



Lamar High School

AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

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Lamar Weekly Newsletter

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Principal's Corner

Solar Eclipse

On Monday, if the weather allows, we will provide students the opportunity to view the eclipse during an extended lunch period. All students will be provided eclipse safety glasses during 2nd period. Students who wish not to view any part of the eclipse may choose to stay inside during the lunch period. We will have a longer 2nd period and a slightly shorter 3rd period to give students the opportunity to view some portion of the eclipse. Parents should discuss the safety requirements and your own family's expectations for participation or not. You can find safety guidance here:

<https://science.nasa.gov/eclipses/safety/>

Lunch Schedule for Monday – 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Course Selection for 24-25

On Monday and Tuesday students will be entering course selections in the new district information system. This will not take the place of Student-led Conferences and will be changed as needed after the conference by the Academic Dean. We will confirm course selections are accurate with respect to pathway and graduation plan. The District is asking us to have as much information as possible entered before Wednesday.

Current 9th graders – W. Geo classes on Monday and Tuesday

Current 10th graders – Chemistry/Physics classes on Monday and Tuesday

Current 11th graders – English classes on Monday and Tuesday

Do you have or do you know a Future Texan?

If you are zoned to Lamar or have accepted a transfer to Lamar for 9th grade for the 24-25 school year, we are here to assist! HISD Middle School counselors from our zoned schools were provided with a

Upcoming Events:

Thu. Apr 4th:

- **Band Parent Meeting 5:30-8:00PM (Band Hall)**
- Robotics @ State 8:00-7:00
- JV Girls Lacrosse Match
6:00PM (Field)
- Varsity Girls Lacrosse Match
7:30PM (Field)
- Journalism @ Convention

Fri. Apr 5th:

- Tennis @ Clements
- Robotics @ State
- Varsity Softball vs Westbury
4:30 (Butler)
- Track @ District
- Journalism @ Convention

Sat. Apr 6th:

- STAAR Retester Bootcamp
8:00-12:00 (10th grade)
- AP/IB Academic Saturday
9:00-12:00 (Houston)
- **Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (12th Grade Hall)**
- Track @ District
- Robotics @ State

video to walk students through the course selection process. If you have questions, we want to be available to you.

Join us for a help session with course selection! Bring your HISD laptop.

Monday, April 8, 6:00 p.m. Grand Hall at Lamar

Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m. Grand Hall at Lamar

Highlighted Events

Thu. Apr 4th: Band Parent Meeting 5:30-8:00PM (Band Hall)

Sat. Apr 6th: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (12th Grade Hall)

Wed. Apr 10th: Holiday- No School

Thu. Apr 11th: STAAR English 1

Sat. Apr 13th: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (12th Grade Hall)

Tue. Apr 16th: STAAR- English 2 8:30AM (LHS)

Thu. Apr 18th: STAAR - US History

Fri. Apr 19th: END OF CYCLE 5

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. All STAAR exams are administered through the online testing platform and students will test using 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 SchoolPay at [this link](#) . Please note that all students are responsible for returning a laptop and charger at the end of the school year.

Practice Online STAAR EOC exams can be viewed [here](#). All STAAR EOC tests will begin at 8:30 AM. Rosters will be posted in the hallway telling students where to report for testing. The STAAR test is not timed, so students have until the end of the school day to finish their test, if needed. All students not testing will follow a regular bell schedule.

STAAR EOC Testing Dates

April 11, 2024 – STAAR EOC English 1 (9th graders and Retesters)

April 16, 2024 – STAAR EOC English 2 (10th graders and Retesters)

April 18, 2024 – STAAR EOC US History (11th grade and Retesters)

April 24, 2024 – STAAR EOC Biology (9th grade and Retesters)

May 1, 2024 – STAAR EOC Algebra 1 (9th grade and Retesters)

Advanced Placement (AP) Exams

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 should check their MyAP account for additional testing information.

