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# **Principal's Corner**



## **New Campus Resource: Lamar Writing Center**

We are excited to announce the opening of the Lamar Writing Lab! The Writing Lab has been set up in partnership with and modeled after the Rice Writing Center at Rice University.

Students will be able to sign up for 30-minute writing coaching sessions (either virtual or in person) with Writing Consultants from Rice University or with Lamar Peer Writing Coaches who have gone through a multi-session training under the model of the Rice University Writing Center.

We chose the name "Writing Lab" to emphasize the fact that all writing is experimental! Just like in a science experiment, writing is a multi-step process that may change, and its results should be seen as flexible. It's never about the finished product; it's all about the process and what you learn from it. The mission of the Lamar Writing Lab is to encourage Lamar students to engage with and enjoy the writing process!

One important difference between a Writing Lab session and a tutoring session is that we aren't *editing* your writing—we are guiding you through the writing process! Each writer maintains ownership of their writing in their sessions. Our consultants and peer coaches are trained to use the Socratic method to help the writer engage deeply in thought about their writing, building critical thinking skills that will be useful *long after the session* and *long after that particular assignment!* 

Sessions can cover writing goals like: idea generation/brainstorming for an assignment, feedback on the content of a piece of writing, help with organizing your ideas in a piece of writing, citation & formatting assistance, post-high school writing (college apps, resumes, cover letters), or visual/oral presentations.

The Lamar Writing Lab is open to all Lamar students for any piece of writing you may have, whether it be a school assignment or a college or job application.

Virtual appointments are available now, and you can look for in-person appointments (in room N212 in the North Building) to begin when we get back from Spring Break!

Our hours are Monday/Wednesday/Friday 11:45-12:45 and 2:00 PM-5:00 PM.

You can see our Bookings page to sign up for an available session at this link: <a href="https://bit.ly/labspring22">https://bit.ly/labspring22</a>

Writing Lab Session Sign Up - You can book online!

You can now book and manage appointments using our booking page.

bit.ly



## **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 - <a href="https://forms.gle/xBaJthmmcSik3Nj49">https://forms.gle/xBaJthmmcSik3Nj49</a>

## **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 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-2:00 and on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00. Register here - <a href="https://forms.gle/gZt9Bq3xknu1n2KT7">https://forms.gle/gZt9Bq3xknu1n2KT7</a>

## **CAMP SPARK – SAT Prep**

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

Come to campus during Camp Spark and get assistance in preparing for your college entrance exam. and work on Khan Academy.

Register here - <a href="https://forms.gle/4oi4L36rvPWhSiTt7">https://forms.gle/4oi4L36rvPWhSiTt7</a>

### CAMP SPARK - ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

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

Current 9<sup>th</sup> 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. Dates for this opportunity are March 14, March 15 and March 16.

Register here for Biology - https://forms.gle/2976SL6qmgT5WS577

Register here for U.S. History - <a href="https://forms.gle/65kHGsNj1pwjrNTU9">https://forms.gle/65kHGsNj1pwjrNTU9</a>

### **CAMP SPARK - INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION**

Still need to satisfy your Microsoft Industry Certification?

Current 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

# **Highlighted Events:**

- Fri. Mar. 4th: Report Card Day
- Fri. Mar. 5th: AP/IB Saturday 9:00AM (Virtual)
- Sat. Mar. 5th: Movie Night 6:00PM (LHS)
- Mon. Mar. 14th: Baseball Spirit Night -Christian's Tailgate 5:00-10:00PM (Kirby Drive)
- Mon. Mar. 14th-Fri. Mar. 18th: Spring Break NO STUDENTS

- Mon. Mar 14th: Camp Spark 8:00-2:00 (LHS)
- Tue. Mar. 15th: Camp Spark 8:00-2:00 (LHS)
- Tue. Mar. 15th: Baseball Spirit Night -Christian's Tailgate 5:00-10:00PM (Kirby Drive)
- Wed. Mar 16th: Camp Spark 8:00-2:00 (LHS)

# **SHOUTOUTS!**







Teacher of the Year- Shelby Hicks!

New Teacher of the Year- Benito Toscano!

### **Lamar Texan Visual Artists**

**Congratulations!** Visual Artists for outstanding performances in 2 spring contests: The National Scholastic Arts and Writing Awards, and the Statewide VASE arts event.

In the Scholastic competition our artists brought home 4 silver key awards and 3 gold keys. The following students earned silver keys: **Pam Fajardo**, **Madison Gernhart**, **Mace Klein**, **and Aubriella Poole**. The following students earned gold keys which represents the highest level of artistic achievement in the Houston region: **Eliza Crawford**, **Han Nguyen**, **and Zoe Villalobos**.

In the TEXAS VASE competition the following artists advanced to the STATE exhibition: **Andrew Albarran**, **Gustavo Angeli**, and **Aubriella Poole**.

If you know any of these high achieving creative students, please congratulate them on their success!!!

Great job LAMARTISTS and best of luck at STATE VASE!!!

## **Boys Golf**

**Congratulations!** Stephen Hernandez for winning first place in the field of over 150 golfers.

Also **congratulations** to the Varsity Golf for getting third place as a team!

#### Football:

**Congratulations!** John Morstead for being honored at the Houston Touchdown Club Scholar Athlete Banquet. John has excelled on the field and in the classroom at Lamar the last 4 years.

# **Lamar Go Texan Day- Rodeo Contest Voting**

Lamar High School has been selected as a finalist for public voting in the 2022 Houston Rodeo Go Texan Day Contest! Our video is now published on the contest page under the Schools (K-12 + Higher Education) category and voting is now open.

