

Friday, 8/18/23



TEXAN NEWS

Wimberley High School



Message from Principal Wilkes

It has been an amazing start to the school year. If your family is like mine, on the first day your kids were probably a little nervous, a little excited, and a little tired, but by Friday everybody is just plain exhausted. That is okay because it is a good kind of tired. It is the tiredness you feel after a job well done. Everyone from support staff, teachers, administrators, students, and parents have been working hard to prepare for a great first week of school. Thank you ALL for your efforts to start this school year strong.

This week we have been holding class meetings and talking to your students about a number of topics. One of the things I shared with students was the Satisfaction Survey Results from last year. This included student, teacher, and parent surveys. I will share these survey results with parents in next week's newsletter. We also discussed the new vaping law, HB 114, that is now in our WHS Student Code of Conduct. To summarize, the new law states that any student found to be in possession of an e-cigarette (vape) whether it contains nicotine or THC must be placed into Disciplinary Alternative Education Program. This means that the student is to be removed from campus for a period of time and attend school at our disciplinary alternative campus at Scudder. I realize that many of you have already heard about this through WISD notifications or from a coach, sponsor, or even your student. I thought I should mention this again just in case anyone missed the message. In addition to greater consequences for all types of vapes, we have increased the monitoring of bathrooms and have been asking students to clear out when they are not using the bathroom. We are also creating a student leadership/advisory committee to get student feedback on how to best influence and affect change in the usage of vapes. We will also work with our SHAC (Student Health Advisory Counsel) to seek guidance on how to address this issue at WHS. Lastly, we ask parents to have conversations with your students and check their clothes and backpack often. It has been our experience that there is no profile on the type of student who uses vapes other than their age. Please be proactive with your student before it becomes a school issue. If you find that your student is struggling with using vapes, we would be happy to partner with you as we may have resources that can help. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Have a great weekend!

Ryan Wilkes
GO TEXANS
#WHSTEXANPRIDE

Dates of Interest

August 18 - Band Expo and Carnival (see info below)
August 25 - Peanut Butter Bowl (see info below)
August 28 - Open House - 6:30 - 7:30
August 30 - 9th-11th Grade Photos (Order info below!)
Sept 4 - Labor Day School Holiday
Sept 11 - Senior Parent Night - 6:30 - 7:30
Sept 18-22 - Spirit Week
Sept 20 - College Planning Workshop 6:00-7:00
Sept 22 - Homecoming

Links to Know

[Bell Schedule](#)
[Gradebook](#)
[Sports Schedules](#)
[School Calendar](#)
[A/B Calendar](#)
[Morning Announcements](#)
[Family Portal](#)
[Buy a Yearbook](#)

TEXAN NEWS STUDENT *life*

Follow Wimberley High School on X (Twitter)

Wimberley High School is on Twitter! Follow us to receive updates and announcements about happenings at WHS. We will post photos occasionally but not use student names or tag them in pictures. You can also use this hashtag #WHSTexanPride

[@WimberleyHS](#) - Official announcements and updates from WHS

[@Wimberley_FFA](#) - Wimberley FFA

[@WHS_PTO_ABC](#) - WHS Academic Booster Club (Parent-Teacher Organization)

[@WimberleyHSUIL](#) - WHS UIL Academic Team

[@Wimberleydebate](#) - WHS Speech and Debate Team

[@whspracticums](#) - Practicums

[@lone_theatre](#) - Wimberley Lone Star Theatre

STUDENT SHOUT OUT!

Congratulations to Laney Hennessee on her verbal commitment to play volleyball at Alabama!



ATTENDANCE NUTS AND BOLTS

WHEN YOUR STUDENT IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL:

Please email the attendance office

WHSattendance@wimberleyisd.net letting WHS know your child will be absent. A written form of documentation is required when students are absent. This could be a parent, doctor's, or funeral note, whatever the situation may be.

WHEN YOUR STUDENT ARRIVES LATE TO SCHOOL:

Your student must check in at the main office if they arrive late. If a doctor sees them, please leave the note in the attendance notes box, or send them with a parent note. The student will be issued a class pass. The student's tardiness is unexcused without any documentation. We ask the student always to check in so we have a record of their arrival time and can document the reason correctly. It could avoid a marked tardy or absence from the teacher. If a student is late thirty minutes or more to class, they are marked absent.

WHEN YOUR STUDENT LEAVES EARLY FROM SCHOOL:

Please come into the office to check out your child. We do not accept call-ahead releases. The receptionist will call your student out of class, where they will be released to the main office. If you want your student to leave with someone else and they are not on the Skyward contact list, please provide their name and phone number on a permission note to leave via handwritten note before school or email at least two hours before their scheduled release to

WHSattendance@wimberleyisd.net. The person(s) picking up your student will be asked for ID before your student is released. If your student leaves campus without written parent permission and/or following proper check-out procedures, they are considered truant and subject to disciplinary action.

