.tinyurl.com/lamarphotos

UHD



The UHD Scholars Academy
The UHD Scholars Academy (SA) is an academically competitive program in the College of Science and Technology (CST) that provides scholarship and student success for UHD undergraduate students majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). A core part of our mission is to increase the number of academically capable students graduating with degrees in the STEM fields, and to increase the number of those choosing to further pursue graduate and professional degrees. This competitive program is made possible by The Brown Foundation, Inc., National Institute of Health, National Science Foundation, U.S. Army Research Office, U.S. Department of Education, Welch Foundation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, UHD Alumni, and Wagner Power.

Contact the Scholars Academy
Website: www.uhd.edu/scholars
Email: academy@uhd.edu
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Houston, TX 77002-1001 Fresh Workforce Commission
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One Main St., Houston, Texas 77002
Technical Contact: Dr. Mary Jo Parker, PFA Science Academy, Exec. Dir.
Dr. Jang, Yehnaz, Yuan, Yang, Standee Co-PIs

Camp Participants Receive
Training in research & opportunity to earn a certificate enhancing employment opportunities
A completed online application available at:
• Proof of citizenship or permanent residency (WVA eligibility)
• Recommendation letter from a science and math teacher
• One-page student essay
• Parent letter of recommendation
• Unofficial transcripts
• Sign all informed consent forms
• **Self deadline:**
All application information due by: March 1, 2023
Online Application: https://uhdforms.formstack.com/forms/ttc_application_2023

UHD Texas Talent Connection Cyber & Other Security Research Program 2023-2024

Texas Governor's Office & Texas Workforce Commission Program

University of Houston-Downtown
March 2023–July 2023
Rising 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and current
UHD SA member undergraduates
Industrial and Biomedical Microbiology/Virology specialties
Petroleum Refining/Chemistry specialties
Cybersecurity and certifications
Mentored Research-Experiences & Experiments
Training Series-Research, Internship, Other Topics
Speaker Series
Finding the Right College & Career Path

UHD STEM CyberSecurities Program 2023
A Program for High School Students (14yrs-21yrs) who are interested in Industrial Microbiology and Chemistry and nanotechnology, Computational Chemistry and 3-D molecular Design Software, Robotic Coding/CyberSecurities Training & College-Workforce Success
Application Deadline: March 1, 2023 (Soft)

Online Application Instructions
Carefully read all questions and complete the entire application found at: https://uhdforms.formstack.com/forms/ttc_application_2023
All requested items needed to complete the UHD STEM CyberSecurities program application **MUST be uploaded at the URL listed above at ONE TIME.**
All electronic application information is highly confidential meeting all FERPA requirements.
The application will ask you questions about:
• Personal and Contact Information about yourself and your parent/s or guardians
• Educational information about yourself
• Your Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) interest areas
• How you came to know about this training program
• Finally, Student and Parental Acknowledgements and Permissions and other necessary uploadable documents complete the online electronic application process!

Student and Parental Acknowledgements and Permissions:
I voluntarily certify that this information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the UHD STEM CyberSecurities Training program personnel at University of Houston-Downtown (UHD) and the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to review all submitted application materials, including proof of residence, academic records and standardized test scores as submitted through this application for the purpose of selection to the UHD STEM Training Program and is sponsored by the Other than Texas Commission Higher Education Institutions and the Texas Workforce Commission. If selected for this program, I understand that this information will be kept confidential and will be used in aggregate form only with an individual disclosure occurring before or after the end of the award period. If accepted, I further authorize the staff use of photographs and release of appropriate information deemed necessary for publication by the University of Houston Scholars Academy and the Texas Workforce Commission.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If under the age of 18, parent's signature is required.)
Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please upload this signed form with your Online Application for the UHD STEM CyberSecurities Program.

Click here for the application:
https://uhdforms.formstack.com/forms/ttc_application_2023

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.

HOPE Scholarship



**Lamar HS Alumni Association
Hope
Scholarship**



REQUIREMENTS

- ✔ U.S. Citizen
- ✔ Family income less than 80k
- ✔ Attend Texas college or university
- ✔ 2.5-3.3 Unweighted GPA
- ✔ Submit 400-500 word essay

bit.ly/lhsalumnischolarship

APPLY NOW

Deadline: February 20th 2023

\$10,000 value!

Application in College corner!



