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from Westside High School

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April 15, 2024

Calendar Notes

Spring Testing Dates

April 16—English II	April 24—Biology
April 18—US History	May 1—Algebra
May 6-17—AP Exams	

Save the Date!

VAPING PREVENTION


Workshop for Westside Parents



Presented by:
HISD Family & Community Engagement and Crime Stoppers

April 18 at 5:30 PM in S100

Followed by the PTO General Meeting at 6:30 PM




GENERAL! PTO Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 18
6:30 PM
ROOM S100

VOTE FOR THE NEXT PTO BOARD

2024-2025 EXECUTIVE TEAM NOMINEES:

PRESIDENT - MEGHAN HOKOM STAPLETON
VICE PRESIDENT - MEYCY ZAPATA
TREASURER - ALEV BROOKS
RECORDING SECRETARY - VIVIAN CASHION
VIPS COORDINATOR AND WEBSITE - ANNI KRISANTO
PARLIAMENTARIAN - HILLARY ROY
FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR - STACEY RIPPLE
PUBLICITY - MELANIE GONZALEZ



Calendar

April 20 & 27
Saturday Tutorials,
9 AM-12 Noon

April 20
Class of 2024 Prom

2023-
2024
HISD
Calendar

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2025
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Dual Credit

Westside/Houston Community College Dual Credit program is now accepting paperwork for the 2024-2025 school year.

12th Grade Courses offered:

- ENGL 1301/1302
- English 4

Science or Elective Credit:

- GEOL 1305/1345
- Environmental Science/Oceanography

11th Grade Courses Offered:

- HIST 1301/1302
- U. S. History

NEW CLASSES FOR 2024-5 – we are looking into adding new courses!

- American Sign Language
- Economics
- Business Law

After you take PreCal at Westside HS:

- MATH 1314/1316
- College Algebra and Trig

(CANNOT count as your 4th year of required math)

For more information and required forms, click [HERE](#) to go to the Westside Homepage and then go to “Dual Credit” under Current Headlines.

Paper copies of forms are available in the Library and in all house offices.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Matlock at smalock@houstonisd.org.

OnRamps 2024-2025

Dual Enrollment through the University of Texas at Austin

English (11th grade)
College Algebra (sub for Alg 2)
Computer Science
Biology
PreCalculus

Talk with your Dean about enrolling

School News

Visual Arts Scholastic Event

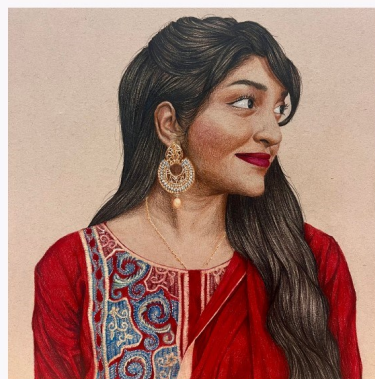
CONGRATULATIONS to Westside's SCHOLASTICS winners!

GOLD KEYS: Divya Chan, Naomi Fairley, Yujing Gou, Zahra Haque, Natalia Lazaro, Zimu Liu, Kaela Pham

SILVER KEYS: Laura Balgairies, Tracy Cheng, Vanessa Gutierrez, Victoria Zhou, Karis Chiao, Valeria Perez

HONORABLE MENTIONS: Amelia Gu, Natalia Lazaro, Sandy Molina, Valeria Perez, Johanna Sanchez, Allyhandra Truax, Crowley Grimm, Mia Terrazas

American Visions Nominee
Zahra Haque



WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

Home
of the
WOLVES



Class of 2024 News

LAST CHANCE FOR PROM TICKETS

APRIL 20
PROM
2024

TICKET DESK IS OPEN DURING LUNCH
IN THE LIBRARY

MONDAY, APRIL 15 | \$90
TUESDAY, APRIL 16 | \$110
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 | \$110

