



# Lamar High School

## AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

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Lamar Weekly Newsletter

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## Principal's Corner



### So, What's the Big Deal About NGs?

We are no longer able to give students time to correct NGs (No Grade) outside of the academic year in which the NG was awarded instead of a grade because of excessive absences. This is the last opportunity we can offer to clear NGs from prior years or students will be reseated in the class if it is a graduation requirement. This means students may not be able to graduate on time. That's the REALLY BIG DEAL!

All NGs from prior years must be cleared by January 1, 2023. Our Academic Deans and Assistant Principals are making many dates available to help students clear NGs from prior years. Use the information below to help your student or friend or family member create a plan.

And remember, friends don't let friends miss out on credit appeal!

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students who took Algebra 1, Biology or another high school credit class during 8<sup>th</sup> grade may have NGs to clear. Notification to parents/students has already been made. If you want to check for yourself, please refer to the final 8<sup>th</sup> grade report card.

November 12, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)

November 28-December 2, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)

December 3, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students may have NGs to clear from 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Notifications have been sent to parents/students. You may check the final 9<sup>th</sup> grade report card.

### Upcoming Events:

#### Thursday, Nov 3rd:

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-6:00PM (LHS)
- Theatre Parent Meeting 6:00PM (Grand Hall)
- Freshman Football vs Bellaire 5:00PM (LHS)
- JV Football vs Bellaire 5:00PM (LHS)
- Varsity Swim 6:00PM (LHS)

#### Friday, Nov 4th:

- **END OF CYCLE 2**
- Pep Rally 7:50AM (Gym)
- Varsity Girls Golf (Battleground)
- Debate @ Clear Brook
- Theatre 24 Hour Show 7:00PM (Black Box)
- Freshman, JV and Varsity Girls Basketball @ Humble

#### Saturday, Nov 5th:

- SAT Boot Camp- Math only 8:00-11:00AM (11D)
- Varsity Girls Basketball Houston Area Showcase 10:30AM (Delmar)
- Varsity Football vs Bellaire (Delmar)

November 1-4, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)  
November 12, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)  
November 14-18, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)  
November 28-December 2, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)  
December 3, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)  
December 5-9, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students may have NGs to clear from 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Notifications have been sent to parents/students. You may check the final 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade report card if you want to confirm on your own.

November 12, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)  
November 28-December 2, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)  
December 3, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students may have NGs to clear from 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades. Notifications have been sent to parents/students.

November 12, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)  
November 28-December 2, 4:30-6:00 pm in the Grand Hall (1 absence/day)  
December 3, 9:00-Noon and Noon-3:00 pm in the Grand Hall (4 absences)

## Highlighted Events:

- **Friday, Nov 4th: END OF CYCLE 2**
- **Tuesday, Nov 8th:** Election Day- no voting on campus
- **Tuesday, Nov 8th:** Title 1 Meeting 6:00-7:00PM (Grand Hall)
- **Wednesday, Nov 9th:** PTO Meeting 6:00-7:00PM Grand Hall

## SHOUT OUTS!

### Disco Bots



Your Lamar High School DiscoBots went undefeated in nine straight matches at Spring Creek High School this past Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, clinching another Tournament Champion trophy with a final score of 70 to 68. In their strongest showing so far, the team also ranked second place in the Texas Region for robot skills scores, submitted the best engineering notebook, and received the Excellence Award in the closing ceremonies. According the Robotics Education Commission, “This is the highest award presented in the VEX Robotics programs. The recipient of this award is a team that exemplifies overall excellence in building a high quality robotics program. This team excels in many areas and is a shining example of dedication, devotion, hard work and teamwork.” DiscoBots have already received their invitation to the US Open Championship this coming March in Iowa, and travel plans have begun.

- Varsity Swim vs  
Memorial 10:00AM (LHS)
- Theatre 24 Hour Show 7:00PM  
(Black Box)

### **Monday, Nov 7th:**

- **CYCLE 3 Begins**
- Accelerated Learning 4:30-  
6:00PM (LHS)
- Senior Photos 8:00-4:00 (LHS)
- Color Guard Auditions 4:45-  
6:45PM (LHS)
- FFA LDE Contest 7:00AM-  
5:00PM

### **Tuesday, Nov 8th:**

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-  
6:00PM (LHS)
- Election Day- no voting on  
campus
- **Title 1 Meeting 6:00-7:00PM  
(Grand Hall)**
- Color Guard Auditions 4:45-  
6:45PM (LHS)
- Freshman Girls Basketball vs  
Beaumont 4:30PM (LHS)
- JV Girls Basketball vs  
Beaumont 5:30PM (LHS)
- Girls Basketball vs Beaumont  
7:00PM (LHS)
- Varsity Boys Golf @ Lake  
Windcrest GC