We can earn extra points in the contest by sharing the contest voting page using our unique URL link below! Share the link in social media, email, text messages, etc. and earn points when you click on the link and vote on contest videos.

### **OUR UNIQUE URL LINK TO SHARE:**

https://m.shortstack.page/dJ0B9h?sre=rl2M5Gs8zzxjp

Thank you to all students, faculty and staff for participating in the Lamar Go Texan Day! We encourage everyone to vote for Lamar HS using the link above. GO LAMAR TEXANS!

Please note that, only votes cast on the Contest page and points for clicks to your unique URL link to the Contest page will be counted. No "Likes" or "Shares" will be counted from YouTube, Vimeo, or any other social media sites although it is encouraged to share the contest page link to earn more points for Lamar High School.

# **ALL SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT- Shang-Chi**



RSVP: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B45AFAF22A2FA7-movie

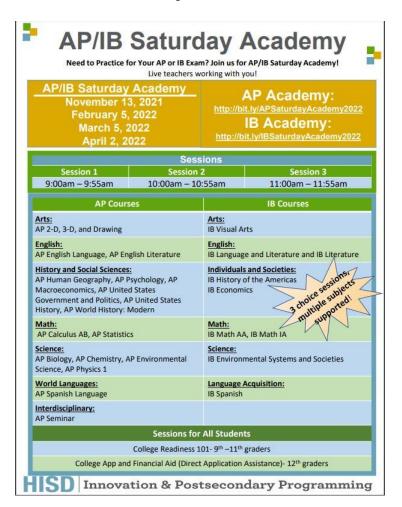
## **BUY THE 2021-22 YEARBOOK NOW!**

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, kadee.harper@houstonisd.org, with questions.

# AP/IB Saturday- March 5th



## 11th Grade Student Led Conferences

Every student will participate in the Student Led Conference. Students will attend inperson, while parents will join virtually via Microsoft Teams or by phone call. This video will provide you with insight as to what will occur during the Student Led Conference and what the student needs to do to prepare.

Academic Deans are scheduling Student Led Conferences with students and parents. If you receive a scheduled conference that does not work for you, please email your Academic Dean to request to reschedule. If you have not received a date/time yet, you will.

The digital portfolio should include the following: 2 academic goals, one personal goal, and IB Learner Profile attributes. Students should also include one artifact from each of their core classes and one elective. If you have not started your electronic portfolio, use the following link to DUPLICATE a copy of the portfolio

## **StuCo**

Hey Texans! We hope all Lamar Juniors put their best efforts into the SAT yesterday, great job! Student council will be hosting our second club meeting this Thursday: 3/3, we would love to see more of the student body getting involved at Lamar. If you can't make it to the meeting, no need to worry, we have a meeting on the first Thursday of every month and you are welcome anytime! Lastly, let's finish this week strong by getting our work turned in on time and staying in dress code! Have a great rest of your week Lamar and a fun and safe weekend.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding STUCO please email lamarstudentcouncil@gmail.com.

# **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

11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> all day and on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> until 11 am. Students who need additional IB support should attend Camp Spark with Dr. Acord.1

\*\*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.

## **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 https://forms.gle/e38JgGc9bUDvE4zH6.

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. College Readiness / Scholarships (houstonisd.org)

**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.

SEE College Corner bulletin for weekly updates on scholarships available.

## **College Sorority Information for Senior Women [HAPA]**

The Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Association would like to invite all high school senior women to join us at the Recruitment Roundtable on February 26th. The purpose of Recruitment Roundtable is to answer questions regarding sorority life in college. More information can be found at Houston Sorority Recruitment (houston-panhellenic.org)

## 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.

University of Houston – BAUER College of Business Summer Institute <a href="https://www.bauer.uh.edu/undergraduate/summercamp/">https://www.bauer.uh.edu/undergraduate/summercamp/</a>

COLLEGE Corner advisors are available by appointment and open to all students. [Hint: 5 P's work]

# **Mini Band Camp**



## **2022 SENIOR PROM INFORMATION**

THEME: Night at the MET Gala: Enchanted Garden

DATE: Saturday, April 2, 2022

LOCATION: Bayou Event Center

9401 Knight Road

Houston, Texas 77045

TIME: 8:00PM-12:00 Midnight

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

ATTIRE: Formal wear for ladies and gentlemen

\*\* ALL CLOTHING MUST ADEQUATELY COVER CHEST, MIDRIFT AND THIGHTS\*\*

NO TICKET SOLD AT THE DOOR

# **SENIOR 2022 INFORMATION**

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

\*Prom- April 2nd (Bayou Event Center) 8:00-12:00AM

\*Senior Finals - May 24th-27th

\*Senior Check Out- May 31st- June 3rd

\*Graduation - Saturday, June 11th (NRG) 7:00PM

## **Cap and Gowns**

Place your cap and gown orders online at <u>balfour.com</u> today. the prices for cap and gown has increase by \$10.00 on March 1st.

### Invitations:

Go to balfour.com to place your order for graduation invitations.

# **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

# **2022 PTO Information**



# Lamar High School Letterman Jacket Sizing

Wednesday, March 23

**During Lunch** 

**Transportation Center** 

Dear Lettermen,

Dilly Letter Jackets will be **on Campus Wednesday, March 23** during lunch in the Transportation Center. At this time we will be taking Athletic Orders for Basketball, Swimming and Wrestling. All other Organizations and Fine Arts Activities will need to see their sponsors for information about ordering. All students will be sized during lunch and given an estimate for payment of customization. Payment can be made that day during lunch or through our website, mail or in person at our office.

We look forward to seeing you soon and creating a memory of a lifetime.



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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