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Weekly Newsletter

FEBRUARY 5-9, 2024

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Peek at the Week

HISD Counseling Week Celebration

Monday, Feb 5: STAAR English I Field Testing

Monday, Feb 5: 3:30-4:30: Debate Practice (206), Robotics Practice (133), Dance Practice (Cafeteria)

Monday, Feb 5, 345-500: BHM Rehearsal (Cafeteria)

Monday, Feb 5, 400-445: Volleyball Interest Meeting (Go Center)

Tuesday, Feb 6: STAAR English I Field Testing

Tuesday, Feb 6, 345-515: Cheer Practice, Dance Practice, Girls Soccer Practice (Baldwin Park)

Tuesday, Feb 6, 330-430: Student Ambassador Meeting (Go Center)

Wednesday, Feb 7, 3:30-4:30: Debate (113), Interact (Go Center), Robotics (119A)

Wednesday, Feb 7, 345-500: BHM Rehearsal (Cafeteria)

Wednesday, Feb 7, 430-700: HAIS Soccer vs South Early (Mason 5)

Thursday, Feb 8, 345-515: Cheer Practice (Gym)

Thursday, Feb 8, 3:30-4:30: Dance Practice (Cafeteria)

Thursday, Feb 8, 345-515: Boys Soccer Practice (Baldwin Park)

Thursday, Feb 8, 4:30-6:00: Boys and Girls BB Practice (BCM Ryan)

Thursday, Feb 8, 6:00-7:00: PTO Meeting (Join link sent via SchoolMessenger)

Friday, Feb 9: Underclassman Picture Day

Saturday, Feb 10: Girls BB Game



There are **no after school** activities on Fridays



CELEBRATING

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

We wish everyone a happy and
uplifting Black History Month!

✦ FEBRUARY 5-9, 2024 ✦

NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK

**MON
05**

**INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO
YOUR COUNSELOR AND GET A
FREE FIDGET
STOP BY ROOM 110 AND SAY HI!**

