



Lamar High School
AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
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CAMP SPARK

March 14, 15 & 16, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CAMP SPARK – CREDIT RECOVERY

Have APEX courses and need to recover credit?

Join us on March 14, 15 and 16 on campus and have access to reliable internet and teachers to help you when you get stuck. We will have someone onsite both days to unlock courses when you get stuck.

Register here – <https://forms.gle/qmj9yHDJh4kT1P7x9>

CAMP SPARK – CREDIT APPEAL

If your student received an *NG on the fall semester report card for one or more classes, students will need to make up the seat time to regain credit for the course. Students are invited to come to campus March 14, 15 or 16 to regain credit for excessive absences.

Register here – <https://forms.gle/xBaJthmmcSik3Nj49>

CAMP SPARK – IB INTERNAL ASSESSMENTS

Students who are preparing IB Internal Assessments and would like assistance are invited to join Ms. Acord on campus for support on Monday, March 14th.

Register here - <https://forms.gle/gZt9Bq3xknu1n2KT7>

CAMP SPARK – KHAN ACADEMY

Want some time and help preparing for PSAT, NMSQT or SAT?

Come to campus during Camp Spark and work on Khan Academy. We can help you link your College Board account and set up a personalized SAT prep program. With access to teachers for support and reliable internet, you can get yourself set up for success.

Register here - <https://forms.gle/4oi4L36rvPWhSiTt7>

CAMP SPARK – ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

Need to earn your 30-hours of Accelerated Instruction for Science?

Current 9th graders who are required to take 30-hours of accelerated instruction for science will be able to use the Camp Spark days to complete the required hours. Students will work on an online program and get support from certified teachers. All content will focus on Biology and help students prepare for the Biology EOC this spring. Dates for this opportunity are March 14, March 15 and March 16.

Register here - <https://forms.gle/2976SL6qmgT5WS577>

CAMP SPARK – INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

Still need to satisfy your Microsoft Industry Certification?

Current 11th and 12th graders who are in our Business program who have not yet earned their Microsoft Industry Certification will need to attend a refresher class and complete testing on either March 14 or 15. A certified business teacher will be on hand to support you as you prepare.

Register here - <https://forms.gle/aJ2XQC9Hiw6Kz5DJ8>

Highlighted Events:

- **Sat. Feb 5th:** Credit Appeal 8:00AM-2:00PM (LHS)
- **Sat. Feb 5th:** AP/IB Saturday Academy 9:00Am-12:00PM (Virtual)
- **Wed. Feb 9th:** SDMC 7:30AM (LHS)
- **Wed. Feb 16th:** Last day to order Cap and Gowns on Campus 11:45-12:45 (Transit Center)

SHOUTOUTS!

DiscoBots Win the Excellence Award

Jan. 22, the robotics team, the Lamar DiscoBots, competed in a robotics tournament located in Montgomery, TX, and received the Excellence Award from VEX Robotics, the highest achievement offered at the competition

Consisting of students Ellery McDaniel, Doruk Dalyanoğlu, Soumil Goyal, Taimur Ilahi, Isaac Harris, Nathan Reese, Japa Parikh, Chiamaka Ibekwe, and Eesa Vettical, the DiscoBots team members were awarded the highest scores in programming skills, the third highest in driver skills, ranked fourth overall in the qualifying matches, and even turned in the second best design notebook.

With this tournament, 2587B has earned their state qualification. They will now be competing at the state-level trying to achieve a spot for the VEX World Championship.



