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Lamar Weekly Newsletter STAY CONNECTED

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Principal's Corner



I delight in the way I get to spend my days. Serving as a school principal is a true joy. I can say, however, that each day we are charged with a new task, a new, more lofty goal, and new mandates. We are magicians in this role – doing more with less. And the laws of gravity apply here too. When we are asked for more, our teachers are asked for more.

I am so grateful for the incredible faculty and staff we have here at Lamar.

Under our new district administration, we are charged with removing all distractions that keep kids from reaching their highest potential. We are noticing an uptick in students using their phones during class. This is one of the things we are tasked with ensuring does not happen. I am asking the Lamar community to support this "ask" and commit to being fully engaged in the classroom from bell to bell.

Highlighted Events

<u>Thu. Oct 26th:</u> Underclassmen Photo Day 9:00-3:30 <u>Fri. Oct 27th:</u> Underclassmen Photo Day 9:00-3:30

<u>Tue. Nov 7th:</u> College Corner Parent Meeting 6:00-8:00PM (9B)

<u>Thu. Nov 9th:</u> 10th Grade IB Par Meeting 6:00-8:00PM (Grand Hall)

Fri. Nov. 10th: End of Cycle 2

Fri. Nov. 10th: Student Holiday- no school for students

Shout Outs!

Girls Golf

Lamar's girls golf team got 2nd place at the JV Girls Tournament at Pearland Golf Club at Country Place!

Our girls finished second out of 10 teams with a score of 406. The team included **Delphine Wood, Jolie Jones, Murphy McCallum, Audrey Bui, and Campbell Collins.** We had two great performances by medalist **Avantika Ingole and Leila Modr!**

Upcoming Events:

Thu. Oct 26th:

Concert
6:00PM
(Performance

Orchestra Fall

- UnderclassmerPhoto Day9:00-3:30
- Magnet Tour1:00PM

Fri. Oct 27th:

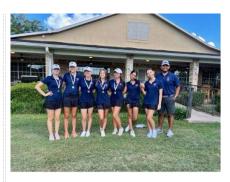
- UnderclassmenPhoto Day9:00-3:30
- Debate @ Cy
 Lakes

Sat. Oct 28h:

- Girls Basketball
 @ Randle
 (TBA)
- JROTC
 Competition @
 Waltrip 6:00 2:00
- Water Polo @
 State
- Robotics VEXCompetition8:00-7:00

(Grand Hall)

Mon. Oct 30th:



Coach Woolweaver

Congratulations to Coach Woolweaver!

She is the Boys Water Polo Coach of the Year! You worked so hard every day to achieve this accomplishment, and we can't think of anyone who deserves it more. You set an amazing example for everyone at school.



Cross Country

Cross Country did great! Girls finished 11th out of 35 teams, with multiple runners hitting personal bests (Elisabeth Pope, Soni Rodgers, Stacy Guerrero, Addy Maurer). The boys finished 19th overall, with a standout performance from Bryson Williams (ran 3.1 miles in 16:30). Our season is over, but we have much to be proud of!



StuCo

"Hey, Texans!

We hope you had an amazing time during Homecoming & Spirit Week! Our annual Blood Drive is coming up on **November 13** in the Athletic Lobby from 8:45 AM to 1:45 PM. **The Athletic Lobby will be CLOSED and NO students will be able to pass through!** If you are interested in donating, please review the information below to ensure the best possible experience!

- You must be 17 years old to donate with a SIGNED permission slip.
- Permission slips are located at the neighborhood clerks' desks (3rd and 4th floors) and the Student Service Center (Grand Hall desk). You may also download a copy of the permission slip <u>here!</u>
- Please bring your permission slip, ID, and belongings with you to your donation!
- Please bring a form of ID on you! PowerSchool is acceptable.
- Please wear a short-sleeved shirt to your donation, eat a hearty breakfast, and stay hydrated. Snacks and drinks will be donated at the donation station!
- Please do NOT fast before your donation, participate in any athletic/heavy exercise for at least 24 hours after your donation, or wear a long-sleeved shirt or jacket.
- You will be escorted to the donation station by a StuCo member! Please do not leave class. You will also be escorted back to class after donating.