LAST DAY LAST DAY

CLASS OF 2024
PROM

WHO?
ALL QUALIFYING SENIORS & GUESTS
PAID SENIOR DUES | HAVE NO NGs | NO SUSPENSIONS OR ACTIVITY EXCLUSIONS

WHEN?
SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024 | 7PM – 11PM
NO ENTRY AFTER 9PM | NO EXIT BEFORE 10:30PM | NO IN-OUT PRIVILEGES

WHERE?
HYATT REGENCY HOUSTON WEST
13210 KATY FREEWAY

NEXT?
COMPLETE YOUR CONTRACTS
EACH SENIOR SUBMITS THEIR OWN CONTRACT ONLINE STARTING APRIL 1
NON-SENIOR & NON-WESTSIDE GUEST PAPER CONTRACTS AVAILABLE FROM DEANS

Moonlight in Monte Carlo

MORE INFO:
WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG




Westside High School's **Graduation Ceremony**



- No tickets needed
- No limit on number of guests
- Fee for Parking (TBD)

Saturday, June 8, 2023

12:00 Noon at NRG Stadium

1 NRG Park, Houston, Texas 77054

Class of 2024 News

Scholarships:

For Westside Students ONLY

Application deadline: May 1

The PTO Spirit Award

Five \$1000 awards will be given. Must have a 2.5 GPA and demonstrate Westside spirit.

Student's parent must be a PTO member as of 1/15/2024

The PTO Challenge Award

Awards are \$500. GPA requirement is a 2.0 and student must have overcome an obstacle. Does NOT require PTO membership.

Both of these PTO applications can be found at:

<https://www.westsidehighpto.org/scholarship>

#RAKDavid Scholarship

Two \$1500 awards will be given. Must have a 2.0 GPA and be able to document strong community service or acts of kindness.

<https://www.rakdavid.org/kindness-scholarships>

The Pannila Foundation

Two \$10,000 awards (pending finalization) will be awarded, to be dispersed at \$2500/year renewable. Must have a 3.0 GPA and have a gap in college funding. Application will be emailed to all seniors with a 3.0 GPA via students' HISD email.



Announcements



Paid, Technical High School Internship Opportunities

Student Benefits:

- Opportunity to interview for a paid, technical internship in Summer 2025 and earn up to **\$6,000**.
- Learn how to code from tech professionals in the STEM industry.

What:

- FREE 6-week program offered Summer 2024

When:

- Tuesday, June 11th - Friday, July 26th
- (NO CLASS: Week of July 1st)
- Classes are 2 hours/day Tuesday - Thursday

Where:

- Virtual on Zoom

Apply Now!

Application Deadline:
Monday, April 29th
11:59pm CST



Questions?
Info@Code2College.org



Oportunidades de pasantías técnicas remuneradas en la escuela secundaria

Beneficios para estudiantes:

- Oportunidad de realizar una entrevista para una pasantía técnica remunerada en el verano de 2025 y ganar hasta \$6,000.
- Aprenda a codificar con profesionales de la tecnología en la industria STEM.

Qué:

- Programa GRATUITO de 6 semanas ofrecido en el verano de 2024

Cuando:

- Martes 11 de junio - viernes 26 de julio
 - (NO CLASES: Semana del 1 de julio)
- Las clases son 2 horas/día de martes a jueves.

Dónde:

- Virtual en Zoom

¡Aplica ya!