National Signing Day

One of the most exciting moments for a student-athlete is receiving a verbal scholarship offer. Years of hard work have led to this moment. However, nothing is official until you sign the National Letter of Intent. February 2nd 12 Lamar students signed their intent letter:

Football:

Jaivion Green- University of Washington

Jordan Jackson- Stephen F Austin

Kobe Jones- Kilgore Junior College

Orion Irving- Tyler Junior College

Will Richardson- Colorado School of Mines

Tennis:

Alex Koong- Brown University

Lacrosse:

Sasha Arlinghaus- Campbell University

Baseball:

Josh Endo- Southwestern University

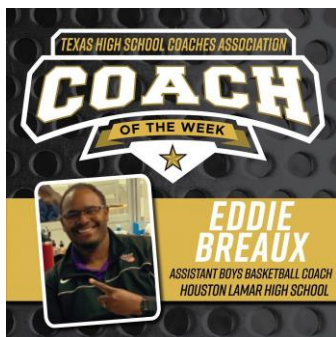
Wilson Woodcox-Tulane University

Matthew Whitting- Blinn College

Jake Vobbe-Tyler Junior College

Hudson Smith-Fairmont State University

Coach Breaux received the *Texas High School Coaches Association* Coach of the Week Award!



Lamar UIL Academic Team

The Lamar UIL Academic team performed very well at their competition last weekend.

Craig Meikleham won 2nd for accounting and 3rd place for mathematics

Mischa Wijesekera won 5th for copy editing, 1st for feature writing, 2nd for editorial writing, 4th place in news writing and placed 3rd for ready writing.

Kayla Pearl placed 3rd for editorial writing, 2nd for feature writing, 5th for headline writing and 1st for news writing.

Annie Frietsch placed 3rd for copy editing, 4th for feature writing, 2nd for ready writing

John Gonzalez placed 2nd for current issue and events and 4th place for social studies.

Brooklyn Slie placed 1st for editorial writing and 2nd for feature writing.

Debate Goes To State!

Khanh Dang (sophomore) and Chuby Madu (senior) represented Lamar's debate team at UIL State Championship at UT Austin. Dang placed 9th and Madu placed 4th and received the title of presiding officer- a rank awarded to outstanding debaters.



Title 1 Parent Series Meeting

We will have our rescheduled Title 1 Parent Meeting makeup session next Tuesday, 2/8/22 at 6pm. This is for our cancelled meeting on 1/18. The topic of our presentation is "Preparing Your Child For College".

We are very grateful to the Nick Finnegan Counseling Center and the "Loving Lamar Initiative", for providing their very knowledgeable presenters.

The link to the meeting will go out on Monday, 2/7/22. Please join us!

Important Spring Testing Updates

10th grade English 2 STAAR EOC Field Test – February 15th

All Houston ISD High Schools have been selected to participate in the Spring 2022 STAAR EOC Field Test. Our 10th grade students, currently taking English 2, will take the STAAR EOC English 2 Field Test on February 15th 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. 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 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. New laptop chargers can be purchased through the Lamar Business Office or using the SchoolPay link at <https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Laptop-Charger---HP-45W--AC-Adapter--550/SCcrNI>. Please note that all students will be responsible for returning a laptop, charger and case at the end of the school year.

11th grade School Day SAT – March 2nd

All 11th grade students have been registered to take the SAT, free of charge, on Wednesday, March 2nd. Testing will start promptly at 8:30 AM. For more information about the SAT, please visit the [College Board website](https://collegeboard.org). To help prepare, students are encouraged to complete practice on [Khan Academy's Official SAT Practice website](https://www.khanacademy.org/sat-practice). When students connect their College Board account with Khan Academy, a free personalized SAT test preparation plan is developed just for them. Students who use Khan Academy's SAT practice average a 115 point increase on their SAT score, as well


as qualify for scholarships from the College Board. We will have calculators available for all 11th graders to use on this test.

December 2021 STAAR EOC Student Results

If your child took a STAAR EOC exam in December 2021, their test results are now available at www.texasassessment.gov. if you do not know your child's Unique Access Code, please click on [Look Up Unique Access Code](#) You will need to enter your child's social security number to locate their code. Their Unique Access Code remains the same from 3rd through 12th grade.

IB Oral Assessment Updates for 11th and 12th Grade Parents:

- All 11th and 12th 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.
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AP/IB Saturday Academy

Need to Practice for Your AP or IB Exam? Join us for AP/IB Saturday Academy!
Live teachers working with you!