Varsity Boys @
 Riverbend

Tue. Oct 31st:

IB Olympics
 9:00-11AM
 (LHS)

Wed. Nov 1st:

- JV Blue
 Football @
 Magnolia
 5:00PM
- JV Red
 Football @
 Magnolia
 6:30PM
- Freshman
 Football vs
 Bellaire
 5:00PM (LHS)
- Wrestling vs
 Lamar
 Consolidated
 5:00-10:00PM
 (LHS)
- LAST senior on campus yearbook photo day 9:00-4:00 (Athletic Lobby)

Thu. Nov 2nd:

- SDMC 7:30AM (Alumni Center)
- Pep Rally7:50AM (Gym)
- Varsity Football vs Bellaire (Butler)
- Magnet Tour1:00PM (LHS)
- JROTC @ Fort

 Knox
- Beginning
 Boys and Girls
 Golf @ River
 Terrace

Fri. Nov 3rd:

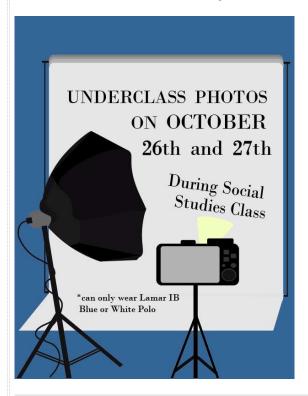
 Swim Flick and Float 4:00 6:00PM (Pool)

Sat. Nov 4th:

- Donations count as a CAS experience for IBDP, 2 (inside) hours for NHS and other applicable service organizations such as StuCo, Key Club, etc. Donations may also be used as 2 hours for GT Independent Studies.
- All 11th & 12th grade Science teachers will be offering extra credit to those who donate!
- · Walk-ins are welcome!
- Sign Up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DA9AB29A2FBCE9-45377129-11132023#/

If you have any questions, please contact us via our email lamarstudentcouncil@gmail.com. All information regarding the Blood Drive will be posted on our Instagram, @lamarstudentcouncil. Thank you for signing up to save a life!"

Underclassmen Photo Day



FFA Fundraiser



- Swim OpenHouse 9:00AM-2:00PM
- Band Contest@ Katy8:00AM-10:00PM

Mon. Nov 6th:

Varsity Girls
 Golf @ Moody
 Gardens

Tue. Nov 7th:

- College Corner
 Parent Meeting
 6:00-8:00PM
 (9B)
- Varsity Girls
 Basketball @
 Beaumont
 7:00PM
- JV Girls
 Basketball @
 Beaumont
 5:45PM
- Freshman
 Basketball @
 Beaumont
 4:30PM
- Varsity BoysGolf @ LakeWindcrest

Wed, Nov 8th:

- FFA Parent
 Meeting 6:00 8:00PM (Grand
 Hall)
- Varsity Boys
 Golf @ Lake
 Windcrest

Thu. Nov 9th:

- 10th Grade IB
 Par Meeting
 6:00-8:00PM
 (Grand Hall)
- Magnet Tour
 1:00PM
 (Performance
 Hall)
- Varsity Girls
 Basketball @

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!

FFA Poinsettia Sales



10th Grade Parent Meeting



Families of 10th grade students should plan to attend this informational session to learn more about our Career-Related and Diploma Programs. Student Led Conferences will begin after Thanksgiving, and students will be making decisions about which program they wish to pursue.

Juniors and Seniors in SL and HL Courses

<u>Please complete this form</u> by November 1st at 4 pm to request accommodations on your IB exams that will take place in the spring semester. These are official IB exams, not class exams or final exams. You may only request accommodations that you currently have through your 504 or IEP. Sometimes the IB requests additional documentation to determine accommodations. If requested, you will

- Conroe 1:30-6:15PM
- Freshman/JV
 Basketball @
 Alief
 Tournament

1:15-6:15P

- Wrestling @
 Foster 6:0010:00PM
- JV Boys Golf
 @
 Battleground

Fri, Nov. 10th:

- End of Cycle 2
- Student
 Holiday- no
 school for
 students
- Debate @
 Clear Brook
- Robotics @Galveston6:00AM-7:30PM
- Varsity Girls
 Basketball @
 Conroe 1:30-

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- Varsity Boys
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 Up Relays
 10:00-2:30
 (Pool)
- Debate @

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 Conroe
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 Basketball @

need to email the documents to Dr. Acord by Nov. 1st at 4 pm. Contact Dr. Acord if you have questions. suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org. Form must be completed by the student.

IB Fee for 11th and 12th Grade Families

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 materials, digital resources, and teacher trainings for our IB programs. 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 due by **October 13th, 2023**.

