

Lamar High School AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL Rita Graves

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Principal's Corner



Over the next two weeks I will be reviewing and planning for the shift in our district budget model. I will be sharing that information in early April in a special meeting with our SDMC. After that I will share with the full faculty and staff and intend to share the budget information for all parents during the April 6 General PTO Meeting. Please stay aware and watch for opportunities for you to learn more about what this budgeting transition will look like for Lamar.

Highlighted Events:

- Thu. Mar. 24th: Orchestra Performance 6:00PM Grand Hall
- Fri. Mar. 25th: Theatre UIL Show 7:00PM (Black Box)
- Sat. Mar. 26th: Theatre UIL Show 7:00PM (Black Box)
- Mon. Mar. 28th: School Holiday- No students or teachers
- Sat. Apr. 2nd: PROM 8:00PM-12:00 AM (Bayou City Event Center)
- Tue. Apr. 5th: STAAR EOC English I 8:30AM (LHS)
- Tue. Apr. 5th: Late Start for non-STAAR Testers 12:00PM
- Wed. Apr. 6th: StuCo Blood Drive 8:30AM (LHS)
- Thu. Apr 7th: STAAR EOC English II 8:30AM (LHS)
- <u>Thu. Apr 7th:</u> Late Start for non-STAAR testers 12:00PM

SHOUTOUTS!

Math Club

Congratulations! Senior **Craig Meikleham** placed 2nd and 4th in UIL Math and UIL Calculator Applications. We also had the highest turnout for the UIL Math competition across all grade

levels. We want to give an extra shout to **Jake Ruiz Moran**, a freshman for competing for the very first time. We welcome more Lamar Texans to join us!

Congratulations! **Yazeed Dajani** (senior) won Texas High School Coach's Association Academic All State Boys Basketball Award

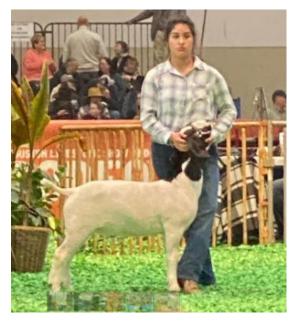
FFA Exhibiting at Houston Rodeo



D'Savion Hawthorne-Henderson who participated in the HLSR Calf Scramble on Wednesday, March 16th, caught a calf and was awarded the Calf Scramble Certificate.



Leigh Ryan exhibited her market goat project at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.



Jewlyann Cruz exhibited her market goat project at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.



Livestock Evaluation Team that participated in the HLSR Livestock Evaluation CDE contest on Monday, March 14th. Their names from left to right are as followed: **Damia Haynes, Maria Cruz, Rowan Darroch, Leiah Lopez.**



FFA members that participated in the HLSR Program Sales on Monday, March 14th.



Meat Judging Team participating in the HLSR Meat Judging CDE Contest on Saturday, March 6, 2022. Their names from left to right are as followed: **Khyri Raymond, Susie Lane, Kyarria Authorlee, Sam Henderson.**



Vet Science Contest at the Houston Rodeo. Their names from left to right are **Jewlyann** Cruz, Nicole Romero, and Jiremy Deloeste.



Kelly Saucedo exhibited her steer project at the Houston Rodeo in the Santa Gertrudis Breed category. Kelly also participated in the Calf Scramble on Tuesday, March 15th, caught a calf and was awarded a Calf Scramble Certificate.

Boys Basketball Awards



Yazeed Dajani -Texas High school Coach's Association Academic All State



Orion Irving 34 1st Team All District



Robert Gill 1st Team All District



Kennedy Ward Defensive Player of Year



Brandon Thomas First Team All District



Kenny Rosenthal 1 Second Team All District

Testing Updates

Important Spring Testing Updates

STAAR EOC Exams

STAAR EOC exams will be administered on the dates listed below. All students are required to take and pass the five STAAR End of Course (EOC) exams before graduating. Beginning this spring, all STAAR exams will be administered through the online testing platform. All students will test on their HISD issued laptop. If your child's laptop or charger is missing or broken, it is critical that they go to the Lamar IT Office (N215) immediately. **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 https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Laptop-Charger---HP-45W--AC-Adapter--

<u>550/SCcrNI</u>. Please note that all students will be responsible for returning a laptop, charger and case at the end of the school year.

Practice Online STAAR EOC exams can be viewed here

STAAR EOC Testing Dates

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)

Advanced Placement (AP) Exams

All students taking an AP class during the fall semester have been registered to take the AP exam on the date listed below. Students enrolled in AP classes are required to take the corresponding AP exam as part of the course requirements. Houston ISD has paid the registration fee for our students to take these exams. As a result, any student not taking the required AP exam will be charged a \$40 non-use fee by the College Board. AP students have been emailed information regarding their exam registration and should check their MyAP account for additional testing information.

