



Lamar High School

AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

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Principal's Corner



Testing Updates

SAT – October 11, 2023 for eligible Seniors

PSAT – October 12, 2023 for all 9th, 10th, and 11th graders

[Lamar Testing Calendar 2023-2024](#)

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SAT for eligible 12th graders - October 11th

Seniors who have never taken the SAT before have been registered to take the SAT, free of charge, on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. These students have been notified through their HISD email. All students taking the SAT 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. This will be a paper-based test and calculators will be provided for the SAT. For more information about the SAT, please visit the [College Board website](#).

Upcoming Events:

Thu. Oct 5th:

- Pep Rally 7:50AM
(Gym)
- Water Polo District
4:30PM (Pool)
- Varsity Football vs
Westbury 7:00PM
(Delmar)
- Cap and Gown Orders
11:45 (12th Grade Hall)
- Tennis District 8:00AM
(away)

Fri. Oct 6th:

- **REPORT CARD DAY**
- Water Polo District
4:30PM (Pool)
- Varsity Volleyball vs
Westside 7:30PM
(Delmar)
- Freshman Volleyball vs
Westside 6:00PM
(Gym)
- JV Volleyball vs
Westside 7:00PM
(LHS)
- JV Field Hockey vs
MHS 5:00PM (Fields)

Altered Bell schedule – Thursday, October 12

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October 12, 2023 – PSAT Testing	
Time	Period
8:30 – 12:00	Testing
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch
12:55 – 1:40	6 th period
1:45 – 2:30	7 th period
2:35 – 3:20	5 th period
3:25 – 4:10	8 th period

Highlighted Events

Fri. Oct 6th: REPORT CARD DAY

Wed. Oct 11th: 12th Grade SAT Test 8:30AM (LHS)

Wed. Oct 11th: Junior Parent Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)

Thu. Oct 12th: 9th, 10th & 11th Grade PSAT Test

Fri. Oct 13th: Professional Development- NO STUDENTS

Shout Outs!

Tennis



Smashing success! Lamar Tennis Team reigns supreme as District Champs for the first time in 5 years, defeating Bellaire and leaving a legacy of triumph!

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- Debate @ Bellaire

Sat. Oct 7th:

- Water Polo District
4:30PM (Pool)
- Debate @ Bellaire
- Cross Country 9:00AM
(North Forest)

Mon. Oct 9th:

- Tennis @Bi-District
- Varsity Boys Golf @
EaglePoint

Tue. Oct 10th:

- Water Polo Bi-District
5:00-9:00 (LHS)
- Varsity Volleyball vs
Westbury 4:30PM
(Butler)
- Band Contest 5:00PM
(Delmar)
- Varsity Boys Golf @
EaglePoint

Wed. Oct 11th:

- 12th Grade SAT Test
8:30AM (LHS)
- JV Boys Golf @ Jersey
Meadow
- Freshman Volleyball @
Westbury 6:00PM
- JR Volleyball @
Westbury 7:00PM
- Junior Parent Meeting
6:00PM (Grand Hall)

Thu. Oct 12th:

- 9th, 10th & 11th Grade
PSAT Test
- 8:30AM (LHS)
- Freshman Football @
Sam Houston 5:00PM
- JV Football vs Sam
Houston 5:00PM
(Fields)
- Theatre Fall Show
6:00PM (Black Box)

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Theatre Production of Clue

- College Corner @ UofH
9:15-1:30
- Tennis Playoffs (away)

Fri. Oct 13th:

- Professional Development- NO STUDENTS
- Freshman Volleyball vs Houston 5:00PM (LHS)
- JV Volleyball 7:00PM (LHS)
- Tennis @ Area Playoffs
- Water Polo Playoffs (TBA)
- Theatre Fall Show 7:00PM (Black Box)

Sat. Oct 14th:

- Varsity Volleyball vs Houston 11:30AM (Delmar)
- Water Polo Area Playoffs 7:00-4:00 (TBA)
- Varsity Football vs Houston 6:00PM (Delmar)
- Theatre Fall Show 7:00PM (Black Box)



The Lamar Texans Theatre Company is proud to present one of the greatest WhoDunIts in the history of WhoDunIts! - Clue! Thursday, October 12th at 6 p.m., Friday, October 13th and Saturday, October 14th at 7 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre! Join us for this farcical romp through the timeless classic production based on the Parker Brothers' board game of the same name.

