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# Weekly Newsletter

JANUARY 22-26, 2024

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## Peek at the Week

**Monday, Jan 22: 3:30-4:30:** Debate Practice (206), Robotics Practice (133), Dance Practice (Cafeteria)

**Tuesday, Jan 23, 345-515:** Cheer Practice, Dance Practice, Girls Soccer Practice (Baldwin Park)

**Wednesday, Jan 24:** CIEE Study Abroad Scholarship Deadline

**Wednesday, Jan 24, 3:30-4:30:** Debate (113), Interact (Go Center), Robotics (119A)

**Wednesday, Jan 24, 345-515:** Boys Soccer Practice (Baldwin Park)

**Thursday, Jan 25:** Campus Lunar New Year Waiver Day

**Thursday, Jan 25, 345-515:** Cheer Practice (Gym)

**Thursday, Jan 25, 3:30-4:30:** Dance Practice (Cafeteria).

**Thursday, Jan 25, 345-515:** Boys Soccer Practice (Baldwin Park)

**Thursday, Jan 25, 4:30-6:00:** Boys and Girls BB Practice (BCM Ryan)

**Friday, Jan 26, 6-9pm:** Homecoming Dance

**Saturday, Jan 27, 10-11:30am:** Boys BB Game vs SECHS @ JFA



\*\*\*There are **no after school** activities on Fridays\*\*\*

## Upcoming Events

Feb 2: Progress Report Day

Feb 5-9: HISD Counseling Week

Feb 10: Girls BB Game

Feb 15: Senior Cap/Gown Picture Day

Feb 16: Lunar New Year Celebration

Feb 17: USTEM Robotics Under Cooked Tournament

Feb 22: Black History Month Campus Waiver Day

Feb 23: Go Texan Day

## Announcements



**THE CUT-OFF TIME TO PICK STUDENTS UP EARLY IS 2:45PM**

- ▷ **Student Drop Off & Pick Up:** Please utilize the left-side of Stuart as a drop off/pick up lane between the hours of (730-745; 300-345). The right side is reserved for our HISD busses. Student cannot be picked up early past 245; they must remain in class until dismissal at 330pm.
- ▷ **Fri-Yay Treat Donations Needed:** Help show support of HAIS faculty and staff with our Fri-YAY Treat program. Sign up [here](#) to show your appreciation.
- ▷ **Transportation Concerns/Requests:** If you have transportation needs (new request, change of address, stop change request due to concerns) click here to [complete our campus transportation tracking form](#)\*. \*Note that there is a minimum 2-week district processing time. Please be sure to arrange for alternative transportation until you received your transportation update from the district and/or me.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS?

Review the [Homework and Assignment Tracker](#) to check in with your students' academic progress, see their weekly learning objective, and note any important class announcements. Navigate through the tabs at the bottom of the page to view different subject areas. If you have questions about a particular assignment, please contact the teacher.

## Student Services

Please scan for assistance with the campus counselor or campus Wraparound Specialist.

## Reasons to Submit a SAF

|  | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
|  My mom lost her job  | ✓   |    |
|  Life is wonderful!   |     | ✗  |
|  I broke up with my partner                                       | ✓   |    |
|  Classes are tough and I am struggling with keeping my grades up. | ✓   |    |
|  I am fine!   |     | ✗  |
|  I don't have the resources to feel successful in school          | ✓   |    |
|  I don't know   |     | ✗  |
|  I feel sad all the time  | ✓   |    |
|  I have concerns about issues going on with my family            | ✓   |    |
|  My best friend told me that his dad passed away                | ✓   |    |





# HCC Information

## Helpful HCC Resources

Want to know how to log into your Canvas? What do you do if you have trouble accessing your HCC Email? How do you register for academic services?

Check out our HCC Resources page [here](#).