AP Exam Dates

AP US Government	Monday, May 2 @ 8:30	
AP Art History	Friday, May 6 @ 12:45	
AP Comp Science Principles Monday, May 9 @ 12:45		
AP World History	Thursday, May 12 @ 8:30	

IB Exams

Students in IB classes are expected to participate in all oral and written assessments. Students who choose not to participate in all IB assessments will not be eligible for final exam exemptions, may lose their status as a Diploma Programme or Career-Related Programme candidate, and will not be eligible to earn potential college credit for successful completion of their IB courses.

11th Grade School Day SAT Scores

Juniors who took the SAT at Lamar on March 2nd will be able to view their test results on the <u>College Board website</u> beginning March 25th.

Testing Calendar

A calendar of all Spring 2022 testing (STAAR EOC, AP, IB, Finals) dates can be found here

Save the Date

On the following testing days, students not testing will have a late start. Non-testing students will report to school at 12:00 PM. Following lunch, all students will follow a modified A/B day schedule with 45 minute periods for the afternoon.

April 5, 20222

- April 7, 2022
- May 3, 2022
- May 4, 2022
- May 5, 2022

May 12, 2022

Late Start Testing Days								
Testing Students			Non-Testing Students					
Periods	Start	End	Minutes	Periods	Start	End	Minutes	
Testing	8:30			NOT ON CAMPUS				
Passing	12:00	12:10	10 min	Arrive	12:00	12:10	10 min	
Lunch	12:10	12:45	35 min	Lunch	12:10	12:45	35 min	
Passing	12:45	12:50	5 min	Passing	12:45	12:50	5 min	
2 nd /6 th	12:50	1:35	45 min	2 nd /6 th	12:50	1:35	45 min	
Passing	1:35	1:42	7 min	Passing	1:35	1:42	7 min	
3 rd /7 th	1:42	2:27	45 min	3 rd /7 th	1:42	2:27	45 min	
Passing	2:27	2:34	7 min	Passing	2:27	2:34	7 min	
1 st /5 th	2:34	3:19	45 min	1 st /5 th	2:34	3:19	45 min	
Passing	3:19	3:26	7 min	Passing	3:19	3:26	7 min	
4 th /8 th	3:26	4:10	44 min	4 th /8 th	3:26	4:10	44 min	

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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

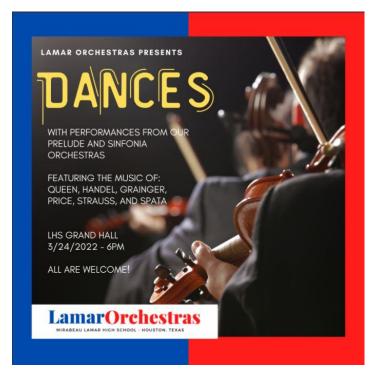
Juniors and Sophomores – Eligible to be exempt from up to two final exams

Freshman – Eligible to be exempt for one class final exam

11th and 12th grade students in IB courses must submit all IB assessments, sit for IB exams in May, and participate in all oral assessments. To be exempt from finals in 11th and 12th grade IB courses, students must also have all IB assessments complete. Dr. Acord is providing students with IB assessment work days during our spring break Camp Spark on the 14th all day and on the 15th and 16th until 11 am. Students who need additional IB support should attend Camp Spark with Dr. Acord.

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.

Orchestra Performance



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.

SENIORS: Upload any financial aid confirmation emails at <u>https://forms.gle/e38JgGc9bUDvE4zH6</u>.

Additionally, please use the Google Doc above to submit your College Acceptance notifications [screenshot, jpg or pdf].

JUNIORS. <u>2022 QuestBridge College Prep Scholars Program</u> for high school juniors opens in early February. **QuestBridge is a nationally recognized nonprofit that equips academically outstanding, low-income students with the tools to gain admission and full four-year scholarships to** over 45 top colleges.

JUNIORS. **Did you know...**the Spring Semester are the grades, transcripts, and class ranking that get submitted for many of your Fall college applications.

SCHOLARSHIPS

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

2022 LAMAR Alumni HOPE Scholarship Applications are in review. Select students will b scheduled for an in-person interview to determine 2022 scholarship awardess.

SEE College Corner bulletin for weekly updates on scholarships available.

FRESHMAN & SOPHOMORES!

Your college prep has already begun – surprised? Start finding leadership opportunities in clubs and organizations. Look NOW for summer college STEM or Summer Programs and Texas colleges and colleges of interest. Document your volunteer hours, not just NHS, but college resume.

University of Houston – BAUER College of Business Summer Institute https://www.bauer.uh.edu/undergraduate/summercamp/

Italian Cultural & Community Center of Houston. Annual \$1,000 renewable scholarships to graduating high school seniors of Italian descent, to any degree on either side of parentage. SUBMIT applications by the April 8, 2022 deadline. To find more information about the scholarships we have available and the forms you can click on https://www.iccchouston.com/scholarships/

COLLEGE Corner advisors are available by appointment and open to all students.