- JV Softball vs Bellaire 11:30 (Westside)
- Rugby Match 10:00 (Field)
- Journalism @ Convention
- Debate @ Madison
- Varsity Baseball vs Houston 10:00AM (Delmar)

Mon. Apr. 8th:

- Track Sub Varsity @ District (Barnett)
- Course Selection Session 6:00PM (Grand Hall)

Tue. Apr 9th:

- Track Sub Varsity @ District (Barnett)
- JV Softball vs Heights A 5:00 (Field)
- IB Visual Arts Exhibit 6:00-8:00PM (away)
- Course Selection Session 6:00PM (Grand Hall)

Wed. Apr 10th:

- **Holiday- No School**
- Varsity Softball vs Houston 10:00 (Delmar)
- College Corner @ Lamar University 8:30-2:00
- IB Visual Arts Exhibit 2:00-4:00PM (away)

Thu. Apr 11th:

- **STAAR English 1**
- IB Visual Arts Exhibit 6:00-8:00PM (away)

Fri. Apr 12th:

- Varsity Softball vs Chavez 4:30PM (Barnett)
- Tennis @ Clear Creek 6:30AM
- Varsity Baseball vs Chavez 5:00PM (Cowart)
- Military Ball 6:00PM (Grand Hall)
- Track @ Area

AP Exam Dates

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|----------------------|---------------------------|
| AP US Government | Monday, May 6 @ 8:30 |
| AP Pre-Calculus | Monday, May 13 @ 12:30 PM |
| AP World History | Wednesday, May 15 @ 8:30 |
| AP Comp Science Prin | Wednesday, May 15 @ 12:30 |

Testing Calendar

A calendar of all Spring 2024 testing (STAAR EOC, AP, IB) dates can be found [here](#)

STAAR Retesters Bootcamp

Credit Appeal

9th Grade Students and Parents

Students interested in participating in the IB Diploma Program or IB Math classes in 11th and 12th grades – this message is for YOU!

- In order to take the IB Math classes in 11th and 12th grades, students must have completed Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 before 11th grade.
- Students currently in Algebra 1 as 9th graders have the opportunity to take Geometry at Lamar HS in summer school, with a grade review and approval by their Academic Dean.

- Distinguished Alumni Luncheon

Sat. Apr 13th:

- Track @ Area
- STAAR Retester Bootcamp
8:00-12:00 (10th grade)
- Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (12th Grade Hall)
- Theatre 24 Hour Play 7:00PM (Black Box)
- AP Mock Exam 10:00-1:00 (10C)
- Varsity Baseball vs Chavez
1:00PM ((Delmar)
- Sophomore Baseball @ Bellaire 10:00AM
- JV Baseball vs Heights
10:00AM (Field)

Mon. Apr 15th:

- Varsity Boys and Girls Golf @ Regionals
- Rette's Tryouts 4:15-6:15 (Gym)

Tue. Apr 16th:

- STAAR- English 2 8:30AM (LHS)
- Lacrosse Game 6:30PM (Field)
- Boys and Girls Golf @ Regionals
- Rette's Tryouts 4:15PM (Gym)

Wed. Apr 17th:

- Rette's Tryouts 4:15 (Performance Hall)
- IB Showcase 1:30-3:00 (Grand Hall)
- Sophomore Baseball vs Milby
5:00PM (Field)
- JV Baseball @ Galena Park
5:00PM
- Cheer Tryouts 5:00-7:00PM (Gym)

Thu. Apr 18th:

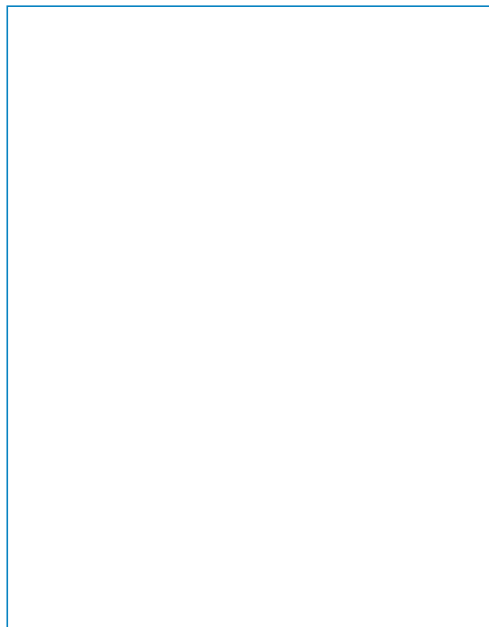
- There is a fee for the summer school class, which will be determined by the district late in the Spring semester.
- The NEW districts dates for summer school are June 17-July 19, Monday -Friday, *Monday-Friday*, so please plan to be in town for those dates! Students are usually only allowed one absence during summer school.

