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## **Principal's Corner**



#### Missed Final Exams

Students who have missed a final exam because they have been ill or placed in quarantine will initially be awarded a zero for the final exam grade. Students can make-up the exam on the schedule below and a grade change will submitted.

Thursday, 1/20/22 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 1/25/22 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, 1/27/22 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 2/1/22 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, 2/3/22 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

# **Highlighted Events:**

- Tue. Jan 25: ASVAB Testing
- Wed. Jan 26: Makeup Balfour Cap/Gown Orders 11:45-12:15PM Transit Center
- <u>Mon. Jan 31st:</u> Rising 9th Grade Course Selection Meeting zoned students only 5:30PM (Virtual)

## **SENIOR YEARBOOK ADS - DEADLINE EXTENDED!**

#### Student/SENIOR Yearbook Ads:

DEADLINE to purchase ad is Jan 21st. DEADLINE for complete ad design is Jan 28th.

#### Time is running out to purchase a yearbook ad or shoutout for your student!

You can create the ad yourself (like Shutterfly) or we can create it with photos you supply.

It's quick, it's easy, and it'll last forever!

To view how to purchase a yearbook or yearbook ad, watch the following videos:

- Ad Video
  - #1: https://www.tiktok.com/@lamarlifeonline/video/6880686540880628998?langen
- Ad Video
  - #2: https://www.tiktok.com/@lamarlifeonline/video/6880689187918482694?lang=en

Senior quotes need to be submitted by January 22nd!

# Follow us on Instagram and Twitter @lamarlifeonline and @lamarlifeyearbook for more updates!

Please contact Kadee Harper, <a href="mailto:kadee.harper@houstonisd.org">kadee.harper@houstonisd.org</a>, with questions.

## KHANATHLON!

The College Readiness department is thrilled to announce the opening of the Khanathlon. One of our top priorities is ensuring that our students are testing college ready and our top tool is Official SAT Practice at Khan Academy.

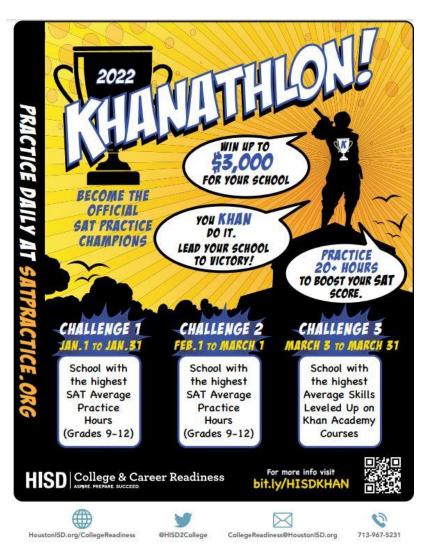
To help boost usage and engagement we have created the Khanathlon, a friendly competition between High Schools. The competition includes three challenges throughout the spring semester of 2022. Please see flyer for contest details.

Students can help themselves and their campuses by logging into Khan Academy through their Clever account and using their personalized Official SAT Practice daily. The winning campuses with receive a trophy and funds for college ready materials and initiatives.

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on the SAT. YOU KHAN DO IT! And Khan Academy Official SAT Practice KHAN help.

Get Your Khan On! Follow along with the festivities on twitter @HISD2College #HISDKhanathlon



# **Important Spring Testing Updates**

All students are required to take and pass five STAAR End of Course (EOC) exams before graduating. This spring, all STAAR exams are transitioning to an online only testing format. All students taking STAAR EOC exams this spring must plan on using their HISD issued laptop and charger for these tests. If your child's laptop or charger is missing or broken, it is critical that they go to the Lamar IT Office (N215) for assistance as soon as possible. If your child's laptop charger is missing s/he will need to purchase

a new charger through the Lamar Business Office or using the SchoolPay link at <a href="https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Laptop-Charger---HP-45W--AC-Adapter-550/SCcrNI">https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Laptop-Charger---HP-45W--AC-Adapter-550/SCcrNI</a>

#### <u>Laptop Charger - HP 45W AC Adapter \$55.00</u>

Replacement PowerUp Student Laptop Computer Charger \$55.00 Present receipt to IT department. To avoid convenience fees you may pay by cash or money order in the business office.