## Student Travel Opportunities

Follow @HAISstudyabroad on Twitter and Instagram and check out our **updated** [website](#) for more information on upcoming deadlines. **Don't miss out on your chance to see the world!**

**2024-2025 Applications are now open!**

**CIEE Secondary Scholarship Deadline: January 24, 2024**



**Study abroad this summer, experience the world!**



LANGUAGE ARTS STEM BUSINESS SOCIAL CHANGE

**Choose from 35+ amazing global destinations and study abroad for 3 to 4 weeks.**

Immerse yourself in a new language and culture or focus on your passion, whether it's theater, creative writing, wildlife conservation, engineering, social justice or entrepreneurship, and more.

Meet like-minded teens from all over the U.S. to explore and learn together in the real world.

**Come home with new skills, new friends, and memories to last a lifetime.**

**Ask about our scholarships!**  
Every year, we award more than \$6 million based on academic merit and financial need.

**Apply by December 1 for a chance to win a free flight!**

*"It was one of the best experiences of my life. I learned so many new things about language, culture and myself"*  
- Wynne H.  
CIEE Global Navigator Alum

*"It was a positive and transformative experience for both of my children"*  
- Peter B.  
Parent of CIEE Global Navigator Alum



[ciee.org/summer2024](https://ciee.org/summer2024) (866) 583 0332 [hsabroad@ciee.org](mailto:hsabroad@ciee.org) @cieeglobalnavigators





#### All our programs combine

- ☑ **Interactive classes** you won't want to miss, all taught by local teachers and experts.
- ☑ **Daily cultural activities** and excursions to top landmarks and attractions.
- ☑ **24/7 support** from our local and U.S.-based teams.

9 out of 10 alumni say they improved communication skills and became more independent & globally-aware.\*

#### WHY CHOOSE CIEE?

We've been around for over 75 years and are the largest study abroad nonprofit organization in the country. Each year, we support over 40,000 students!

#### Good to know

- **Dates:**
  - Language programs last 4 weeks.
  - All other programs last 3 weeks.
  - Session 1 starts June 2\*\*, 9 or 16.
  - Session 2 starts June 30\*\* or July 7.
- **Eligibility:**
  - Complete grade 9 - graduating seniors.
- **Housing:**
  - Host families on language programs and select program locations.
  - Shared accommodations on other programs.
- **Tuition**
  - Starts at \$4,750 and includes housing, all meals, classes, activities, ground transportation abroad, and student travel insurance.
  - Tuition does not include airfare, passport or visa costs.
  - Scholarships can cover up to 100% of tuition costs.

#### WHY STUDY ABROAD?

- See the world and broaden your horizons.
- Meet high school students from all over the U.S. who share your interests!
- On Language & Culture programs, earn 4 college credits\*\*\* and the Global Seal of Biliteracy\*\*\*\*.
- On select Social Change programs, earn up to 50 hours of service learning.
- Stand out on college applications.

Explore more at [ciee.org/summer2024](https://ciee.org/summer2024)

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All dates and details subject to change. Check our website for latest information.  
\*CIEE post-program satisfaction survey 2017-2022 \*\*Only Paris Language & Culture program due to 2024 Olympics \*\*\*Optional and requires payment of an additional \$150 transcription fee to our school of record \*\*\*\*Earning the Global Seal of Biliteracy requires a final score of 5 (Intermediate-Mid) or higher in all 4 testing categories.



#### What is AMIGOS?

AMIGOS offers summer immersion and service learning programs in Latin America for students aged 15-19. You'll volunteer with local organizations, practice your Spanish, live with a host family, and experience life in a new country!



#### Summer 2024 Program Offerings

- 2 weeks**  
Group Travel Only
- 2-3 weeks**  
Group Travel with Homestay
- 4-9 weeks**  
Community Immersion with Extended Homestay



#### Earn Service Hours and College Credit



Get 12 service hours per week volunteering with organizations like the National Park Service, a women-led agricultural cooperative, or a sea turtle protection agency. Register to receive up to 3 college credits.



#### Live Like a Local

Practice your Spanish, live with a host family, and become part of the community! Explore areas most tourists don't get to see.



#### Choose the Project for You

Whether you're looking for a six-week homestay or a two-week group trip, we have a variety of two, three, four, and six-week projects to fit your schedule and interests.



Attend a virtual information session or chat with a program counselor!