### **Wednesday, Nov 9th:**

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-  
6:00PM (LHS)
- StuCo Blood Drive 8:00-4:00  
(LHS)
- Wrestling Intrasquad Duel  
5:30-7:00PM (Gym)
- **PTO Meeting 6:00-7:00PM  
Grand Hall**

### **Thursday, Nov 10th:**

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-  
6:00PM (LHS)
- JV Boys Golf @ (Battleground)
- JV Girls Basketball @ Alief
- Freshman Girls Basketball @  
Hightower

Please congratulate the winningest team in the history of Lamar High School Robotics, as they aim for another spot at the World Championship in April.

Student Volunteer Day at the Food Bank



Saturday, 10/29, Lamar students participated for 4 hours in helping create more than 3,000 meals for local Houston residents.

JV Boys Golf



Congratulations to the JV golf team for getting third place in a tournament at Huntsville. Over 20 teams.

Dead Week

December 12th-15th – No new material will be covered. Teachers will provide a thorough review of the first semester materials.

Semester Exam Schedule

1st exam: 8:30 – 10:35  
2nd exam: 10:45 – 12:50  
Lunch: 12:50 – 1:10  
Buses leave at 1:10

Friday, December 16	Period 2/Period 1
Monday, December 19	Period 6/Period 5
Tuesday, December 20	Period 3/Period 4
Wednesday, December 21	Period 7/Period 8

Title 1 Parent Meeting

November 8 and November 29 Loving Lamar and the Lamar Student Service Center" will be providing important information to parents about topics that can benefit their children for their future career and for their time at Lamar High School. Come join us for this event from 6:00-7:00PM in the Grand Hall.

- Varsity Girls Basketball @ Conroe
- DiscoBots Spin Up VRC Skills 4:30-7:00PM (Grand Hall)


Friday, Nov 11th:

- Varsity Boys Basketball vs Northside 7:30PM (LHS)
- JV Boys Basketball vs Northside 4:30PM (LHS)
- Freshman Boys Basketball vs Northside 6:30PM (LHS)
- JV Girls Basketball @ Alief
- Freshman Girls Basketball @ Hightower
- Varsity Girls Basketball @ Conroe
- Band and JROTC @ Veteran's Day Parade
- Thespian Night 5:00-9:0PM (Black Box)
- Varsity Football Playoffs (Delmar)
- Choir Field Trip @ Mayde Creek 4:00-9:00PM

Saturday, Nov 12th:

- SAT Boot Camp - English only 8:00-11:00AM (11D)
- Credit Appeal 9:00-12:00 (LHS)
- Credit Appeal 12:00-3:00 (LHS)
- JV Girls Basketball @ Alief
- Freshman Girls Basketball @ Hightower
- Varsity Girls Basketball @ Conroe
- JV and Varsity Swim Round Up Relays 10:00AM (LHS)
- Robotics Tournament 8:00-5:00 (Mont Belvieu)
- Varsity Boys Basketball vs Sharpstown 1:30PM (LHS)
- JV Boys Basketball vs Sharpstown 10:30AM (LHS)
- Freshman Boys Basketball vs Sharpstown 12:00PM (LHS)
- Seniors Field Trip to Texas Southern University 6:30AM (TSU)

# Writing Lab



## High School Essay Contest for Sophomores & Juniors

with a 3.0 GPA or Top 10% of your class



Info session with Rice reps during lunch hour on Tuesday, Nov. 1, in Writing Lab (N212)

### Submissions

Write a 500-750 word essay that addresses the prompt & Email essay to Dr. Lowe at [Annie.Lowe@HoustonISD.org](mailto:Annie.Lowe@HoustonISD.org) by November 9th!

### Prizes!

ALL entrants attend a full-day workshop covering general and college essay writing, an admissions talk, and a tour of Rice campus.  
Top ten essay writers attend a summer intensive Princeton Review SAT prep course.  
Charles Ward and Lee M. Riley Awards for top three:  
1st Place = \$1000  
2nd Place = \$750  
3rd Place = \$500



[cercl.rice.edu/high-school-essay-contest](http://cercl.rice.edu/high-school-essay-contest)[tinyurl.com/LamarWritingLab](http://tinyurl.com/LamarWritingLab)

### Prompt

Young people are leading movements all over the world on issues such as climate change, gun violence, and economic empowerment. Tell us about a local movement, what they are doing, why it is necessary and how you and other youth can support it. Or, tell us about a movement that your community needs, what work your movement would do and how you would convince other youth to join you.