**FEELING STRESSED? HAVE SOME
SOUR CANDY DURING LUNCH
DID YOU KNOW SOUR CANDY CAN
ALLEVIATE STRESS**

**TUES
06**

**WED
07**

**2ND ANNUAL
"YOUR COUNSELOR THINKS
YOU ROCK" EVENT
TAKE A BREAK AND PAINT A PET ROCK
OUTSIDE DURING LUNCH**

**CALMING AROMATHERAPY
PLAYDOUGH
TO REDUCE STRESS & ANXIETY**

**THURS
08**

**FRI
09**

**WEAR GREEN TO
SUPPORT MENTAL
HEALTH**

#SCHOOL COUNSELING MATTERS

Upcoming Events

Feb 15: Senior Cap/Gown Picture Day

Feb 16: Lunar New Year Celebration

Feb 17: USTEM Robotics Under Cooked Tournament

Feb 22: Black History Month Campus Waiver Day

Feb 23: Go Texan Day

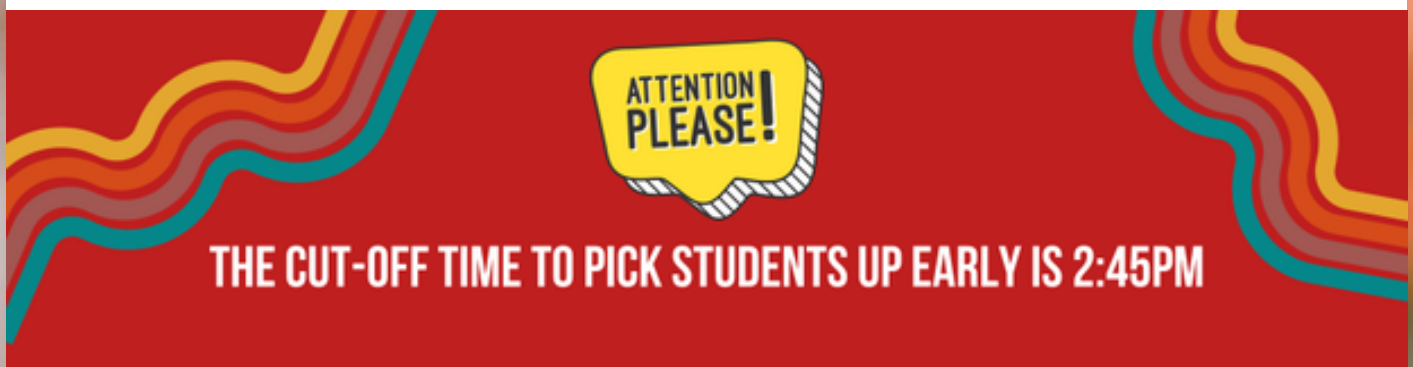
Feb 24: USTEM Robotics ROBOFEST

Mar 1: Black History Month Performance





Announcements



▷ **Student Drop Off & Pick Up:** Please utilize the left-side of Stuart as a drop off/pick up lane between the hours of (730-745; 300-345). The right side is reserved for our HISD busses. Student cannot be picked up early past 245; they must remain in class until dismissal at 330pm.

▷ **Campus Closes:** Campus closes at 4:30 Monday through Thursday and 4:00pm on Friday. Students may wait at the Spark Park or at HCC - Central after campus closes.

▷ **Reminder:** There is no off campus lunch and students should remain on campus all day on Fridays.

▷ **Fri-Yay Treat Donations Needed:** Help show support of HAIS faculty and staff with our Fri-YAY Treat program. Sign up [here](#) to show your appreciation.

↳ **Transportation Concerns/Requests:** If you have transportation needs (new request, change of address, stop change request due to concerns) click here to [complete our campus transportation tracking form*](#). *Note that there is a minimum 2-week district processing time. Please be sure to arrange for alternative transportation until you received your transportation update from the district and/or me.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS?

Review the [Homework and Assignment Tracker](#) to check in with your students' academic progress, see their weekly learning objective, and note any important class announcements. Navigate through the tabs at the bottom of the page to view different subject areas. If you have questions about a particular assignment, please contact the teacher.

Student Services

February Counseling Newsletter.pdf

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Please scan for assistance with the campus counselor or campus Wraparound Specialist.

Reasons to Submit a SAF

	Yes	No
 My mom lost her job	✓	
 Life is wonderful!		✗
 I broke up with my partner	✓	
 Classes are tough and I am struggling with keeping my grades up.	✓	
 I am fine!		✗
 I don't have the resources to feel successful in school	✓	
 I don't know		✗
 I feel sad all the time	✓	
 I have concerns about issues going on with my family	✓	
 My best friend told me that his dad passed away	✓	



HCC Information

Helpful HCC Resources

Want to know how to log into your Canvas? What do you do if you have trouble accessing your HCC Email? How do you register for academic services?

Check out our HCC Resources page [here](#).

Student Travel Opportunities

Follow @HAISstudyabroad on Twitter and Instagram and check out our **updated** [website](#) for more information on upcoming deadlines. **Don't miss out on your chance to see the world!**

2024-2025 Applications are now open!

CIEE Scholarship Deadline Extension: January 30, 2024



Study abroad this summer, experience the world!



LANGUAGE ARTS STEM BUSINESS SOCIAL CHANGE

Choose from 35+ amazing global destinations and study abroad for 3 to 4 weeks.

Immerse yourself in a new language and culture or focus on your passion, whether it's theater, creative writing, wildlife conservation, engineering, social justice or entrepreneurship, and more.

Meet like-minded teens from all over the U.S. to explore and learn together in the real world.

Come home with new skills, new friends, and memories to last a lifetime.

Ask about our scholarships!
Every year, we award more than \$6 million based on academic merit and financial need.

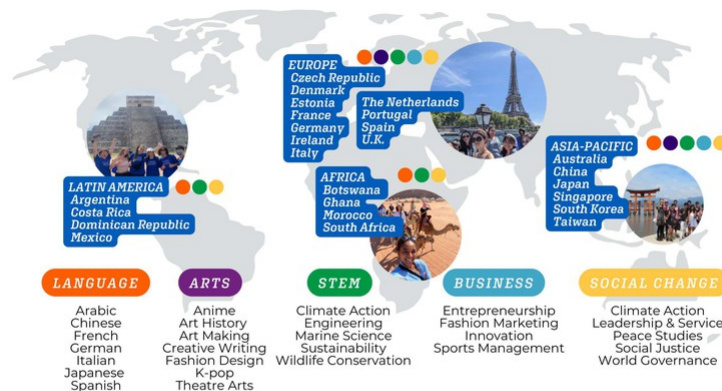
Apply by December 1 for a chance to win a free flight!