## Kennedy Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Abroad

A program of the U.S. Department of State, [the YES Abroad program](#) provides scholarships for eligible American high school students and recent graduates to live with host families and attend a local high school for an academic year in countries like Egypt, Ghana, India, Senegal, Thailand, Turkey and more. YES Abroad students promote mutual understanding between the U.S. and the host country by building relationships with the local community. We expect the 2024-25 program application to open in September 2023 –click [HERE](#) to be notified when the application opens!

## National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y)

A program of the U.S. Department of State, [the NSLI-Y program](#) provides scholarships for eligible American high school students and recent graduates to learn one of eight critical languages: Persian, Indonesian, Hindi, Turkish, Chinese (Mandarin), Russian, Korean, and Arabic! Summer and academic year programs are available, with all programs including language instruction, cultural lessons and activities, conversation practice with local peers, and a host family component. We expect the 2024-25 program application to open in September 2023 –click [HERE](#) to be notified when the application opens.

## CELEBRATING ALL THINGS HAIS



### #PhoenixRising

SHOUT OUT GOES TO...

**HCC Dual-Credit Team:** For conducting grade level dual-credit orientations to optimize student success.

- Ms. Alderete

**Ms. Lopez and Ms. Shepard:** For overseeing another successful 11th grade capstone season.

- Ms. Alderete

Have you caught a colleague, faculty/staff member, or student doing something above and beyond? Let's recognize it.

[Submit your Shout Out for next week's newsletter.](#)

## GET INVOLVED!

## INNERVIEW - HOW TO

**Families and Students can still register to volunteer with us!**

### Track Your Volunteer Hours

Did you know you can earn graduation regalia by completing 200 hours during your time at HAIS? Use our tracking system on Innerview. If you need assistance on how to get started, see below or Ms. Alderete.

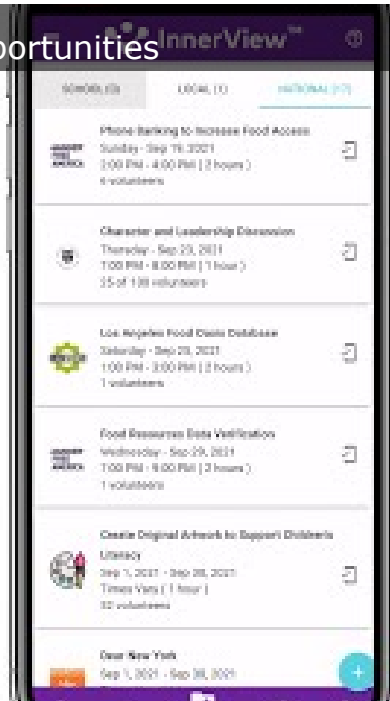
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## Finding Volunteer Opportunities

### Service Opportunities

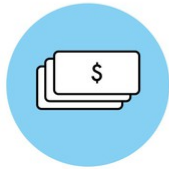


PTO





**We need your help to make the  
2022-2023 school year a success!**



### **Donate to the PTO!**

If every Hais family donates \$50, the PTO will be able to fund the Halloween Dance, gifts for teachers and staff, and so much more.



### **Volunteer your time!**

We will have many opportunities throughout the year to help.



### **Sign Up Genius!**

Watch for opportunities to donate food, supplies, and more throughout the year.

To donate and for more information:

[haispto.org](https://haispto.org)  
[haispto@gmail.com](mailto:haispto@gmail.com)

## **Purchase Hais Gear and Support Your Hais PTO**

Show off your Hais pride and support the Hais PTO. You are able to choose your color of choice for most items. Check out the site and order now!

[Click here to place your order and have it delivered directly to you.](#)





## Shop Online, Donate to HAIS

**Online shopping?** Shop Amazon through <https://smile.amazon.com/>, and Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to your favorite charitable organization. Please consider selecting "HAIS PTO" as your AmazonSmile charitable organization!



## HAIS

Through **international studies**, a **personalized environment** and a **college preparatory curriculum**, HAIS will prepare students for active roles as **global citizens**.

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