The Writing Lab is helping promote Rice's Center for engaged Research and Collaborative Learning (CERCL) High School Essay Contest this year. The contest is open to all HISD 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders who have a 3.0 GPA or are in the top 10% of their class. To enter, students write a 500-750 word essay responding to a prompt about youth involvement in social movements here in Houston and email it to Dr. Lowe ([annie.lowe@houstonisd.org](mailto:annie.lowe@houstonisd.org)) by November 9<sup>th</sup>. **ALL students who submit will be invited to a college essay and admissions workshop at Rice** over the summer and SAT-prep courses and cash prizes go to top essays. Visit [cercl.rice.edu/high-school-essay-contest](http://cercl.rice.edu/high-school-essay-contest) for the details.

## SAT Boot Camp

Lamar will host SAT Boot Camp from 8:00-11:00AM on:

November 5th -Math only

November 12th -English only

Students must bring their laptops to 11D.

## Mandatory IB Science Project for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade IB Science Students

All 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders who are taking IB Biology, IB Chemistry, IB Physics, IB Computer Science, and IB Sports are required to participate in the Group 4 Science project. **This is an IB requirement.**

This project will take place on **Nov. 30 and Dec. 1** in the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade neighborhoods throughout both school days. The students will participate during both days. Please make arrangements to ensure your child attends both days of the project. Students who have off campus are expected to attend both full days to ensure they complete this exciting and meaningful project. Get in touch with Dr. Acord if you have questions. [suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org](mailto:suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org)

## Student Led Conferences

It is time to start scheduling your Student Led Conference. Electronic portfolios must be completed before scheduling your conference. Students will attend in person, while parents will attend virtually via Microsoft Teams. Students will be emailed links to book or parents can book below. Only one person needs to schedule.

- Dabate @ Katy Taylor

### Monday, Nov 14th:

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-6:00PM (LHS)
- JV Girls Golf @ Pearland GC

### Tuesday, Nov 15th:

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-6:00PM (LHS)
- Senior Panoramic Picture 9:00AM (LHS)
- Freshman Girls Basketball @ CyLakes 4:00
- JV Girls Basketball @ CyLakes 5:30
- Varsity Girls Basketball @ CyLakes 7:00
- Band - All City Auditions 5:00-9:30PM (Heights)
- Varsity Boys Basketball @ Clear Lake 7:00PM
- JV Boys Basketball @ Clear Lake 5:30PM
- Boys Basketball @ Clear Lake 4:00PM
- Varsity Boys Golf @ Bayou GC

### Wednesday, Nov 16th:

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-6:00PM (LHS)
- Senior Panoramic Picture Distribution 11:45-12:45 (Transit Center)
- Big Brother Big Sister 11:00-1:00 (away)
- Piano Show 6:00PM (Performance Hall)
- Piano Show 7:30PM (Performance Hall)

### Thursday, Nov 17th:

- Accelerated Learning 4:30-6:00PM (LHS)
- Senior Panoramic Picture Distribution 11:45-12:45 (Transit Center)
- Underclassmen Make Up Photo Day 8:30-4:00 (Athletic Lobby)



Information sessions will be happening about the two programs students will participate in as a junior and senior. Sessions for students will be at lunch from 12:15-12:45 for the IB Career Related Program on November 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> and the IB Diploma Program on November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. A parent Information session on both programs will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the Grand Hall.

10A & 10B [Mrs. Kamla's Booking Page](#)

10C & 10D [Ms. Ballard's Booking Page](#)

## StuCo

Howdy Texans,

As we're getting closer towards the winter season, lets still make sure we're staying in dress code. If you need a jacket, you can go to the school store on the second floor or at Academic Outfitters to pick one up.

STUCO is getting ready for our blood drive coming up on **Wednesday November 9th** so make sure to come out and donate blood. You may donate if you are 17 with a parent signed permission slip which you can pick up from your neighborhood clerk's office. If you are 18 or older, you don't need to have a permission slip. You may sign up for a slot for the blood drive now using the link below!

Sign up for the blood drive here!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DA9AB29A2FBCE9-119>

## COLLEGE CORNER

College Corner "Hot Topics":

- Upcoming Programing
- Early Action Deadlines
- FAFSA Submissions

Newsletter Link:

<https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:2bbf5460-90d9-324b-8ebc-6a3aa187f3cc>

## AP/IB Saturday Academy

- School Tours 1:00 (LHS)
- Varsity Girls Basketball @  
Stafford TBA
- Freshman Boys Basketball  
Tournament in Alief

### Friday, Nov 18th:

- Varsity Swim @ Coastal Ben  
TISCA
- Wrestling @ Cy Ridge 7:00AM-  
9:00PM
- Varsity Boys Basketball vs  
Klein Forest 7:30PM (LHS)
- Debate @ Cy Fair

# AP/IB Saturday Academy #1

Need to Practice for Your AP or IB Exam? Join us for AP/IB Saturday Academy!  
Review skills and content to prepare for AP Exams and IB Exams.

