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Principal's Corner



Last year at this time we could not have imagined what this year would be like. I am so proud of the Lamar community – students, faculty and staff, parents and our community supporters. Every success this year has been a result of persistence, determination and an incredible effort to work together. Every stumble has been an opportunity for us to prove to ourselves that getting up is the measure of resilience that gets us closer to success.

Thank you for your support of Lamar High School, your trust in the adults on campus who work so hard to shepherd your children toward adulthood, and for the many hours of time given by our volunteers to grow and strengthen this community.

Whether you are looking for adventure or rest (or maybe a little of both), I wish you the best this summer. We look forward to welcoming our Texans back in August and wish our graduates a smooth transition to college or the workforce.

Highlighted Events

- **Fri. June 11th- Last Day of School for Students**
- **Fri. June 11th- Final Exams (9th - 11th)**

- **Fri. June 11th- Early Dismissal @ 1 pm**
- **Sun. June 13th- Senior Graduation (Delmar Field) 8 am** ****GRADUATES MUST**
ARRIVE TO DELMAR FIELD AT 6:30 AM*- 2020 Mangum Road, Houston, Tx 77092**
- **Mon. June 14th-** Last Day for Teachers
- **Tues. June 15th-** Summer Vacation Begins
- **Thurs. June 17th-** Summer School Starts

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<div>June 2021</div>		Important Information				
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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PLEASE POST IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

SPRING SEMESTER FINALS BELL SCHEDULE 2020-2021

OFFICIAL ADA TIME EACH DAY IS AT 10:25 A.M.

SENIOR SCHEDULE

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

Tuesday, June 1 - Periods 1 & 2

Wednesday, June 2 – Periods 7 & 8

Thursday, June 3 – Periods 3 & 4

Friday, June 4 – Periods 5 & 6

June 7 – Seniors should check in to Teams for all A Day classes.

June 8-11 – Seniors will receive a link each day to check-in. Students must check-in each day to receive attendance credit. Loss of attendance credit could mean loss of finals exemptions or loss of credit for the course.

Tuesday, June 8

PERIOD 2 8:30 -10:35

PERIOD 1 10:45 -12:50

LUNCH 12:50 - 1:00

DISMISSAL 1:00 PM

Wednesday, June 9

PERIOD 6 8:30 – 10:35

PERIOD 5 10:45 – 12:50

LUNCH 12:50 - 1:00

DISMISSAL 1:00 PM

Thursday, June 10

PERIOD 3 8:30 – 10:35

PERIOD 4 10:45 – 12:50

LUNCH 12:50 – 1:00

DISMISSAL 1:00 PM

Friday, June 11

PERIOD 7 8:30 – 10:35

PERIOD 8 10:45 – 12:50

LUNCH 12:50 - 1:00

DISMISSAL 1:00 PM

Updated 5-12-21

Transportation for 2021-2022 School Year

HISD is continuing to monitor Health and Safety guidelines and we will know more about new transportation policies in the coming weeks. Each campus is required to submit requests to the HISD transportation department. If you would like to request transportation for your child for the 2021-2022 school year please complete the form using the link below by Friday, June 18th.

<https://forms.gle/jB1zuVmSE7F2xN1Q7>

We will submit these names to the HISD transportation department and they will contact you directly in August regarding your request.

As a reminder students attending a campus on a Boundary Option, Hardship, or Space Available transfer are never eligible for HISD transportation. Students zoned to Lamar must live more than two miles from the campus to be eligible for transportation. <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/31935>

Graduation Tickets and Parking Pass Information

TO OBTAIN GUEST PASSES:

- Go To: <https://gofan.co>
- Search for the name of your high school
- Click on the Date and Time for your school's graduation
- Enter the Student ID Number in the Promo Code field and Click 'Apply'. Please note: all access codes are limited to one use
- Choose the number of tickets you want by clicking the “+” button
- Click 'Get Tickets'.
- On the Review and Buy page, click Add Information, Enter and Submit.

Click Buy Now - Enter your email as a guest or create an account. This ensures you receive your confirmation email and parking passes. • Click 'Buy Tickets' to complete the transaction.