### www.schoolpay.com

Please note that all students will be responsible for returning a laptop, charger and case at the end of the school year.

### **Spring 2022 STAAR Testing Dates**

February 15, 2022 – STAAR EOC English 2 Field Test (10<sup>th</sup> graders)

April 5, 20222 – STAAR EOC English 1 (9th graders and Retesters)

April 7, 2022 – STAAR EOC English 2 (10th graders and Retesters)

May 3, 2022 – STAAR EOC US History (11th grade and Retesters)

May 4, 2022 – STAAR EOC Algebra 1 (9th grade and Retesters)

May 5, 2022 – STAAR EOC Biology (9th grade and Retesters)

All Houston ISD High Schools have been selected to participate in the Spring 2022 STAAR EOC Field Test. Our 10<sup>th</sup> grade students, currently taking English 2, will take the STAAR EOC English 2 Field Test on February 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 AM. This field test is required for all students currently taking English 2, but it is not part of their graduation requirement. This test will be great practice for the real STAAR EOC in April 2022. Testing will be completed through the Texas Online testing platform on the students' HISD issued laptop. Since we do not have extra technology devices to loan to students, it is important that all students have their laptop and charger with them. If they are having any problems with their HISD issued technology devices, students must report it to the Lamar IT Office in N215 immediately.

# IB Oral Assessment Updates for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents:

- All 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade IB English students will participate in an oral assessment.
- All students in an IB language (Mandarin, French, Arabic, Spanish) class that includes SL2 or HL2 in the course name (for example Spanish SL2) will participate in an oral assessment.
- These oral assessments are required IB assessments.
- Students participate in a recorded conversation with their teacher about topics discussed in class.
- Students will receive teacher guidance and class time to prepare for their oral assessments.
- Oral assessments begin in February. Students will receive their scheduled oral assessment time and day from their teacher.
- Your support at home is greatly appreciated. Please encourage your child to arrive on time and prepared for each oral assessment.
- Get in touch with Dr. Acord if you have questions. suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org

# ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Program

Attention 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders interested in taking the ASVAB. The ASVAB will be administered at Lamar HS on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. The ASVAB is a multiple choice assessment, administered by the United States Military Entrance Processing Command used to determine qualification for enlistment in the United States Armed Forces. This test covers eight general subjects, testing current knowledge and propensity to learn in different subject areas. It contains questions on English, science, mechanics and electronics. To learn more or take a practice test visit <a href="www.asvabprogram.com">www.asvabprogram.com</a> or <a href="https://www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab">https://www.military.com/join-armed-forces/asvab</a>. To register to take the ASVAB at Lamar HS students should complete the registration form at <a href="https://forms.gle/gJvsKGGT5Fgm73Dk7">https://forms.gle/gJvsKGGT5Fgm73Dk7</a>. Students must be logged into the HISD Google account to access the link.

# **HISD's Virtual Parent University**

Learn about academic and testing resources for students.

January 25th at 6:00PM

Join the Zoom meeting here bit.ly/PU011822



### Will you accept this carnation?



Orders can be placed on the second floor from January 24-February 10 during lunch!

All orders will be delivered on Monday February 14th during first period!

## **COLLEGE CORNER**

Just a reminder that the Texas priority deadline for FAFSA and TASFA was January 15th. HOWEVER, YOU CAN STILL COMPLETE THE FAFSA AND TAFSA. Don't miss out on grants and scholarships for college! Texas House Bill 3 implemented completion of FAFSA as a graduation requirement. If you need assistance with completing your FAFSA or TASFA, stop by the College Corner. Upload any financial aid confirmation emails at <a href="https://forms.gle/e38JgGc9bUDvE4zH6">https://forms.gle/e38JgGc9bUDvE4zH6</a>. Additionally, please use the Google Doc above to submit your College Acceptance notifications [screenshot, jpg or pdf].