Plazo de solicitud:
Lunes 29 de abril
11:59pm CST



¿Preguntas?
Info@Code2College.org

GIRLS TALK TECH Panel Discussion



Friday, Apr. 19th

Rm. N225 @ LUNCH

Announcements

WOLFPACK DASH

WESTSIDE ATHLETICS SPRING FUNDRAISER

FUN RUN

POWDER PUFF FOOTBALL GAME

AFTER PARTY

SAT. MAY 18TH

9:00 - 3:00





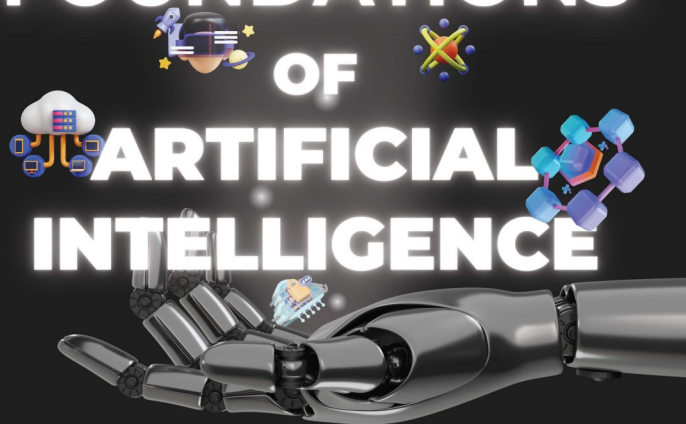
COME MEET OUR
ATHLETES AND JOIN US
FOR A DAY OF FUN!

SCAN QR CODE TO
REGISTER!

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL | 14201 BRIAR FOREST DR



FOUNDATIONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



WHO SHOULD JOIN?

- Open to all 11th and 12th grade high school students with an interest in technology and AI.
- Perfect for beginners - no background in computer science or AI required!

COURSE OVERVIEW

Dive into the world of AI with our new semester-long course and unlock its mysteries! With a focus on boosting your AI Literacy, you'll learn to use AI tools to create innovative and exciting projects. Get ready to explore the AI landscape, shape the future, and see the world through a new lens of possibilities!

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:

- **Supercharge your learning:** Use AI to ace your projects, gear up for cool jobs, all while staying safe and being a savvy digital citizen!
- **Up your Computer Science Skills:** Tackle big problems, analyze data like a pro, spot trends, pick the best solutions, and make sure AI plays fair for everyone!

Limited spots available. Secure your spot and be part of the AI revolution! Sign up for this new elective with your counselors.

HISD | Academics

LEARN. CREATE. ACHIEVE

Announcements

Interested in joining debate?


Want to be in the class next year?

Scan and fill out this interest survey!



- Talk to Ms. Barbosa in the library or to Mr. Campagna in E229
- Come to practice afterschool Monday or Tuesday


Keep an eye out for your next
Possip Pulse Check, coming
Thursday, April 18th



+ POSSIP
FOR PARENTS

How Possip Helps Support Your School:

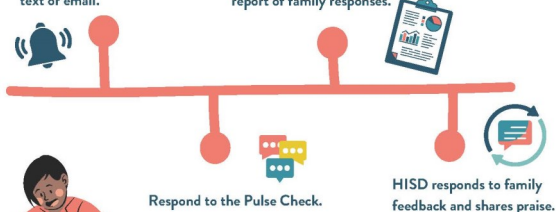
- Recurring Pulse Check surveys
- Sent via text & email
- No app or login needed
- Respond in your home language
- Actionable data for schools & districts
- Stronger school communities



HOW YOUR VOICE HELPS

You'll receive a Pulse Check via text or email.

Possip provides HISD with a report of family responses.



Respond to the Pulse Check.

HISD responds to family feedback and shares praise.

¡Esté atento a su próximo Pulse
Check, muy pronto!
Jueves, 18 de abril



+ POSSIP

Cómo Possip Ayuda a Apoyar tu Escuela:

- Encuestas periódicas de Pulse Check
- Enviadas por mensaje de texto y correo electrónico
- No se necesita aplicación o inicio de sesión
- Responda en su idioma preferido
- Datos accionables para escuelas y distritos
- Comunidades escolares más fuertes



CÓMO AYUDA USTED VOZ

Recibe Pulse Check por mensaje de texto o correo electrónico una vez al mes.

Possip proporciona a HISD un informe de las respuestas familiares.



Responder a la Pulse Check.

HISD responde a los comentarios de la familia y comparte elogios.