NOTE: Tickets can be shared via text, with other mobile devices.

FOR TECHNICAL ISSUES:

- Go To: <https://gofan.co> for any technical issues related to tickets and/or parking passes.

TO OBTAIN PARKING PASSES:

- Parking passes will be emailed to the email address used in the user profile. • **PARKING PASSES MUST BE PRINTED AND DISPLAYED ON VEHICLE DASHBOARD.**

TICKET REDEMPTION PROCESS:

- Present electronic ticket, on a mobile device. • **DO NOT PRESS “REDEEM”, PRIOR TO ENTRY.** AUTHORIZED STAFF WILL COMPLETE THE PROCESS. • When presenting access tickets at the gates, click “VIEW TICKETS”.

NOTE: Someone from Lamar administration will be at the entry gate to assist with ticket/entry issues.

News on the Graduation Live Stream

The 2021 Graduation Ceremony Live Stream landing page is now live:

<https://www.houstonisd.org/2021grads> on the HISD website.

Please note that the links will be posted as we get closer to the graduation dates. Please refer family and friends who cannot attend in person to this website.

Senior Check-Out & Graduation Information

2021 Senior Information

Monday, June 7th	Senior Checkout- 9 am -12:00 noon & 1 – 3 pm Transit Center Drive-thru
Tuesday, June 8th	Senior Checkout- 9 am-12:00 noon & 1:20 – 4 pm Transit Center Drive-thru
Wednesday, June 9th	Senior Checkout- 9 am-12:00 noon & 1:20 – 4 pm Transit Center Drive-thru
Thursday, June 10th	Senior Checkout- 9 am-12:00 noon & 1:20 – 4 pm Transit Center Drive-thru

Once you have been cleared to check out, you will receive an email notification with a link to select a day and time that works for you come to campus to check out. You must come to the designated location above within your allotted time. You will not be allowed to check out early.

Senior Checkout sheets will be distributed in the transit center. Seniors must take care of any remaining fines and fees before check-out. Contact the business office or email Lamarhshouston@gmail.com to settle all outstanding balances. No senior will be allowed to participate in commencement without going through the check-out process.

Sunday, June 13 th	GRADUATION DAY 8:00 AM in DELMAR FIELD Seniors will report at 6:30 AM
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Graduation is an optional activity. If you choose to participate, proper attire **must** be worn. Proper attire is:

1. The mortarboard (cap) should sit FLAT on the head, not tilted at an angle. All hairstyles should allow the mortarboard to sit correctly on the head. **A decorated mortarboard (cap) is allowed;** however, it must be PG **or it will be confiscated upon entry.**
2. Gentlemen must wear a collared shirt, with a tie, dark slacks and dress shoes. Dark shoes are best.

3. Young ladies should wear dresses, skirts, or dress slacks. Flat shoes or wedges are recommended as graduates will be walking on the artificial turf. They can be a hazard on the ramps as ladies walk across the stage. Also, there is a lot of walking so comfortable shoes are preferred.
4. **Jeans, shorts, flip-flops, and tennis shoes of any kind** are not acceptable. If you wear these items, you will not be permitted to participate in graduation exercises.
5. No electronics of any kind will be permitted in the stage area. Seniors will be screened for them before entry.

Family and friends will be admitted for seating at 7:00 AM in Delmar Stadium. Early arrival is advised to ensure best seating. No one may block off seats for guests arriving later. Handicap seating is available; please check with a representative upon entering for assistance. Metal detectors will be used for everyone's safety.

No balloons, banners, air horns or items that distract from the ceremony will be allowed. Security will confiscate these items. This is a solemn and dignified event, and we ask that all families be respectful and attentive as each student graduates. **All graduates must leave cameras, purses, cell phones and other personal items outside or with family members. Graduates may bring only their cap and gown into the stadium with them.** Caps and gowns must be carried through the security checkpoint and may not be worn as they enter the facility. All Graduates **must** stay for the entire ceremony.

Additional Information:

Still photos will be taken by Flash Photography, 3001 South University, Ft. Worth, TX 76109. Their phone number is 1.800.410.8070. A proof will be sent by the company after graduation to the graduate's home. You may order your photos directly from Flash Photography.