Outbound Sponsored Programs

U. S. Department of State Sponsored Programs

(Oversen by AFS and a consortium of other organizations)

The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) Program provides scholarships for eligible American high school students and recent graduates to spend an academic year of study and cultural immersion in Germany. Scholarship recipients will serve as "youth ambassadors" as they gain a new perspective on global current affairs and German social, economic, and political life, all while learning the German language through language lessons, day-to-day life in the culture, attending a local high school, and living with a host family. Additional activities include receptions and meetings with government officials in the U.S. and Germany.



- Learn more and start an application on our website: USAGermanyScholarship.org
- The deadline to apply is **November 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm Eastern**
- Contact CBYX@afsausa.org or 646-751-2161 with questions.

The Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study (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 Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, North Macedonia, Malaysia, Morocco, Senegal, Thailand, or Türkiye. Through the YES Abroad program, students develop leadership skills, international competence, and an understanding of global interests and values shared across cultures. Students also promote mutual understanding between the U.S. and the host country by forming lasting relationships with the local community.



- Learn more and start an application on our website: YES-Abroad.org/
- The deadline to apply is **December 6, 2023 at 4:00 pm Eastern**
- Contact YESAbroad@afsausa.org or 646-751-2151 with questions.

The National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) provides merit-based scholarships for American high school students and recent graduates to learn critical languages in summer (6-8 weeks) and academic-year overseas programs. The program focuses on language instruction while providing participants with cultural experiences in the host community and sparking a lifetime interest in languages and cultures. Summer and academic year programs are available for Hindi, Indonesian, Persian (Tajiki), Turkish, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Korean, and Russian.



- Learn more and start an application on our website: NSLIforYouth.org/
- The deadline to apply is **November 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm Eastern**
- Contact NSLIforYouth@afsausa.org or 646-751-2238 with questions.

CBYX, YES Abroad, and NSLI-Y are programs of the U.S. Department of State

Happy sixth week of School Texans! STUCO hopes you guys love the spirit week themes. Were excited to see how you all dress up and show your spirit. Homecoming tickets and t-shirts are also on sale. Enjoy your weekend !

Homecoming Court



Homecoming Spirit Week

**2023:
HOCO
SPIRIT
WEEK!**

STUDENTS PARTICIPATING
IN SPIRIT WEEK MUST WEAR
UNIFORM BOTTOMS!

PLEASE ADHERE TO
LAMAR'S DRESS CODE
POLICY.

MONDAY: 10/16
⇌
OPPOSITE DAY

TUESDAY: 10/17
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SOCCER MOMS VS. BBQ DADS

WEDNESDAY: 10/18
Barbie Ken
THIS BARBIE/KEN IS...

THURSDAY: 10/19
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THROWBACK THURSDAY

FRIDAY: 10/20
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GO TEXAN DAY

SATURDAY: 10/21
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GLOW-COMING

@LAMARSTUDENTCOUNCIL

- NO PAJAMAS
- NO MIDRIFF SHOWING
- NO INAPPROPRIATE REFERENCES

IB Fee for 11th and 12th Grade Families

All 11th and 12th grade students taking at least one SL or HL class are asked to pay the \$90 annual IB fee. Students who are identified as economically disadvantaged can pay a reduced \$30 fee. Not sure if your child is in an IB course? IB course names end in SL or HL. Please pay on SchoolPay or in the Business Office by October 15th. Contact suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org if you have questions.

Homecoming Mums

HOMECOMING MUM
SALE



TO ORDER STOP BY THE BOOTH IN
THE GRAND HALL
SALES START SEPT. 18 - OCT. 13


MUMS CAN BE PURCHASED ON
SCHOOLPAY, ORDER FORMS MUST BE
SUBMITTED TO MS. SKROBARCZYK
[QUESTIONS? EMAIL WENDY.SKROBARCZYK@HOUSTONISD.ORG](mailto:QUESTIONS?EMAIL=WENDY.SKROBARCZYK@HOUSTONISD.ORG)

FFA Fundraiser


**LAMAR SPIRIT
BLANKET FUNDRAISER**

60" X 70" BLANKET - \$40
INCLUDES TAXES & FEES

HELP SUPPORT THE LAMAR FFA
WITH THE PURCHASE THE ONLY
LAMAR BLANKET DESIGN WITH
OUR NEW MASCOT, LB!