Announcements

CompassRN Nursing Camp

The summer nurse camp is a week long residential camp for high school students who are interested in the field of nursing.

Eligibility

- Elegible Grades: 9, 10, 11
- GPA: Not required
- Preference given to 9th & 10th graders, current juniors will be considered.

Travel & Lodging

- University of St. Thomas
- Overnight college housing
- Students and Families are responsible for transportation.

Financials

- FLO Tuition: FREE!
- Estimated Travel Cost: \$0
- The program is free of charge, including all food, materials, and overnight stays in the residence halls.

Dates

- Apply By: 5/3/2024
- Start Date: 7/22/2024
- End Date: 7/25/2024

www.discoverus.org
support@discoverus.org

What are YOU doing this summer?

FUTURE DOCTORS ACADEMY

Learn about the heart, lungs, abdomen, brain, muscles and bones. Includes medical jeopardy, a pig heart dissection, suture clinics, and CPR experience, and more!

JUNE 24-28, 2024 **TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER INNOVATION**

DATA FOR JUSTICE YOUTH INSTITUTE

Use real data from Houston & Harris County to identify trends in policing and criminal justice. This is an excellent opportunity for students who want to learn how to analyze & visualize data.

JUNE 24-28, 2024 **UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON**

CYBERSECURITY EXPLORERS

Participants will delve into the fundamentals of cybersecurity, explore cutting-edge technologies, and develop practical skills to protect digital assets and combat cyber threats.

JUNE 24-28, 2024 **UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**

ESPORTS CAREER BOOTCAMP

Explore the world of professional gaming, including roles such as content creators, event organizers, shoutcasters, media technologists, and business leaders in the industry!

JULY 15-19, 2024 **UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**

GENERATIVE AI CREATORS CAMP

A transformative experience that empowers students to become creators and innovators in the rapidly evolving field of AI.

JULY 15-19, 2024 **UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**

WWW.DISCOVERUS.ORG
[SCAN ABOVE TO APPLY BY MAY 3!](#)

Saturday Tutorials

April 20 & 27

9 AM—12 Noon

We Are Westside

Announcements



INERTIA
DANCE COMPANY
AUDITIONS

April 29th, April 30th, May 1st, May 2nd

MONDAY, 29TH	Learn Choreography 4:30pm-6:30pm
TUESDAY, 30TH	Review Day 4:30pm-6:30pm
WEDNESDAY, 1ST	Girls Audition 4:30pm-6:30pm
THURSDAY, 2ND	Boys Audition 4:30pm-6:30pm

VISIT US AT
www.inertiadanceco.com
 Insta: @inertiadanceco
 Dance Room X121

MORE INFO




NEW TO BLUE
COURSE SELECTION

SATURDAY, MAY 4
 9:00 - 11:00 AM
 Westside Library


New students can meet with Westside Deans to choose courses for 2024-2025

QUESTIONS?
 Contact Mrs. Matlock at
smatlock@houstonisd.org
 or at 713-556-5228


www.westsidewolves.org
 Westside High School 14201 Briar Forest Drive

Saturday
Tutorials
April 20 & 27
9 AM—12 Noon


Announcements



BROS WHO CODE



V105 THURSDAY LUNCH
 REMIND - @d43h672
 INSTAGRAM - WHS_BROSWHOCODE



Gamer's Club

Hosted in:
E124

We have
 Board Games
 &
 Videogames

WEDNESDAYS
 During Lunch

More Info:
jason.rodriguez@houstonisd.org



Way to go, Wolves

Join Us

CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS

Wednesday's and Friday's During Lunch, Room E213

Join us for Fellowship, Teachings and Bible Study!

For more information please join our:
 Remind: TEXT @whscoc23 to 81010
 Insta: @whs_christians.on.campus



Get Involved!

List of Clubs & Orgs

WESTSIDE FRC ROBOTICS CLUB



Remind: @frc2587w

- Design, build, and program robots!
- Gain valuable STEM skills!
- The hardest fun you'll ever have!!