November 5, 2022  
High School for Law and Justice  
3505 Coyle St., Houston, TX 77003

**FREE  
BREAKFAST**



February 25, 2023 | March 25, 2023  
March 25, 2023 | April 15, 2023

Register online at:  
[https://bit.ly/HISD\\_SaturdayAcademy1](https://bit.ly/HISD_SaturdayAcademy1)

Sessions		
Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
9:00am – 9:55am	10:00am – 10:55am	11:00am – 11:55am
AP Courses		IB Courses
<b>Arts:</b> AP 2-D, 3-D, and Drawing  <b>English:</b> AP English Language, AP English Literature  <b>History and Social Sciences:</b> AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, AP Macroeconomics, AP United States Government and Politics, AP United States History, AP World History: Modern  <b>Math:</b> AP Calculus AB, AP Statistics  <b>Science:</b> AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics 1  <b>World Languages:</b> AP Spanish Language		<b>Arts:</b> IB Fine Arts  <b>English:</b> IB Language and Literature and IB Literature  <b>Individuals and Societies:</b> IB History of the Americas*  <b>Math:</b> IB Math AA, IB Math AI  <b>Science:</b> IB Biology IB Chemistry  <b>Language Acquisition:</b> IB Spanish
Sessions for All Students Official SAT Practice at Khan Academy College Application and Financial Aid Completion Lab ***** Special AP/IB Teacher Only Session: Teacher Collaboration *****		

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## Yearbook Information

I am including a lot of info below pertaining to the Yearbook. Reach out if you have any questions: [trent.barnes@houstonisd.org](mailto:trent.barnes@houstonisd.org)

Senior Pictures	<p>Your student should have already taken their senior picture or signed up for a timeslot. Monday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> is the last on-campus day to do so. December 5<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for all seniors to have their picture taken and included in the yearbook.</p> <p>Have them go on <a href="http://www.lifetouch.com">www.lifetouch.com</a>, enter in their Access Code, and choose which pose they'd like in the Yearbook. You can also order any prints from that site.</p>
9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pictures	<p>We will be having a Retake day on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. If your student missed the picture day, they can come take their picture on this day. You should receive a proof in the mail 2-3 weeks after they take their picture.</p>
Ordering a Yearbook	<p>You can do so at:</p> <p><a href="http://www.yearbookordercenter.com">www.yearbookordercenter.com</a></p> <p>Our school code is 25147.</p> <p>October – December price is \$85. January – April price is \$95. May price is \$100.</p>
Personalization	<p>If you would like to have their name engraved on the cover, we are offering Name Stamps and Icons (Class of 2023, Graduation Cap, Soccer Ball, etc...)</p>

You order these on the same Yearbook Order Center website.

Deadline for these are January 15<sup>th</sup> .

#### Senior Personal Ads

We are inviting parents to purchase a “Personal Ad” for your student if you'd like to. This is your opportunity to put in pictures and a personal message. There are a variety of templates you can choose from. You buy it and build the ad on that same website and then it will send it in to us to place in the book.

Deadline for these are January 15<sup>th</sup> .

#### Business Ads

If your company would like to purchase a business ad for marketing purposes, we are selling ad space in our Yearbook. These ads can also be bought on the Yearbook Order Center website. You can submit a pre-made flyer or business card template or send us the materials and we can design the ad for you.

Deadline for these are January 15<sup>th</sup> .

## FFA Fundraiser



*Lamar FFA*  
*Annual Poinsettia Sale*

**\$12**

*Specifics*

- Locally grown in Waller, TX.
- Solid Red Poinsettias
- 6in Pots covered in shiny Red foil coverings
- Sleeved in clear plastic for easy delivery



Get a head-start on your seasonal decorating!

- Use the link below to place your order on School Pay: <https://schoolpay.com/pay/for/Lamar-FFA--Poinsettia-Fundraiser-12-incl/SdWpQ8D>
- Plants will be available for pick-up during the first week in December in the Bus Transit Center on Eastside St.

**All Proceeds  
will Benefit the  
Lamar FFA  
Livestock Show  
& Auction**

## Beat Bellaire T-Shirts



\$10 T-Shirts

Bring a copy of your receipt to Athletic Office during

Lunch to pick up shirt - Tuesday 11/1/22 to Friday 11/4/22

<https://one.bidpal.net/beatbellaireshirts>



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**PTO UPCOMING EVENTS**

[11/9 PTO General Meeting](#)



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