SOFT MICROPLUSH FLEECE
MATERIAL
BEAUTIFUL, SPIRITED, FULL-
COLOR, VIBRANT PRINT



FUNDRAISER
BLANKETS.com

The Lamar FFA is selling plush blankets with our new mascot, LB on them! Blankets can be purchased by scanning the QR code in the flyer and are available until October 27th. Our goal is to sell 100 blankets to our wonderful Lamar community, students, and staff. All details are in the flyer. Blankets will be available for pick up the first week of December, just in time for Christmas.

We hope you can support our amazing organization!

Writing Lab

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO WRITE YOUR APPLICATION ESSAYS

OCTOBER 17 @ 4:30 - 6PM

LAMAR WRITING LAB PRESENTS
OCTOBER 17 & 24
COLLEGE APP ESSAY
AFTER SCHOOL
WORKSHOPS

Register for one or both events at tinyurl.com/OctCollegeApps

Bring Your College Essay GUIDED WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 24 @ 4:30-6PM

CONTACT: DR. LOWE AT ANNIE.LOWE@HOUSTONISD.ORG

Tutorials

TUTORIALS

AVAILABLE IN PARIS, 4TH FLOOR, ROOM 12B

ALL CONTENT CORE AREAS:	ALL AVAILABLE TIMES:
MATHEMATICS	MONDAY THRU THURSDAY
ENGLISH / TOK	7:15 AM - 8:15 AM
SCIENCE	4:15 PM - 5:45 PM
HISTORY / SOCIAL STUDIES	FRIDAY
CTE	7:15 AM - 8:15 AM
	NO TUTORIALS AFTER SCHOOL

Welcome back students! Need help with school assignments? Lamar Tutorials may be the place for you! Come and join us in Neighborhood 12 B (Paris) in the mornings from 7:15- 8:15 Monday through Friday and afternoons from 4:15-5:45 Monday through Thursday. Hope to see you there!

Writing Contest



Girls Basketball Tryouts



COLLEGE CORNER

Thank you for attending the Annual College Fair!

Class of 2024 Senior Information

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

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#/>

Click [here](#)



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. 1st - Dec 5th \$90

All the above plus Prom Ticket-

Early Bird Special Aug. 1st - Dec 5th -\$170

OPTION 2:

Dec. 6th- End of Year - \$140

Prom Ticket NOT included

Dec. 6th- End of Year plus Prom Ticket- \$230

School Pay Link:

<https://schoolpay.com/link/LHSCO2024>

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2024 DATES

August 28, 2023 Senior Sunrise

October 4, 2023 College Fair

October 21, 2023 HOCO Dance

November 14, 2023 Panoramic Photo

November 14, 2023 Senior Breakfast

November 16th, 2023 Herff Jones Cap and Gown Orders

Dec. 22, 2023 Senior Event

January 25, 2024 Herff Jones Cap and Gown Orders

February 24, 2024 LHS Fest

April 20, 2024 Prom

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 after MLK Day

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



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www.lamarpto.org



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Join the PTO!

Get Connected * Support Lamar
And it's Free!

WHAT DOES THE LHS PTO DO?

Parent Socials * Teacher Wish Lists * Big & Bright Fundraising Campaign * The Alamo -
Wraparound Services Donations * Fill the Gap - Corporate
Giving * Lamar HS Yard Signs * Class T-Shirts * Teacher Appreciation *
Texan Connection - PTO Newsletter * College Night * Parent Resources
* Senior Class Activities * Campus Improvements & Beautification * Alumni Outreach

Class	Facebook	Instagram
2024	https://www.facebook.com/groups/302712719087102	https://www.instagram.com/lamarpto2024/
2025	https://www.facebook.com/groups/262445285607216	
2026	https://www.facebook.com/groups/1377372302771299	https://www.instagram.com/lamarclassof26/
2027	https://www.facebook.com/groups/lamartexans2027	https://www.instagram.com/lamarclassof27/

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