"It was one of the best experiences of my life. I learned so many new things about language, culture and myself"
- Wynne H.
CIEE Global Navigator Alum

"It was a positive and transformative experience for both of my children"
- Peter B.
Parent of CIEE Global Navigator Alum



ciee.org/summer2024 (866) 583 0332 hsabroad@ciee.org @cieeglobalnavigators



All our programs combine

- ☑ **Interactive classes** you won't want to miss, all taught by local teachers and experts.
- ☑ **Daily cultural activities** and excursions to top landmarks and attractions.
- ☑ **24/7 support** from our local and U.S.-based teams.

9 out of 10 alumni say they improved communication skills and became more independent & globally-aware.*

WHY CHOOSE CIEE?

We've been around for over 75 years and are the largest study abroad nonprofit organization in the country. Each year, we support over 40,000 students!

Good to know

- **Dates:**
 - Language programs last 4 weeks.
 - All other programs last 3 weeks.
 - Session 1 starts June 2**, 9 or 16.
 - Session 2 starts June 30** or July 7.
- **Eligibility:**
 - Complete grade 9 - graduating seniors.
- **Housing:**
 - Host families on language programs and select program locations.
 - Shared accommodations on other programs.
- **Tuition**
 - Starts at \$4,750 and includes housing, all meals, classes, activities, ground transportation abroad, and student travel insurance.
 - Tuition does not include airfare, passport or visa costs.
 - Scholarships can cover up to 100% of tuition costs.

WHY STUDY ABROAD?

- See the world and broaden your horizons.
- Meet high school students from all over the U.S. who share your interests!
- On Language & Culture programs, earn 4 college credits*** and the Global Seal of Biliteracy****.
- On select Social Change programs, earn up to 50 hours of service learning.
- Stand out on college applications.

Explore more at ciee.org/summer2024

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All dates and details subject to change. Check our website for latest information.
*CIEE post-program satisfaction survey 2017-2022 **Only Paris Language & Culture program due to 2024 Olympics ***Optional and requires payment of an additional \$150 transcription fee to our school of record ****Earning the Global Seal of Biliteracy requires a final score of 5 (Intermediate-Mid) or higher in all 4 testing categories.



What is AMIGOS?

AMIGOS offers summer immersion and service learning programs in Latin America for students aged 15-19. You'll volunteer with local organizations, practice your Spanish, live with a host family, and experience life in a new country!



Summer 2024 Program Offerings

- 2 weeks**
Group Travel Only
- 2-3 weeks**
Group Travel with Homestay
- 4-9 weeks**
Community Immersion with Extended Homestay



Earn Service Hours and College Credit

Get 12 service hours per week volunteering with organizations like the National Park Service, a women-led agricultural cooperative, or a sea turtle protection agency. Register to receive up to 3 college credits.



Live Like a Local

Practice your Spanish, live with a host family, and become part of the community! Explore areas most tourists don't get to see.



Choose the Project for You

Whether you're looking for a six-week homestay or a two-week group trip, we have a variety of two, three, four, and six-week projects to fit your schedule and interests.



Attend a virtual information session or chat with a program counselor!

AFS Study Abroad Scholarships Still Available for Travel!

AFS is Recruiting our Class of 2024-2025

Exciting news from AFS-USA's Study Abroad programs! Thanks to a new scholarship process, AFS-USA is able to meet the demonstrated financial need of all of our accepted applicants! We're actively seeking curious, adaptable, and open-minded students to join AFS-USA's class of 2024-25, regardless of their ability to afford a Study Abroad program. Our new Global Citizenship Scholarship applies to our Summer (2-8 week), Semester, and Academic Year experiences and these programs typically fill by April. Now's the time to encourage every student...especially those with financial need to [start their applications today](#).

Calling all Young Women Interested in STEM!!

The **AFS Global STEM Accelerators** is an extraordinary, full-scholarship program for **young women** who are active global citizens and passionate about solving some of today's biggest global challenges. The 2024 Accelerators program consists of virtual, interactive workshops for girls around the world between the ages of 15 and 17.5, with a focus on critical STEM skills, global competence education, and social impact – empowering them to become changemakers in their communities. Applications for the 12-week, all-virtual Accelerators exchange program will open on **February 1, 2024 and close on March 15, 2024**. Programming will take place between May and August, and will connect participants from all around the world. [Share the website](#) with your students so they can learn more and apply!