CITGO Petroleum Corporation announces the [2023 Distinguished Scholars Program](#) to assist students who plan to continue their education in a two or four-year university. Up to forty (40) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to select graduates of the class of 2024. Scholarships are available in a variety of categories:

Categories: Scholarships will be awarded in the following categories: *Beating the Odds, Career and Technical Education, Communications, Performing and Fine Arts, STEM, Service and/or Leadership, Spirit, and Student Athletics. Students will select one category to be considered for.*

Beating the Odds This category is for a student who has achieved his or her personal best while overcoming obstacles and challenges. The student has shown grit and perseverance in reaching a personal, career, or academic goal.

Career and Technical Education (CTE) This category is for a student who has a clear education and career pathway in place and successfully completed CTE courses. Students in this category may have already earned certifications in his/her field.

Communications This category is for a student who excels in any area of the communications field, including journalism, speech and debate, social media, multi-media, yearbook, photography, and photojournalism.

Performing and Fine Arts This category is for a student who shines in any of the visual or performing arts such as band, color guard, choir, theater, orchestra, dance, drawing, painting, mixed media, Comedy Sportz, 3D animation, and graphic design.

Service and/or Leadership This category is for a student who is a leader at school and an example to others with their participation in service in the community and on campus. Students set positive examples for others and have the personal fortitude and integrity to do what is right even when in the minority.

Spirit This category is for a student who is a positive influence on others and keeps school spirit alive and well, in and out of school. Students in this category build a cohesive community and a culture of belonging.

Student-Athlete This category is for a student who is an example to others with their equal dedication to work in the classroom and their dedication and work in athletics. Students in this category are leaders in good sportsmanship and bring their teammates together on and off the field.

Newsletter Link:

- Lamar Alumni Scholarship is now open
- Free Practice SAT/ACT is available for Juniors
- College Admission Appeals

<https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:1b9d586d-2b05-31f0-b16e-7d196918f319>

I SUBMITTED MY FAFSA/TASFA- WHAT'S NEXT?

Submitted financial aid but unsure what to do next?

Join us
Thursday, February
23rd at 2:00 p.m.
OR 6:00 p.m. on MS
Teams

6:00 pm: bit.ly/CO23FA

2:00 pm: bit.ly/co23FA

Senior Information

Senior Dues

Includes:

Senior Sunrise, Senior Sunset, Senior Breakfast, Monthly Events, Graduation Diploma, Diploma Cover, Transcripts and Senior Gift

Early Bird Special Aug. 22nd- Dec 2nd \$90

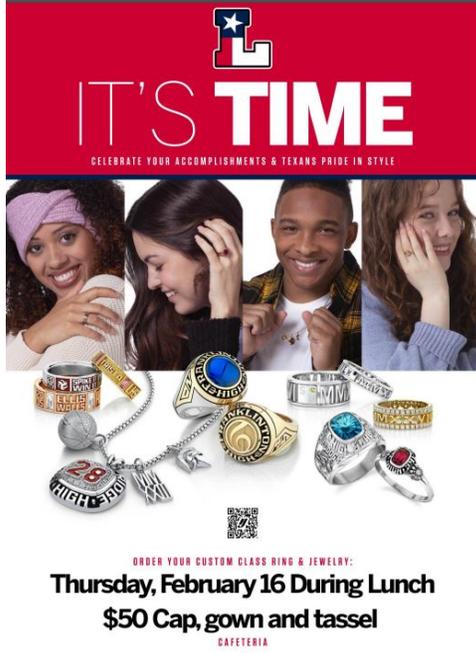
Dec. 7th -Apr 3rd \$140

Apr. 4th-End of Year \$160

School Pay Link:

<https://schoolpay.com/link/LHSClassof-2023>

Herff Jones will be on campus one last time for cap and gown orders.



IT'S TIME
CELEBRATE YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS & TEXANS PRIDE IN STYLE

ORDER YOUR CUSTOM CLASS RING & JEWELRY:
Thursday, February 16 During Lunch
\$50 Cap, gown and tassel

CAFETERIA



The Last Fun Food Fundraiser!

DONATION OPPORTUNITY

February 14th is Valentines Day and it is also Lamar's last Fun Food fundraiser for the year. The students will have Chick Fil A sandwiches, chips, soda and candy to purchase during lunch on this day. Proceeds benefit the PTO and allow us to fund Teacher Wish List items in the fall and spring, Teacher Appreciation Meals and much more. If you would like to contribute items for us to sell on this event please see the links below.

Amazon items delivered for you: [AMAZON WISH LIST](#)

Purchase and drop off items: [SIGN UP GENIUS](#)

[VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY](#)

IB Assessment Season February - May!

[VIPS](#)

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PTO UPCOMING EVENTS

Fun Food Valentine's Day Fundraiser

February 14th

Lunchtime

PTO General Meeting

March 8th

6pm - 7pm

Grand Hall

Thank you Corporate Sponsors!

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