Questions? Contact the 9th Grade Academic Deans listed below:

9A and 9B: Ms. Lawrence dlawren1@houstonisd.org

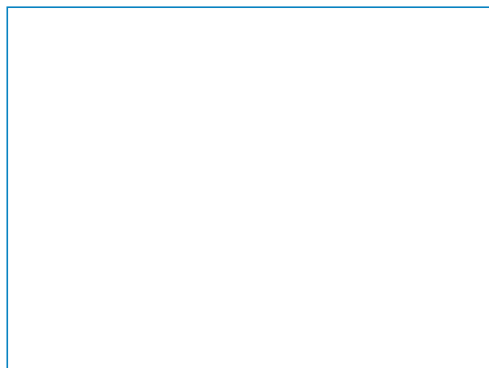
9C and 9D: Mrs. Clark-Davis shante.clarkdavis@houstonisd.org

AP World History Mock



[Register here](#)

AP Government Exam Tutorials



Text “[@lamgovrev2](#)” to 81010 to get Remind messages about the tutorial sessions!

US Government is a REQUIRED class for all Texas colleges and passing this exam could earn you college credit (saving you time and money!) so please come out and review so you can do your best!

Shout Outs:

Girls Golf

- **STAAR - US History**
- NHS Induction Ceremony
6:00-8:00PM (Performance Hall)
- Prom Distribution 11:45
(Athletic Lobby)

Fri. Apr 19th:

- **END OF CYCLE 5**
- Band @ Lanier 10:45-1:15
- JV Baseball @ Baseball USA
- Rette's Tryouts 4:15
(Classroom)
- Track @ Regionals (Turner)
- Prom Distribution 11:45
(Athletic Lobby)
- Cheer Tryouts 5:00-7:00PM
(Gym)
- Life Skills @ Zoo 9:00-1:30

Sat. Apr 20th:

- Track Regionals
- Varsity Softball vs Bellaire
12:00PM (Delmar)
- Sophomore Baseball @
Westside 10:00AM
- JV Baseball vs Waltrip
10:00AM (Field)
- Debate @ Sterling
- Prom 8:00-12:00 (Bayou City
Event Center)

Mon. Apr 22nd:

- BEGINNING OF CYCLE 6

Tue. Apr 23rd:

- Varsity Baseball vs Bellaire
5:00PM (Butler)

Wed. Apr 24th:

- STAAR -Biology
- Sophomore Baseball @ Milby
5:00PM
- JV Baseball vs Westside
5:00PM (Field)
- Big Brother Big Sister 11:00-
1:00 (away)



The Lamar girls' golf team won the district golf tournament today, placing 1st and 2nd place as a team and qualifying for regionals April 15-16 at Eagle Point! Yana Zabarov finished 1st overall, Avantika Ingole finished 2nd, Francesca Wood finished 3rd, and Delphine Wood finished 4th individually.

Robotics- DiscoBots



Congratulations to the Robotics- DiscoBots!

The Discobots won Engineering Inspiration award and advance to State Championship and Junior Ellery McDaniel advanced to State as Dean's List semi-finalist!

IB College Fair



46 Junior IB Diploma Programme students attended the Texas IB College Fair on Tuesday. We learned how the IB impacts the college admissions process.

Dance Team

- STEM Research Club @ NASA 7:30-2:00

Thu. Apr 25th:

- Ag Show (Front Lawn)
- IB Exams Begin 8:30AM (LHS)
- Voter Registration 11:45AM (12h Grade Hall)

Fri. Apr 26th:

- REPORT CARD DAY
- Ag Show (Front Lawn)
- Varsity Baseball vs Bellaire 5:00PM (Delmar)
- Visual Arts @ State (San Marcos)
- Life Skills @ Aquarium 9:00-1:30

Congratulations Lamar Dance Team!