SEE College Corner bulletin for weekly updates on scholarships available.

Mini Band Camp



Mini Band Camp coming soon!!

Set your reminder for the dates and times listed. Come learn new music, check out the band hall, meet current members of The Lamar Band and within your section. Find out what high school band is like. No experience needed to be in one of the most energetic and outstanding bands. Join The Lamar High School Band family. See you soon!

#lamarproud

#lamartexanband

#onebandonesound

Laptop Collection

Laptop collection will start **May 16th**. All students are expected to be ready to return their laptops on **May 16th** at their scheduled time. Students should return their laptops, charger, and case. If you are missing your charger or case you can purchase a replacement on <u>school pay</u>. If you had to buy a replacement item please have a copy of the receipt either printed or digital with your ID number showing when you come to turn in your laptop. All laptops need to be returned in the same condition as they were handed out to you. Please remove any stickers off the device before May 16. If a student has any damage on their laptop please come by the IT office, N215, before the week of laptop collection to get that resolved. Please backup any items you will need from the laptop to Google Drive, a flash drive or to your email; you will not receive the same laptop back in the Fall and all items not saved will be lost.

Baseball Fundraiser

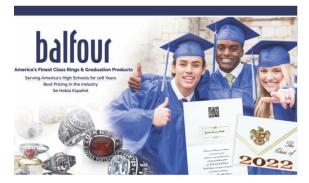


Join us at Christian's Tailgate on March 30th.

SENIOR 2022 INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES:

- *Prom King and Queen Nominations- March 24th and 25th
- *Prom King and Queen Voting- March 30th and 31st
- *Prom- April 2nd (Bayou Event Center) 8:00-12:00AM
- *Senior Finals May 31st-June 3rd
- *Senior Check Out- May June 6th-7th
- *Graduation Saturday, June 11th (NRG) 7:00PM



Cap and Gowns

Place your cap and gown orders online at <u>balfour.com</u> today.

Invitations:

Go to <u>balfour.com</u> to place your order for graduation invitations.

Senior Fees:

Regular senior Fees: \$100 (or the rest of the year)

Method of payment: School Pay: schoolpay.com

2022 SENIOR PROM INFORMATION

Night at the MET Gala: Enchanted Garden

Saturday, April 2, 2022

Bayou Event Center

9401 Knight Road

Houston, Texas 77045

8:00PM-12:00 Midnight

Important: Students are unable to enter the prom after 9:30PM

Formal wear for ladies and gentlemen

** ALL CLOTHING MUST ADEQUATELY COVER CHEST, MIDRIFT AND THIGHS**

NO TICKET SOLD AT THE DOOR

You must check into prom by 9:30PM SHARP or will not be admitted. If you leave the prom,

you will not be able to re-enter.

NO BAGS ALLOWED.

Purses and persons will be checked before entering. No outside food or drinks allowed.

Party buses and vans will be subject to search upon arrival. Furthermore, all vehicles must be valet parked. Car keys will be left with the valet.

No parking of cars at Bayou City Event Center before your arrival to prom.

You may NOT go to your car to get things until you are ready to leave for the night.

Prom is not a lock-in. You may leave at any time, but you may not re-enter.

You may NOT go to your car to get things until you are ready to leave.

Senior Final Schedule

Seniors will take exams during their regularly scheduled periods on these days and exempt seniors must report to class for all periods to avoid absences that would make them ineligible for exemptions.

Tuesday, May 31-Periods 1 & 2 Wednesday, June 1- Periods 7 & 8 Thursday, June 2-Period 3 & 4 Friday, June3- Periods 5 & 6

Senior Check Out

Monday, June 6 th 9:00-11:00AM	Gym and Grand Hall
Tuesday, June 7 th 9:00-11:00AM	Gym and Grand Hall

Once you have an invitation to check out, you must come to the designated location on your invitation. You will not be allowed to check out early.

Senior Check Out sheets will be distributed in the Grand Hall. Seniors must take care of any remaining fines and fees before check-out.

Contact the business office or email

LamarBusinessOffice@houstonisd.org to settle all outstanding balances.

No senior will be allowed to participate in commencement

without going through the checkout process.

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.

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://wke.lt/w/s/y3PC4F



PTO NEWS

Please join us for the next general meeting of the Lamar PTO scheduled for Wednesday, April 6th at 6:00 p.m. Stay tuned for details.

ALL GRADES CAN ORDER CLASS RINGS!!



Class Ring. Senior Ring. Graduation Ring. Whatever you call it, we've got you covered. ALL GRADES CAN ORDER CLASS RINGS!!

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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