Each graduate is eligible for 8 guest tickets and two parking passes. Parking is limited. The graduate will need one of the parking passes if they are driving separately from family.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rita Graves, Principal



Senior Class of 2021 Update

Senior Check-Out:

June 7th - 10th

June 11th- 1:20 - 4 pm (Make-up Day)



CAP & GOWNS CAN BE PURCHASED DURING SENIOR CHECK-OUT

\$55.00 CASH ONLY for Cap & Gown

\$10 CASH ONLY FOR CAP

\$10 CASH ONLY FOR TASSEL

Cap & Gowns are distributed during Senior Check-out.

Graduation Date: Sunday, June 13, 2021

Time: 8:00 AM

Students: 6:30 AM

Location: Delmar Field

Address: 2020 Mangum Road, Houston, Texas 77092

GRADUATION TICKETS PER STUDENT: Students will have access to 8 tickets

for guests and 2 parking passes for graduation.

CLASS OF 2021 PANORAMIC PICTURES

Order your copy today!



Panoramic Pictures

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Virtual Graduate Panoramic Picture

Price Package:

**\$25.00– Large Laminated
Panoramic Picture**

Order Your Picture at:

<https://goldbeckcompany.net/covid19>

(Goldbeck Company is covering the postage for pictures to be mailed you your home address)



(Actual Picture Size: 10" x 36")

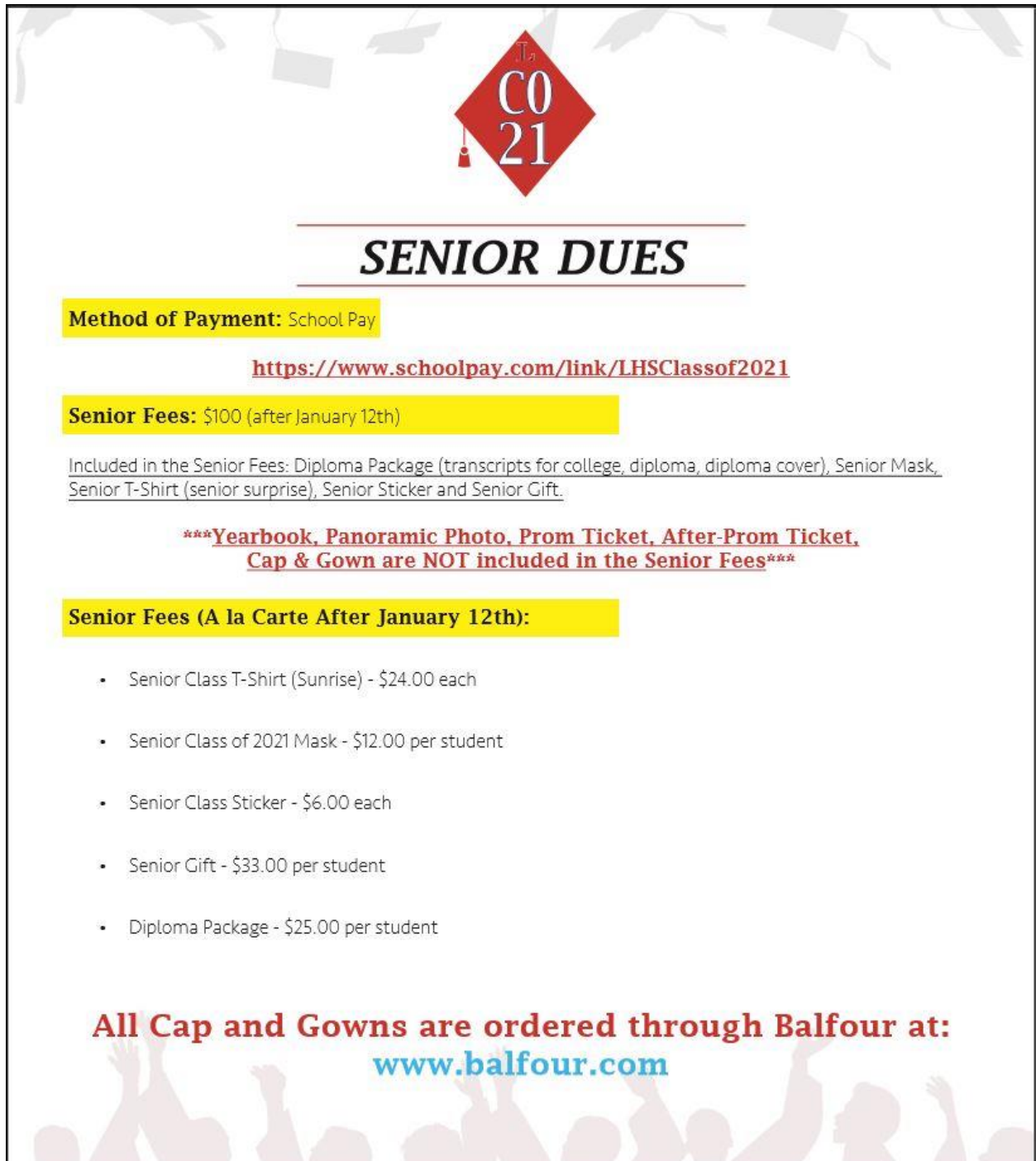
Contact us with any questions:

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Click: to download a copy.

Remember to pay your Senior Dues!



The poster features a red diamond logo with 'C0 21' and a graduation cap. The background is white with faint silhouettes of graduation caps at the top and students cheering at the bottom. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold, italicized, and underlined fonts.

Method of Payment: School Pay

<https://www.schoolpay.com/link/LHSClassof2021>

Senior Fees: \$100 (after January 12th)

Included in the Senior Fees: Diploma Package (transcripts for college, diploma, diploma cover), Senior Mask, Senior T-Shirt (senior surprise), Senior Sticker and Senior Gift.

*****Yearbook, Panoramic Photo, Prom Ticket, After-Prom Ticket, Cap & Gown are NOT included in the Senior Fees*****

Senior Fees (A la Carte After January 12th):

- Senior Class T-Shirt (Sunrise) - \$24.00 each
- Senior Class of 2021 Mask - \$12.00 per student
- Senior Class Sticker - \$6.00 each
- Senior Gift - \$33.00 per student
- Diploma Package - \$25.00 per student

All Cap and Gowns are ordered through Balfour at:
www.balfour.com

Also click

Seniors should have received the following items:

Class of 2021 sunrise t-shirt

Class of 2021 beach towel

Class of 2021 face mask

Class of 2021 sticker

*** Email [Mrs. Jones](#) to make arrangements for your missing senior gear.**

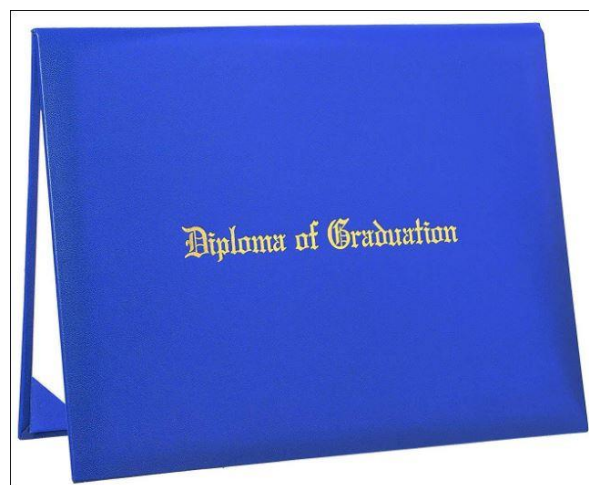
The following items will be distributed during senior check-out:

Class of 2021 senior gift

Early bird Whataburger tent



The following item will be distributed at Graduation, June 13. 2021:



Diploma and cover

Yearbook Distribution

The 2021 YEARBOOK is here!!

Please pick up your yearbook during one of the following dates and times:

- Friday, June 11th, GRAND HALL, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday, June 14th, GRAND HALL, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We will not distribute yearbooks throughout the summer! Please be sure to pick up your book.