LDT National Wins:

2024 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS X3 && 3rd YEAR IN A ROW NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

OFFICERS

2024 Grand National Winner Circle Dance Officers: **Awarded to the top-scoring officer lines**

2nd place Lyrical

2nd place Jazz

1st place Contemporary - **National Champions**

1st place Hip Hop - **National Champions**

TEAM

2nd place Lyrical

1st place Contemporary - National Champions

2nd place Hip-hop

2nd place Open

Basketball All District Team

Join us in celebrating our players who made our All District Teams! Very proud of their contributions this year and look forward to seeing them in the future! Congratulations to **Kye Smith, Julien Mugabo, Joseph O'Garro, Parker Dewitt, Ethan Ervin, Andre Brantley and Daniel Taylor**

Visual Art

Congratulations to our visual art students who placed at the **2024 Regional Scholastic Art & Writing Competition!!!**

This is a very competitive competition and our Gold Key recipient moves on to Nationals.

Gold Key:

Ealeynah Epps - mixed media

Silver Key:

Kaili Vogt - painting

Alika Frankovska - drawing & illustration

Olivia Jimenea - drawing & illustration

Bronte Tovilla - painting

Zoe Villalobos - painting

Honorable mention:

Fatima Romero - mixed media

Mischa Remishevsky - sculpture

Emily Bass Werner Maldonado - mixed media

We are always proud of our students' accomplishments and their risk taking!

IB Fees are Past Due

IB Fees are past due. All students who are currently taking an IB course (SL or HL) have been registered for testing. Current seniors must pay the fee to complete senior check out.

The actual cost of registering students for courses is \$119 per subject. HISD and Lamar HS take on the majority of costs associated with the registration and administration of exams. Students are asked to cover part of the fee. Whether you are taking one exam or are testing in five subjects, we ask that each student pay \$90 for the school year. Students who complete the Socio Economic form and qualify for additional benefits are asked to pay a reduced fee of \$30 for the school year.

Make payments through School Pay at:

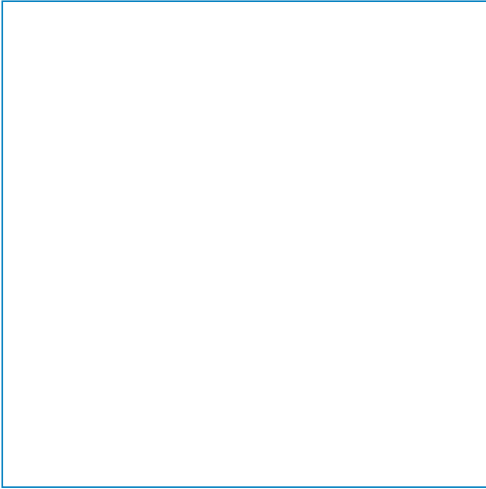
<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/IB-Registration-Fees/MdWo>

To avoid convenience fees, payments may be made in the business office by cash, money order or cashier's check. IB Fees are non-refundable.

AP/IB Academic Saturday

Holiday

IB Exam Assistance



Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you for your support!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848ADAB2EAAFD0-47355864-2024>

Please contact Dr. Acord, our IB DP coordinator, if you have

questions: suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org

Senior IB Art Exhibition

Please join us for the Senior IB Visual Arts Exhibition. We will have 7 students per day displaying their work at Hardy and Nance Studios – main gallery. Each group will have a 1 night exhibition: setting up & installing the show, exhibiting the work to the public, and deinstalling the show/clean-up will all happen

on the same day. Each student will be curating 8 – 11 of their own works of art, in their own separate spaces at Hardy & Nance Studios.

Band



Get ready to celebrate an incredible year at The Lamar Band Banquet on Friday, April 19, 2024! Directors, Coaches, Band, and Guard members attend for FREE! For everyone else, tickets are \$15 per person via our prepay link. Secure your spot early and save - it's \$20 at the door. tinyurl.com/lhsbandbanquet2024 Don't miss out on this night of fun and recognition! Purchase your tickets at tinyurl.com/lhsbandbanquet2024. See you there!

Ag Show



COLLEGE CORNER



College Corner

<https://bit.ly/hisarcollegecorner>

Newsletter

FAFSA Submission

FAFSA submission is a graduation requirement.

If you are experiencing any issues with the application,
please contact the college corner.