AP/IB Saturday Academy November 13, 2021 February 5, 2022 March 5, 2022 April 2, 2022	AP Academy: http://bit.ly/APSaturdayAcademy2022 IB Academy: http://bit.ly/IBSaturdayAcademy2022
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Sessions		
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
9:00am – 9:55am	10:00am – 10:55am	11:00am – 11:55am

AP Courses	IB Courses
Arts: AP 2-D, 3-D, and Drawing	Arts: IB Visual Arts
English: AP English Language, AP English Literature	English: IB Language and Literature and IB Literature
History and Social Sciences: AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP Macroeconomics, AP United States Government and Politics, AP United States History, AP World History: Modern	Individuals and Societies: IB History of the Americas IB Economics
Math: AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics	Math: IB Math AA, IB Math IA
Science: AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1	Science: IB Environmental Systems and Societies
World Languages: AP Spanish Language	Language Acquisition: IB Spanish
Interdisciplinary: AP Seminar	



Sessions for All Students
College Readiness 101- 9 th –11 th graders
College App and Financial Aid (Direct Application Assistance)- 12 th graders


Innovation & Postsecondary Programming

Spring Final Exam Exemptions

Currently the District's Guidelines allow us to exempt a student from one or more final exams if the following conditions are met:

- No more than 3 absences in any class; and
- Grade of 85% or better in the class you wish to be exempt from; and
- S or E in conduct with no discipline referrals

Seniors – Eligible to be exempt from all final exams

Juniors and Sophomores – Eligible to be exempt from up to two final exams

Freshman – Eligible to be exempt for one class final exam

****Critical Note**** We are requesting a modification to the guidelines allowing us to modify the attendance requirements for final exam exemption. We have not yet received that guidance. Stand by for more information.

FFA Carnation Sale



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 TASFA. 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 <https://forms.gle/e38JgGc9bUDvE4zH6> .

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 \(houstonisd.org\)](https://www.houstonisd.org/College-Readiness/Scholarships)

2022 LAMAR Alumni HOPE Scholarship Complete form and RETURN form to 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 or pickup at College Corner.](#)

Marvy Finger Foundation Scholarship [HCC or SanJac specific] 2 year fully funded career fields. See link below for information or pick-up application at College Corner. **Deadline 4 February.** <C:\Users\P00045728\OneDrive - Houston Independent School District\Career Advising\Marvy Finger Scholarship.jpg>

“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: [Balfour.com](https://www.balfour.com)

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

Please contact Kadee Harper, kadee.harper@houstonisd.org, with questions.

Vaccines/Boosters

HEB will be on campus February 12th from 9:00AM-12:00PM for 150 booster doses. If any student needs a first or second Pfizer shot we can give that as well. Here is the registration link for the event: [Lamar High School COVID Vaccination Clinic](#)

Please note the following with registration:

1. Will be required
 - a. There are 150 appointments available
 - b. The drop down menu shows all our COVID vaccinations but only Pfizer can be selected.
2. Please make sure everyone fills out the electronic form completely (parents will need to sign for children 17 years and younger).
3. All registrants need to bring their pharmacy and medical insurance cards to the event.
 - a. The vaccine product is free (paid for by the government)
 - b. We need the insurance to process for administration fee

Seniors - Updates from the **CLASS of 2022**

Senior Dues can be paid on School Pay:

<https://www.schoolpay.com/link/LHSCCLASS2022>

TE★ANS
CLASS OF 2022

Senior Dues

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/LHSCCLASS2022>

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

For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

2022 PTO Information



Parents, we need volunteers to help with set up, food sales and clean up on Monday, February 14th. We are also soliciting soda donations for the event. Click here to help volunteer and/or donate sodas: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849A8A923A75-funfood1>

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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_cstm-issuu?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 www.lamarlax.org or contact [Lori Yi](#) with any questions!



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