Student Intern Opportunity

February is a great time to start looking for summer jobs and programs to join. If you are looking for a seasonal summer position, consider working for the City of Houston in their community center programs! Pay is \$13.66/hour. Apply at the link below:

[STUDENT INTERN \(Seasonal\)](#) | [Job Details tab](#) | [Career Pages \(governmentjobs.com\)](#)

Writers in the School Internship Opportunity

Writers in the Schools is seeking high school and college students to assist with the organization and facilitation of our annual summer Creative Writing Camps in June and July 2024.

Each summer, Writers in the Schools and the School Literacy and Culture Project at Rice University sponsor Creative Writing Camp (CWC). More than 1,300 children in grades K-12 participate in CWC where they write stories, poetry, essays, and plays in a fun and supportive environment.

Working alongside professional writers and poets, the student interns will have the opportunity to work in a variety of areas and gain experience in creative writing instruction, early childhood education, nonprofit administration, and arts education.

To apply, please submit an application [HERE](#). For more information, email Kat Bacani at kbacani@witshouston.org



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INTERNSHIP INCLUDES:	BENEFITS INCLUDE:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Attend full camp orientation (date TBD)Attend campus-specific orientation the Saturday before the week of campArrive at camp 30 minutes before camp begins and remain 15 minutes after camp endsHelp students during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-upAssist younger children with dictation and art projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interns will gain work, classroom, and nonprofit organization administration experienceInternship will serve as a networking opportunity for interns to meet colleagues in creative writing, education, literary arts, and nonprofit fieldsInterns will build their resumesUpon successful completion of an internship with CWC, WITS will serve as a reference and will provide letters of recommendation

Apply To Intern Today!

For more info, email Kat Bacani
kbacani@witshouston.org
or scan the QR code to apply!



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CELEBRATING ALL THINGS HAIS

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SHOUT OUT GOES TO...

HCC Dual-Credit Team: For conducting grade level dual-credit orientations to optimize student success.

- Ms. Alderete

Ms. Lopez and Ms. Shepard: For overseeing another successful 11th grade capstone season.

- Ms. Alderete

Have you caught a colleague, faculty/staff member, or student doing something above and beyond? Let's recognize it.

[Submit your Shout Out for next week's newsletter.](#)

GET INVOLVED!

**BLACK HISTORY
MONTH
2024 PROGRAM**

WE INVITE YOU !

Do you want to be apart of
something big ?
Come join in on the fun at the
Black History Month Program
Scan below to join!

SCAN HERE



INNERVIEW -HOW TO

Families and Students can still register to volunteer with us!

Track Your Volunteer Hours

Did you know you can earn graduation regalia by completing 200 hours during your time at HAIS? Use our tracking system on Innerview. If you need assistance on how to get started, see below or Ms. Alderete.

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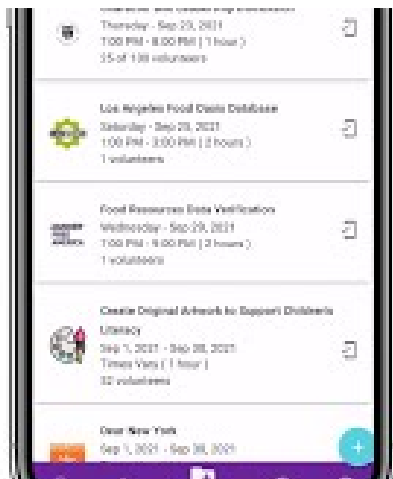
Finding Volunteer Opportunities

Service Opportunities




SERVICE


OPPORTUNITIES



PTO




**We need your help to make the
2022-2023 school year a success!**




Donate to the PTO!

If every HAIS family donates \$50, the PTO will be able to fund the Halloween Dance, gifts for teachers and staff, and so much more.



Volunteer your time!

We will have many opportunities throughout the year to help.



Sign Up Genius!

Watch for opportunities to donate food, supplies, and more throughout the year.

To donate and for more information:
haispto.org
haispto@gmail.com

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