If you are choosing to opt out of submitting the FAFSA.
Please submit an OPT OUT form to the college corner. The
opt-out form will satisfy the graduation requirement.
You can access the FAFSA form at studentaid.gov

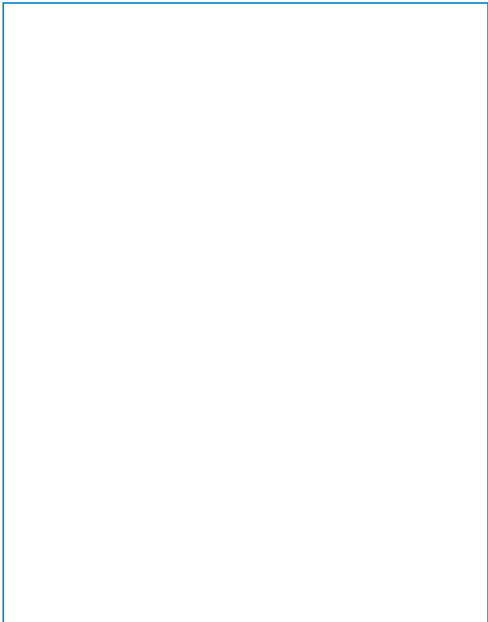
Scholarship Opportunities

<https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/181035>

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2024-2025 District Calendar

Writing Lab



Peer Writing Consultant applications for the 2024-2025 school year are now open to current 10th- and 11th-grade students!
Access our app form at tinyurl.com/PWCapp2024

As a peer writing consultant, you will...

- Receive training in writing process and strategies
- Become proficient communication consultants
- Improve your own writing
- Collaborate to lead and expand Writing Lab programming
- Participate in our partnership with [Rice University's writing center](#)
- Add an impressive line to your academic resume
- Gain experience for college writing center jobs

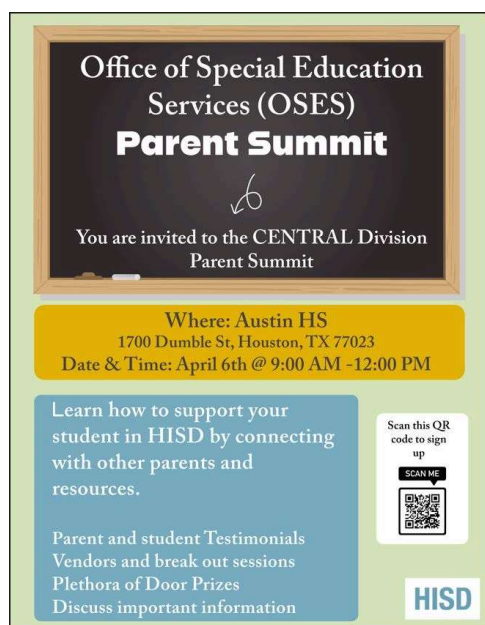
Athletic Physicals



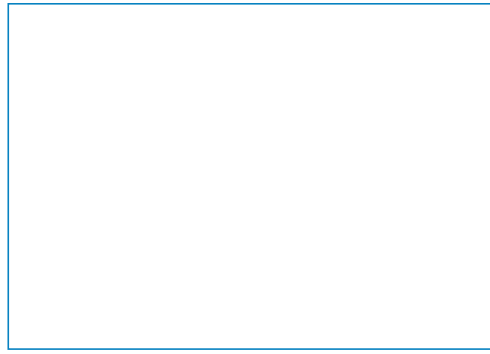
Please create an RMA account, add your documentation for your sport. <https://www.registermyathlete.com/>

Note: Physicals taken before May 15th will not be accepted.

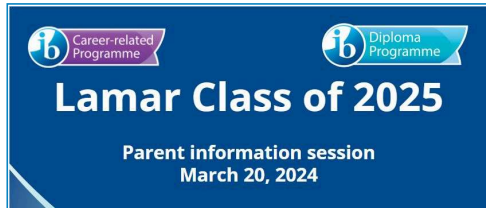
Special Education Parent Summit



Lamar Summer Sports Camp



Junior Parent Meeting



Click the link below for the Junior Parent Meeting slides.

tinyurl.com/lamar2025

Class of 2024 Senior Information

Keep up with Senior events and news here, on Instagram and Twitter.