If you cannot make these dates or times, please email our yearbook adviser.

kadee.harper@houstonisd.org

WE STILL HAVE SOME COPIES AVAILABLE. You're going to want this yearbook as 2020-21 was a year to remember!

Purchase before we sell out on Schoolpay: www.bit.ly/buyLHYearbook2021

College Corner Summer Series

If you are looking for a way to visit colleges this summer without leaving your house look no further! College Corner has you covered. June 15th, 16th & 17th we will have colleges virtually on Teams. They will present about there colleges and give you all the tips and tricks for submitting your applications.

You can find links in your Outlook Calendar or click

Marvy Finger Scholarship Award Winners

Lamar has 3 students awarded the Marvy Finger full ride 2 year certification scholarship this year! Congratulations to our winners!

Lamar HS	Garcia, Willmer	Machine Technology
Lamar HS	Martinez, Mauricio	Radiography
Lamar HS	Ortiz, Andrew	Electrical Engineering Technology

You make us Lamar proud!

Scholarships for Vaccinations

- Harris County will award ten college scholarships of \$5,000.

- Scholarships will be given to college-bound students to help cover tuition, room-and-board, and books to any community college, public college or university in the state of Texas.
- Residents under the age of 18 who were previously vaccinated at any HCPH vaccination site or will get vaccinated at an HCPH site will be eligible for the scholarship raffle.
- Drawings for contest winners will be conducted weekly beginning June 10, 2021. There will be one drawing each week for ten consecutive weeks, as shown in the schedule [here](#).

<https://publichealth.harriscountytexas.gov/vaccinescholarship>

Student Parking Wait List

Our application window for the 2021-2022 school year has closed as of May 26th, 2021.

You may apply using the link below for the Student Parking Application Wait List.

<http://bit.ly/ParkingWaitlist>

- Students must be classified as a 12th or 11th grader by the registrar for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Online application must be completed.
- Applicant must have a Current Texas Driver License or Valid Texas Learners Permit to apply

- Applications received after the deadline will be placed on the waiting list regardless of grade level.

We will begin notifying applicants on the wait list on available parking spaces beginning on August 16th 2021.

Students who applied during the student application process will be notified of the next steps by June 30, 2021.

Testing Updates-

STAAR EOC Exams

STAAR EOC (End of Course) exams will be administered at Lamar HS on June 22 – 24 for all students who were absent from the April/May 2021 administration or who need to retest. Students taking the corresponding courses are expected to take and pass all STAAR EOC exams as part of their graduation requirements. The June STAAR EOC administration is an additional opportunity for students to meet this graduation requirement. STAAR EOC exams can only be taken in-person on campus. Testing will begin at 8:30 AM each day. Students arriving late will not be able to test. Students will be released to go home as they complete testing.

June 22 – STAAR EOC (English 1, Algebra 1, Biology, US History)

June 23 – STAAR EOC (Algebra 1, Biology, US History)

June 24 – STAAR EOC (English 2, Algebra 1, Biology, US History)

In order to help us to prepare for the number of students planning to take a STAAR EOC in June, please complete the registration form at <https://forms.gle/WBiVcA6RX8jSpqfbA>

Standardized Testing Results

STAAR EOC results from April/May will be available at <https://texasassessment.gov/staar/families/> beginning June 16.

AP Test results will be available at <https://apscore.collegeboard.org/scores/> in late July 2021.

PSAT/SAT results are available at <https://studentscores.collegeboard.org/home now.>

1-800-STUCO

Hey Texans! Graduation is coming up for our class of 2021, so seniors get creative and decorate your graduation cap! With that being said, please keep your decorations "PG" for our Lamar friends and family. If you have any questions or concerns please email lamarstudentcouncil@gmail.com. Have a fantastic week and work hard!

Summer 2021 - Social Emotional FACE Seminars in Partnership with DePelchin Children's Center

English workshops: Tuesdays, June 8, 15, and 22 from 11AM-Noon. Registration link: <http://bit.ly/FACEEmotions>

Spanish workshops: Thursdays, June 10, 17, and 24 from 11AM-Noon. Registration link: <http://bit.ly/FACEEmotions>

The actual MS Teams meeting link for each series will be shared with parents and schools a week before the beginning of the sessions. In addition, it is important to know that parents may participate in all three seminars/workshops, in two, or in one. It is not required to be part of all three workshops. We will send to parents weekly reminders.