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Houston ISD > College Readiness > Scholarships [link below] Good source of student scholarships. College Readiness / Scholarships (houstonisd.org)

**2022 LAMAR Alumni HOPE Scholarship** Complete form and turn into the College Corner for processing before 10 February. NEW 2-year option available. Eligibility target range is GPA 2.75 – 3.50. HOPE Scholarship Application 2022

Marvy Finger Foundation Scholarship [HCC specific] 2 year fully funded career fields. See link below for information or pick-up application at College Corner. Deadline 4 February. <a href="https://www.mfffscholarship.com/apply-now/">https://www.mfffscholarship.com/apply-now/</a>

"SENIORS! The Marvy Finger Family Scholarship Application is due February 4th! This is a scholarship that you do NOT want to pass up! 2 FULL years paid in full, a free laptop, work attire/uniforms paid, food vouchers and more, when you are accepted! NO CATCH! Just a 2-year commitment to your technical education program!

SEE College Corner bulletin for weekly updates on scholarships available.

### **BUY THE 2021-22 YEARBOOK NOW!**

This is a year you won't want to forget! Help our yearbook staff reach our goal and buy your yearbook now for \$95. Price jumps to \$125 in March! Order here: <u>Balfour.com</u>

We only have a limited number of yearbooks to sell, so be sure to purchase NOW!

Please contact Kadee Harper, <u>kadee.harper@houstonisd.org</u>, with questions.

## Seniors - Updates from the CLASS of 2022

Senior Dues can be paid on School Pay:

https://www.schoolpay.com/link/LHSCLASS2022



Early Bird Special (Before Dec 17th) \$90

Includes: T-Shirt, Sweet Treat Friday, LHS Fest Early Entry Pass, Diploma Cover, Whataburger Table Tent

School Pay Link:

https://www.schoolpay.com/link/LHSCLASS2022

After January 10th, price is \$100

#### **IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2022 DATES**

November 16, 2021 Panoramic Photo December 4, 2021 Movie Night February 26, 2022 LHS Fest April 2, 2022 Prom June 2022 Graduation

Yearbook, Panoramic Photo, Prom Ticket, Cap & Gown are NOT included in Senior Dues All Cap & Gowns are ordered through Balfour: www.balfour.com

CLASS CHAIRS: BETH LANE & ALYSON ROONEY

SAVE THE DATE: Prom will be April 2, 2022

## **PADLET- Student Opportunities and Community News**

Join our Community Bulletin Board for featured opportunities students and parents. This site provides an information for high school students to browse local employers offering part-time jobs, internships, scholarships and community events all in one convenient place.

https://padlet.com/p00100604/LHScommunityboard

## 2022 PTO Information

The Lamar PTO board would like to sincerely thank everyone who has donated to our Big & Bright fundraising campaign. As you know, part of the money raised goes toward benefiting our teachers and students to enhance the classroom experience.

To date, we've raised \$58,782.82 thanks to many generous donors. Our goal this year is to raise \$70,000. We need to raise an additional \$11,217.18 by the end of the school year to continue to assist in the classroom and for upcoming activities for our senior

class of 2022. If you haven't already and would still like to make a tax deductible donation, please go to our website at <a href="https://www.LamarPTO.org">www.LamarPTO.org</a>.

Still haven't joined the Lamar PTO? It's not too late and membership is FREE! Signing up is easy and only takes a minute, so <u>CLICK HERE</u> to join today! You can also keep up with the PTO by going to our website at <u>www.lamarpto.org</u>.

## ALL GRADES CAN ORDER CLASS RINGS!!



Class Ring. Senior Ring. Graduation Ring. Whatever you call it, we've got you covered.

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See the newest collection of Class Rings online!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISSXrh4rPIQ&t=3s

Check out this video featuring the full collection. Flip through our online catalog that is fully shoppable and won't get lost in the trash.

https://issuu.com/balfour/docs/balfour-lumpkin-ring-sy22 cstmissuu?fr=sODNhMzQxMTUzMjY

## **JOIN LAMAR MEN'S LACROSSE**

IT'S ALMOST LACROSSE SEASON!

New and experienced JV and Varsity players welcomed at all positions!

# \*\* Speed \*\* Agility \*\* Teamwork \*\* Commitment \*\* LAMAR MEN'S LACROSSE

# Come out and see what everyone's talking about and experience the fastest growing team sport in the US!

MONDAY - FRIDAY practices have begun at South Campus - 5:15-6:40p.

Get more info on the website <u>www.lamarlax.org</u> or contact <u>Lori Yi</u> with any questions!



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