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## **Principal's Corner**



### **Summer School Changes**

This summer Lamar will offer credit recovery summer school for all courses required for graduation, as well as original credit summer school for Geometry and Music Media. Original credit courses will have a designated fee attached. The dates for summer school this year are SIGNIFICANTLY different than they have been in the past. If your child may need summer school, it is critical you plan to be in attendance for every day of summer school.

Summer School Dates: June 20, 2024 – July 26, 2024 Monday-Friday

## Am I on-track for graduation?

Let me share a few tips that will help you keep track of what credits a student has earned, and what credits a student may have missed earning because of grades or attendance.

- 1. Always monitor grades throughout each grading cycle. The semester average is what is used to award or deny credit. The three grading cycles are 30% each and the final exam is worth 10%. A passing grade of 70 or better will indicate credit should be issued. Each semester course is denoted as .5 credits.
- 2. Monitor attendance for each individual class throughout the semester. The State requires 90% attendance in a course to award credit. Because we are on a block schedule, that is generally earned with 3 or fewer absences. If credit is denied for a course that a student passed, the course grade will be denoted with "NG" or no grade.
- 3. Review the report card at the end of each grading cycle and each semester. If the credit column shows a zero instead of .5 for a course, the student did not earn the credit.

So how does a student make up for it if they lose credit for a course?

### Upcoming Events:

#### Thu. Jan 25th:

- Order Cap and Gown 11:45AM (12th Grade Hall)
- Varsity Girls
   Golf @
   Brenham
- FASFA Road
   Show 9:00-3:00
   (Athletic Lobby)
- Magnet Tour
   1:00PM
   (Performance
   Hall)

#### Fri. Jan 26th:

- Debate @ Alief
  Tournament
- District Diving4:00-5:30PM(Pool)
- Band @ Waltrip
   4:30-9:00PM
- JV Girls
   Basketball vs
   Houston

6:00PM (Gym)

Students are advised on how to correct a misstep by the Academic Dean. When a student earns a failing grade, the student will have to retake the course. Some courses are seated courses that are taken in-person over the course of a full year. There are some courses students may take during summer school or self-paced online, through APEX. When a student has a passing grade but loses credit because of attendance, they MAY be eligible for credit appeal hours. These are held on designated Saturdays. Students must clear up all attendance issues before the end of the school year to reinstate credit for the course. If the attendance is not corrected by credit appeal hours before the deadline, the student will be reseated in the course in the next school year.

## **Highlighted Events**

Sat. Jan 27th: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (LHS)
 Sat. Feb 3rd: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (LHS)
 Sat. Feb 10th: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (LHS)
 Sat. Feb 17th: Credit Appeal 8:00-2:00 (LHS)

## **Testing Updates**

## NAEP – February 1st

Lamar High School Seniors have been chosen to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on Thursday, February 1, 2024. NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what students know and can do in various subjects. NAEP is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S.

Department of Education. NAEP is different from our state assessments because it is a common measure of achievement across the country. The results are released as The Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents/guardians, policymakers, and the public. To learn more about NAEP, please watch the 5-minute video <a href="Introducing NAEP to Students">Introducing NAEP to Students</a>.

# **Credit Appeal**



# Possip

- FreshmanBoys Basketball@ Houston6:00PM
- JV Boys
   Basketball @
   Houston
   7:30PM
- JROTC @
   Houston
   Hot Chocolate
   Run 9:00-3:00

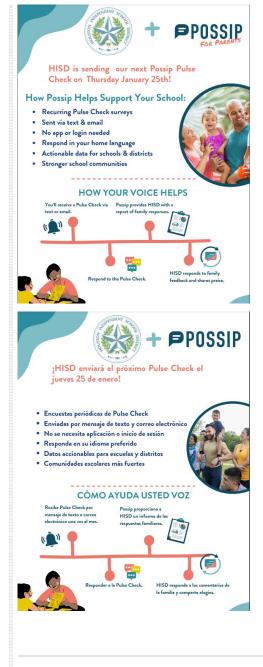
#### Sat. Jan 27th:

- Credit Appeal8:00-2:00(LHS)
- Color Guard @ Turner 7:30-
- Debate @ Alief

  Tournament
- Band @ Waltrip
   4:30-9:00PM
- Swim District
   5A 9:00-12:00
   (Pool)
- Swim District
   6A 12:00 8:30 (Pool)
- Varsity Girls
   Soccer vs
   Westside
   2:00PM (Dyer)
- Varsity Girls
   Basketball vs
   Houston 11:30
   (Butler)
- Varsity Boys
   Basketball vs
   Westbury
   1:00PM (Butler)
- Varsity Boys
   Soccer vs
   Westside 4:00
   (Delmar)

#### Mon. Jan 29th:

JV Boys Golf @
 Bay Oaks



## 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.
- · There is a fee for the summer school class, which will be determined by the district late in the Spring semester.
- The current published dates for summer school are June 20 July 26, 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 <u>dlawren1@houstonisd.org</u>