MEETINGS EVERY THURSDAY FROM 3:30 TO 5:00 IN ROOM VIIII




Join the Remind

Westside High School

LET'S TOUCH the sky

EST. 2018

DRONE CLUB

WESTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30 ROOM VIII
 JOIN THE REMIND
 TEXT @DRONEWEST TO 81010




Westside Coding Club

Meetings Every Tuesday in Room N225 During Lunch!!

- No experience needed
- Learn and collaborate with peers
- Practice coding skills
- Compete at UIL and HPE Codewars

Scan the QR Code to join the Remind, or type the link below



tinyurl.com/whs-code

PTO Announcements



\$100 PER PAWPRINT FOR A FULL YEAR

\$20 OF THE LOGOS GOES TOWARDS THE ORGANIZATION CHOSEN

Pawprints
Make Your Mark at Westside

MONEY GOES TOWARDS THE SENIOR CLASS FUND FOR YOUR STUDENT'S GRADUATING YEAR.

THE COST FOR EACH LOGO IS \$25, WITH A MAXIMUM OF 2 LOGOS PER TRANSACTION.

SCAN ME

www.westsidehighpto.org

2023-2024

The PTO Welcomes All New and Returning Westside Families!

WHS PTO Website



Scan using your camera

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

- ☒ JOIN THE PTO!
- ☒ VOLUNTEER!
- ☒ DONATE!
- ☒ SHOP OUR STORE!
- ☒ ATTEND MEETINGS!

Join and become a PTO member today!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WESTSIDE PTO!

We need your support!

FOR MORE INFORMATION
SEE THE PTO FLYER IN YOUR STUDENT'S FIRST DAY PACKET

WESTSIDEHIGHPTO.ORG



WESTSIDE H.S.
ESTD 2000

Calling all Parents!!
Join the Westside PTO

We are looking to fill several positions that will help with our Homecoming Dance, Teacher Appreciation events, Fundraising, and much more! This is a great opportunity to be involved in the school and get to know the Westside staff.

Join the Team!

Please complete this form for next year's opportunities.



Scan Me!


Contact: Meghan Hokom
mehan98@hotmail.com
for any questions.

WESTSIDE SCHOOL STORE

A SERVICE PROVIDED BY PTO

HOURS:
TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS
DURING LUNCH
&
3:30 - 4:00 PM

QUESTIONS: WHSPTOSTORE@GMAIL.COM




We Are Westside!

23/24 Bell Schedule

Mon/Tues/Fri		Wednesday & Thursday	
1st Period	7:45 - 8:38	1st Period	7:45 - 8:45
2nd Period	8:43 - 9:38	3rd/2nd Period	8:51 - 10:24
3rd Period	9:43 - 10:36	Pack Time	10:30 - 11:00
4th Period	10:41 - 11:34	LUNCH	11:06 - 12:06
LUNCH	11:38 - 12:31	5th/4th Period	12:13 - 1:46
5th Period	12:36 - 1:29	7th/6th Period	1:52 - 3:25
6th Period	1:34 - 2:27		
7th Period	2:32 - 3:25		

ENERGIZE!



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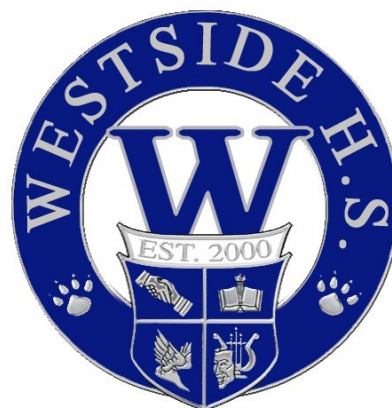
Facebook: Westside High School



Instagram: gowestsidewolves



Twitter: @westsidehigh



Quick Links

Submit stories and photos for eNews:

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School Pay:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/>

School Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org/westsidehs>

HISD Web Address:

<https://www.houstonisd.org>