Remind app: Seniors 2024

code: @Texans2024

VIPS

We will need parent volunteers throughout the year - please make sure and get your VIPS approval.

The VIPS process is quick and easy online. <https://www.houstonisdpsd.org/dmol/VIPS/index.html#/>

Cady - Cap and Gown Photo Orders

Parents and Seniors, Cap & Gown portraits are now available to view and purchase online through CADY! New items include tassel frames, yard signs and face fans featuring your student's Cap & Gown images. Celebrate this special achievement during graduation season! Deadline to order your items to receive them by Graduation is **Thursday, April 4th**.

Click below to order now!

cady.com/capgown24

Prom



Lamar Senior High School student may invite one guest to the dance. The following requirements must be met:

- Guests must be in grades 9 through 12.
- Lamar student host and their guest must complete the Guest Form, if guest is a non-Lamar student or Lamar underclassmen. Guest Forms are at the clerk's desk.
- **This document must be returned to Senior Clerks by Thursday, March 28, 2024.**
- Guest tickets may be purchased in the Business Office for \$100.

- Guests will be required to show a picture ID such as driver's license or school ID when entering the dance.
- Students will dress appropriately for the dance and meet all requirements outlined in the Lamar Senior High School handbook.

Graduation

The Lamar High School Class of 2024 will graduate Saturday, June 8th at 9:00AM at NRG Stadium. Students arrive at 7:30AM. Families and guests do not need a ticket to attend graduation. The ceremony should last no more than 2 hours. NRG has a clear bag policy. Parking has a non-cash policy.

Order Panoramic Pictures

If you missed Goldbeck on campus, you can still order panoramic pictures:

<https://www.goldbeckcompany.com/online-order.php>

2024 Senior Dues

Includes:

Senior Sunrise, Senior Breakfast, Senior T-shirt, Senior Rally Rag, Senior Stampede Events, Graduation Package (Diploma Cover, Diploma, transcripts, etc.), Senior Sunset, Senior Gift and Other Surprises.

OPTION 1:

Early Bird Special Aug. 1st - Dec 5th \$90

All the above plus Prom Ticket-

Early Bird Special Aug. 1st - Dec 5th -\$170

OPTION 2:

Dec. 6th- End of Year - \$140

Prom Ticket NOT included

Dec. 6th- End of Year plus Prom Ticket- \$230

School Pay Link:

Class of 2024 Senior Dues After December 5th \$140.00

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Class-of-2024-Senior-Dues-After-December/ScsFKF>

Class of 2024 Senior Dues After December 5th Plus Prom Ticket \$230.00

<https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Class-of-2024-Senior-Dues-After-December/Sc77PGc>

IMPORTANT CLASS OF 2024 DATES

August 28, 2023 Senior Sunrise

October 4, 2023 College Fair

October 21, 2023 HOCO Dance

November 16th, 2023 Herff Jones -Cap and Gown Orders

January 11, 2024 Senior Breakfast

January 11, 2024 Panoramic Photo

January 25, 2024 Herff Jones- Cap and Gown Orders

February 24, 2024 LHS Fest

April 20, 2024 Prom-BCEC
June 3, 2024 Senior Day
June 3, 2024 Senior Sunset
June 4 & 5, 2024 Senior Checkout
June 8, 2024 Graduation

Yearbook, Panoramic Photo, Cap & Gown are NOT included in Senior Dues

All Cap & Gowns are ordered through Herff Jones [mailto:https://highschool.herffjones.com/-](mailto:https://highschool.herffjones.com/)

Price increase March 1st

**** May not purchase Prom ticket until all fees and dues are paid.**

Rugby



What is RUGBY?

We need you! Everyone gets a chance with the ball.

Practice is every Tuesday and Thursday after school 4:15-6:00PM - the back field by the greenhouse.

Come out and give it a try! Contact the coach and other players at

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GIX184XcprSA2pLrDj6Ny> or text 786-925-6416 for details



QUICK LINKS

[VIPS](#)

[PTO](#)

8:30AM (LHS)

Sophomore Baseball @ Milby 5:00PM