Seminar/Workshop Name
Week 1 - Seminar 1: The Power of Positive Parenting Introduces parents/staff to the five key principles of positive parenting that form the basis of Triple P. These principles are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensuring a safe engaging environment.• Creating a positive learning environment.• Using assertive discipline.• Having reasonable expectations.• Looking after yourself as a parent/caregiver.
Week 2 - Seminar 2: Raising Confident, Competent children In this seminar, parents/staff are introduced to six core building blocks for children to become confident and successful at school and beyond. These competencies are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Showing respect to others.• Being considerate.• Having good communication and social skills.• Having healthy self-esteem.• Being a good problem solver.• Becoming independent
Week 3 - Seminar 3: Raising Resilient Children Parents/Staff are introduced to six core building blocks for children to manage their feelings and become resilient in dealing with life stress. These competencies are:

- Recognizing and accepting feelings.
- Expressing feelings appropriately.
- Building a positive outlook.
- Developing coping skills.
- Dealing with negative feelings.
- Dealing with stressful life events.

Houston Public Library Summer Reading Program and Activities

The programs starts **June 1, 2021 - August 15, 2021** and the theme this year is **Tails and Tales**. Can you please share the attachments with your parents and students? Due to everything being virtual this year, all kids/teen must register for the virtual programs.

Also, I hope all of your students know about their **Learning Link Card** and it's benefits. The Learning Link is a student's educational passport to all the resources the Houston Public Library has to offer inside the classroom, at home and at any HPL location including:

- Books! Tons of books: eBooks, audio books, classic literature, animated books, comic books and more
- Online homework help with over 150 electronic resources in all subjects
- Online tutoring with live tutors and tutorials
- Music and video streaming
- Wifi and computer access at all HPL locations and much more

Please visit our Fun Page and check out all the fun activities in detail at <https://houstonlibrary.org/fun>



Interested in having a Big Brother/Big Sister?

The purpose of the BBBS program is for each enrolled child to achieve higher aspirations, greater confidence, better relationships, avoidance of risky behaviors and educational success. National research has shown that being in a positive relationship with a volunteer mentor (we refer to them as “Bigs”) has a direct and measurable benefit in a child’s life (we refer to the children in our program as “Littles”).

Littles in our program:

- Are more confident
- Are more likely to stay away from drugs and alcohol
- Do better in school
- Get along better with family and friends
- Feel better about themselves

To be involved, Littles should:

- Be capable of benefitting from a relationship with a Big
- Attend school regularly
- Want a Big and understand the role of a Big
- Plan on attending the participating school for at least one full year
- Have a parent/guardian willing to be a partner with us by maintaining contact and helping keep us informed of changes within the family/match
- Have access to internet and Zoom for virtual meetings

If you are interested in being getting a BBBS mentor, please email Ms. Pruitt @ cpruitt1@houstonisd.org

Naviance Information

Seniors please take the time to change your Naviance information so you can still access Naviance for transcripts after graduation. Your HISD email will no longer work

after the summer so if you need transcripts you will only have access if you take the steps on the PDF attached.

LHS Band

The Lamar Band is looking for students with acrobatic skills to participate in the marching band show this fall. Their carnival-themed show could incorporate tumblers, contortionists, stilt-walkers, jugglers and other feats of skill. If you have a skill like this that the band could highlight, please contact [Mr. Seifert](#).

Appointments

Please try to schedule all appointments for days when students are virtual to help us limit the number of people on campus during the day. This is an important part of our Communicable Diseases Plan and is important in maintaining in-person as an option for students.

In the event of a true emergency, please call in advance to let the Welcome Center know you are coming to campus. **Please remember that we cannot check out students during the lunch period 11:45-12:45 p.m., or during the last 30 minutes of the school day (3:40-4:10 p.m.)**

Need Help with Something Else?

If your Advocacy Teacher is ...	Your Academic Dean is ... Your Assistant Principal is... Your Neighborhood Clerk is...
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An Inspirational Moment

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated."



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