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

### Tue. Jan 30th:

- Cheer @ Butler6:15-9:00PM
- Varsity Boys
   Soccer vs
   Westbury
   6:00PM
   (Delmar)
- JV Girls Soccer
   @ Ridge point
   4:30PM
- Varsity Boys
   Basketball vs
   Houston
   6:00PM (Butler)
- Varsity Girls
   Basketball vs
   Houston
   7:30PM (Butler)
- Varsity Girls
   Soccer vs
   Westbury
   6:00PM (Dyer)
- FFA @ Fort
   Worth Rodeo
- Softball @Manvel 3:45-8:30PM

### Wed. Jan 31st:

- JV Girls
   Basketball @
   Chavez 6:00PM
- Freshman Boys
   Basketball vs
   Chavez 6:00PM
   (Gym)
- JV Boys
   Basketball vs
   Chavez 7:30PM
   (Gym)
- FFA @ Fort

  Worth Rodeo

## Thu. Feb 1st:

- Tennis @
   Strake
- Musical 6:00PM (Performance Hall)

## **Shout Outs:**

#### **Girls Golf**

Congratulations to **Kate Charlton** for getting first place and **Katie Lewis** for getting fourth Place at the Quail Valley tournament.

### Mr. Damante

Congratulations to **Mr. Damante** for his 7<sup>th</sup> book that is set to be published and released next month. Hope HEY SKA-BURBIA is a big success!



Congratulations to **Zoe Villalobos** for receiving a Gold Medal award in this year's Rodeo Art competition. Out of more than 700 HISD entries, Zoe's oil Painting: "Cowgirl & Companion" was judged to be in the top 3 works of art and will be on view in the Hayloft gallery at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in March through the entire rodeo season! This is Zoe's third qualification for the HISD rodeo art finals, and her first top 3 finish. "G" double "O" "J" "O" "B" GOOD JOB ZOE!!!

# **Baseball Tryouts**

When: Monday January 29th Time: 4:30PM (Afterschool) Where: Lamar Baseball Field

What to Bring: All Baseball Equipment (Glove, Bat, Cleats, Etc.)

- Please do not purchase new equipment before making a team
- If you need to borrow any equipment to tryout we can accommodate

- Track vs Alvin2:00-8:00PM
- Magnet Tour1:00PM (LHS)
- FFA @ Fort
   Worth Rodeo
- Varsity Boys
   Golf @ Canyon
   Spring

### Fri. Feb 2nd:

- UIL Swim 5:00-10:30PM (Pool)
- Musical 7:00PM (Performance Hall)
- Wrestling @Delmar9:00AM-8:00PM
- Tennis @
  Strake 3:007:00PM
- Softball @
   Jersey Village
   2:30-7:45
- Varsity Boys
   Golf @ Canyon
   Spring
- FFA @ Fort
   Worth Rodeo
- Varity Girls
   Soccer Houston
   4:30PM
   (Delmar)

### Sat. Feb 3rd:

- Women on the
   Way Up @ MFA
   10:00-4:00
- Varsity Baseball
   vs Seven Lakes
   11:00 (Field)
- Credit Appeal8:00-2:00 (LHS)
- Varsity Boys
   Soccer vs
   Houston
   10:00AM
   (Delmar)

## In order to tryout you MUST have the following completed BEFORE TRYOUTS:

- · Register My Athlete information
- HISD Physical uploaded to Register My Athlete
- Insurance Information uploaded to Register My Athlete
- Google Form Questionnaire Completed https://forms.gle/c33ZWAyzwwEkAWE69

Where to Create your Register My Athlete Account:

https://www.registermyathlete.com/login

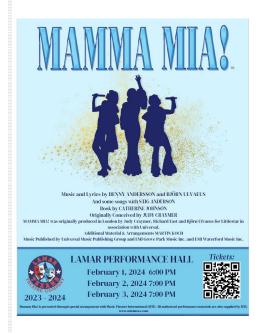
Instructions for the Register my athlete account:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/4yze82k8bd4hht3/Parent%20Training%20Instruction%20Slides%20%28English%29.pdf?dl=0

This is the form your physical needs to be on:

https://www.houstonisd.org/cms/lib2/TX01001591/Centricity/Domain/15304/PrePhysForm%20English%202020\_21.pdf

## **Theatre Musical**



Thursday's Tickets

https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Mamma-Mia--Tickets-for-Thursday-Feb-1-20/SbdlL9A

Friday's Tickets

https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Mamma-Mia--Tickets-for-Friday-Feb-2-2024/SeGaEmR

Saturday's Ticket

https://www.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Mamma-Mia--Tickets-for-Saturday-Feb-3-20/ScPV0wV

## **StuCo**

Happy Friday Texans! STUCO hopes you all had a great week. If you had a NG on your report card please make sure you take of that on an upcoming Saturday. Enjoy your weekend Texans! SEE YOU Monday!