Students who have submitted a socio-economic form and 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



Reminders



Writing Lab
Writing Contest

Tournament

- Freshman

 Boys

 Basketball @

 North Shore
- JV Boys
 Basketball @
 North Shore
 11:30AM

10:00AM

Varsity Boys
 Basketball @
 North Shore
 1:00PM



COLLEGE CORNER

College Corner Hot Topics

- Senior Parent Night- November 7th
- Upcoming College Visits (On Campus)
- · Hot Scholarship List
- Senior Surveys

Newsletter Link:

https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:f0a89f45-72c6-373b-a4f3-610a90298289



IB Banquet



Men's Lacrosse



Class of 2024 Senior Information

Senior Breakfast



Panoramic Photo



Panoramic Pictures Of:

LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL

Pictures will be taken:

Tuesday, November 14th

Senior Class at 9:00am

Price Packages:

\$30.00 -Panoramic Picture

\$35.00 -Panoramic & One Medium Panoramic

(Best Deal!)

\$45.00 - (3 Picture Formation Package)

Large Laminated Panoramic, w/ One Medium Panoramic, & One Medium '24 Formation

Bring your payment The Very Next Day:

Wednesday, November 15th and <u>Thursday, November 16th</u> <u>During Lunch</u>

To pick-up your panoramic picture

We Accept Cash, Check, or Debit/Credit Cards MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "Goldbeck Company" (Please include phone number on all checks)

Goldbeck Company • 4407 Center Gate • San Antonio • TX • 78217
1-800-656-9289 • www.goldbeckcompany.com
(orders placed online will be mailed)

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#/

Senior Parent Meeting Slides
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

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, 2034 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.

HISD Police Department



SAFE GUN STORAGE ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

RE: STATE OF TEXAS LAWS PERTAINING TO CONCERNING SAFE GUN STORAGE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Houston Independent School District (HISD) is dedicated to a safe learning environment at school and at home. In the U.S., gun violence on school campuses is alarming. HISD recognizes that proper gun storage education and laws are essential to ensuring a gun-free campus. To further our efforts to protect students from frearms, and as a couriesy to our families, HISD is informing parents and guardians of the legal obligations to protect minors from negligent gun storage. Please review the state statute on gun storage laws summarized below:

Texas State Law 46.13: Making a Firearm Accessible to a Child In Texas, a child is defined as a person under the age of 17. The statute indicates that a person commits an offense if a child gains access to a readily dischargeable firearm and charges the person with criminal negligence:

(1) failed to secure the firearm; or

(2) left the firearm in a place the person knew or should have known the child would gain access to.



3500 Tampa Stree Houston, TX 7702 Phone: 713-842-371

RE: LEYES DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS PERTINENTES A GUARDAR LAS ARMAS DE FUEGO EN LUGARES SEGUROS Y A LAS RESPONSABILIDADES DE PADRES Y TUTORES

Estimados padres y tutores:

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de Houston (HISD) está dedicado a lograr un ambiente de parendizaje seguro tante en la escuela como en el hogar. En EL UU, la violencia con armas de fuego en las escuelas es alarmante. HISD reconoce que educar sobre las leyes y la manera apropiada de guardar las armas de fuego es esencial para contra con escuelas bress de armas de apropiada de guardar las armas de fuego es esencial para contra con escuelas bress de armas de familias. HISD informa a los padres y futurores sobre las obligaciones legales de proteger a los menores contra la negligencia en la práctica de guardar las armas de fuego. A confunzación verán para de fuego.

Loy estatal de Toxas 46.13, "Armas de fuego en lugaros accesibles a un niño" En Texas, se define como "niño" a toda persona menor de 17 años. La ley indica que una persona comete un delito si un niño logra acceso a un arma de fuego lista para ser disparada porque la persona que ha cometido negligencia criminal:

fallo en asegurar el arma de fuego; o
 falló el arma de fuego en un lunar al rual cabla o deberla babar sobido que el niño tendría acceso

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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 COMMITTEES	Facebook	Instagram
2024	https://www.facebook.com/groups/302712719087102	https://www.instagram.com/lamarpto202
2025	https://www.facebook.com/groups/262445285607216	
2026	https://www.facebook.com/groups/1377372302771299	https://www.instagram.com/lamarclassor
2027	https://www.facebook.com/groups/lamartexans2027	https://www.instagram.com/lamarclassof

QUICK LINKS

<u>VIPS</u>

PTO

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• 3325 Westheimer | Houston, TX 77098

• Phone: 713-522-5960

• Fax: 713-535-3769