## **JROTC**

- UIL Swim8:00AM-11:30PM (Pool)
- Musical 7:00PM (Performance
   Hall)
- Band Solo & Ensemble@Heights7:00AM-8:00PM
- GHAC
  Swimming
  Championship
  11:30-4:00
  (Pool)
- Debate @

  Langham Creek
- Varsity Boys
   Basketball vs
   Chavez 11:00
   (Pavilion)
- Varsity Boys
   Golf @ Canyon
   Spring

#### Mon. Feb 5th:

- Varsity Baseball@ SpringWoods 4:30PM
- Varsity Girls
   Basketball vs
   Bellaire 6;00PM
   (Pavilion)
- Varsity BoysGolf @Sweetwater
- Varsity Girls @
   Sweetwater

### Tue. Feb 6th:

Wrestling vsChavez 5:00-10:00PM

## Wed. Feb 7th:

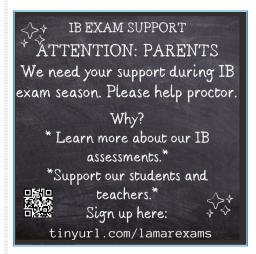
Disco Bots UILCompetition8:00-7:00



The JROTC flag folding team at a competition.

**Matthew McClendon** as team captain (in the middle) and team members **Gabriel Rosenbach**, **Guilherme Riagusoff**, and **Fernando Escalona**.

## **IB Exam Assistance**



Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you for your support! <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848ADAB2EAAFD0-47355864-2024">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848ADAB2EAAFD0-47355864-2024</a>

Please contact Dr. Acord, our IB DP coordinator, if you have questions: <a href="mailto:suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org">suzanne.acord@houstonisd.org</a>

# **AP/IB Saturday Academy**



- Track @Dawson3:30PM
- Varsity Boys
   Soccer vs
   Chavez
   (Delmar)
- JV Girls Soccer
   @ Galena Park
   4:30PM
- NationalSigning Day9:00AM (Gym)
- Big Brother Big
   Sister 11:00
   (away)
- JV Boys Golf @
   Jersey Meadow
- Freshman Girls
   Basketball vs
   Bellaire 6:00PM
   (Gym)
- JV Girls
   Basketball vs
   Bellaire 7:30PM
   (Gym)
- Freshman Boys
   Basketball @
   Bellaire 6:00PM
- JV Boys
   Basketball @
   Bellaire 7:30PM
- FFA Meeting6;00PM (9B)
- Varsity Girls
   Soccer vs
   Chavez 7:45PM
   (Dver)
- JV Girls Golf @
   Gleannloch)

## **COLLEGE CORNER**

Upcoming College and Career Planning Lunch and Learns for 9th and 10th-grade parents via Zoom starting February 7th 21<sup>st,</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 2024 at noon.

College and Career Planning: 9th/10th Grade

There are some steps that your ninth- and a 10th-grader can take to make sure that they are on the right track for college. Join me starting in February at noon via zoom for Lunch & Learns on how to navigate the college planning process.

If interested, click here to sign up <a href="https://forms.gle/M1RyoZacYCsUKetd6">https://forms.gle/M1RyoZacYCsUKetd6</a>







# **Writing Lab**



http://tinyurl.com/WinterVoting

# **Class of 2024 Senior Information**

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

Remind app: Seniors 2024

code: @Texans2024

We will need parent volunteers throughout the year - please make sure and get your VIPS approval. The VIPS process is quick and easy online. <a href="https://www.houstonisdpsd.org/dmol/VIPS/index.html#/">https://www.houstonisdpsd.org/dmol/VIPS/index.html#/</a>

## **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. 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 5th \$90 All the above <u>plus Prom Ticket</u>-Early Bird Special Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 5<sup>th</sup> -\$170

### **OPTION 2:**

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>- End of Year - \$140 Prom Ticket <u>NOT</u> included

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>- 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

June 3, 2024 Senior Day

June 3, 2034 Senior Sunset

June 4 & 5, 2024 Senior Checkout

June Graduation

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

All Cap & Gowns are ordered through Herff Jones <u>mailto:https://highschool.herffjones.com/-</u>
Price increase in March

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





## SAVE THE DATE FOR LHS FEST!

Saturday, February 24th at 6:30 pm. FREE event for all Lamar Seniors. GAMES RIDES, DANCING and PRIZES!!!

We will need lots of parent volunteers. Please be on the lookout for a sign-up, coming out soon.

This is a PTO sponsored event and we need sponsors to help us make this a very special event. Please consider making a donation or send the link to businesses that you think would like to be a sponsor. All sponsors will be recognized on signage at the event.

http://bit.ly/LHSFestDonations



https://lamarpto.wufoo.com/forms/q1tl1h7k17gsurn/

## **QUICK LINKS**

**VIPS** 

**PTO** 

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- Phone: 713-522-5960
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