If your student is 18 or older, you must follow the above procedures.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

9th - 11th grade students will have their photos taken for the yearbook on August 30. They will be called down by grade level and alphabetically.

If you'd like to order your student's photo, you can order online using this link: [ORDER ONLINE](#). If you'd prefer to order by check or cash, have your student grab a paper order from the table next to the cafeteria or in front of the downstairs office.



Please note: Seniors will not have their senior photos taken until October.

LEO CLUB MEETING

LEO Club has its first meeting at 7:45 am on 8/24 in room 230. If you are or would like to be a member, please come! We will have donuts!



PEANUT BUTTER BOWL

The Peanut Butter Bowl is set up to help our local food bank. The goal is to raise as many jars of peanut butter as possible before Friday, August 25th. These jars will go directly back to our community. For convenience, you can donate \$2 at www.peanutbutterbowl.com (select Wimberley Texans). Ultimately, we would like to use the year's first football game to raise and give back to both Wimberley and Canyon Lake communities. #WEALLWIN

At the high school, donations can be dropped off at the front office, clubs, athletics, and PE classes.

Danforth, Jacobs Well, and Blue Hole collection points will be at the front office and PE classes.



BAND EXPO AND CARNIVAL

The Texan Band would like to invite you to our 6th annual Texan Marching Band community Expo and Carnival! The band will be performing a portion of the 2023 UIL marching contest show, "Little Red's Nightmare". This event is where the band students get to show off the hard work they have been putting in during those summer band hours. The performance will take place on August 18th at 6:30 at the Texan Stadium. After the performance concludes we will move to the band practice lot (next to the tennis courts) for our band carnival. Both events are open to the public. We will have food and games set up for everyone to enjoy. Each section in the band has its own booth. The booth with the most tickets at the end of the evening will receive a banana split party later in the season. See the flyer below. Please consider coming out and supporting the hardest working BAND in the valley! Thank you



UPDATE ON STAAR RESULTS AVAILABILITY

This summer a districtwide message was sent to parents about the delay in receiving your student's STAAR results this year compared to past years. I can report that now, all results are available in your student's [STAAR Portal](#).

You'll need your student's access code to enter the portal. Here is a step-by-step guide on obtaining your student's unique ID: [Click here for our step-by-step instructions](#).

It's also important to note that due to the state redesign of the STAAR assessments, the TEA has communicated that comparing your child's scores from this year's test to previous years' scores will not provide an accurate view of academic growth for your child. The format of questions on the tests, the addition of short-answer questions, and other changes were made this year.

If your student is scheduled for Texan Time tutorials for HB4545/HB1416, you will receive a letter in the mail. Tutorials will begin on September 5th.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's results, please contact us.

YEARBOOK NEWS

Order your 23-24 yearbook before prices increase in October!

[Use this link to order.](#)

Our yearbook staffers are in the process of putting together a summer spread of the yearbook! Send your summer photos to Lauren.Reeves@wimberleyisd.net so we can include them in the spread!

YEARBOOK BUSINESS ADS - ON SALE NOW!

Are you interested in advertizing your business in our school yearbook? You can place a 1/8th, 1/4th, 1/2th, or full page ad for various prices. You may choose to design your own ad or let a yearbook staffer design it for you! Please contact Lauren.Reeves@wimberleyisd.net for inquiries! We need your support to operate our student-run yearbook each year.

YEARBOOK BUSINESS ADS ARE NOW FOR SALE!

Reach potential customers and show your school support.

Wimberley High School

Showcase your business in the book that never loses its appeal. Students and their families will visit the pages of the yearbook countless times and cherish it for a lifetime. In addition, proceeds from ad sales are a fundraiser for the yearbook program at our school. We appreciate your support!

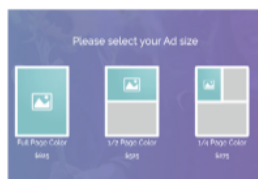
BUSINESS AD DEADLINE: ORDER BY 10/31/2023

Business Ad Pricing:

Full Page	\$320.00
1/2 Page	\$180.00
1/4 Page	\$100.00
1/8 Page	\$60.00

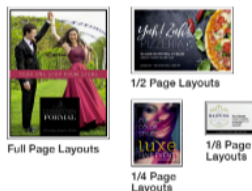
*Tax, service and delivery fee(s) will be added if applicable.

CREATE AND ORDER YOUR AD ONLINE!



Step 1

Choose your ad size & layout



Step 2

Add your photos and text or predesigned ad



Step 3

Enjoy your ad in the yearbook

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the ad revenue used for?

The revenue from advertising sales is used to support the yearbook and help keep it more affordable for everyone.

Can I upload a predesigned digital ad or scan my business card to use as my ad?

Yes, just select the appropriate layout to fit your design and upload your digital file. The layouts with a single photo box that fills the ad work best for this purpose. Please ensure that the file you upload meets the specifications listed in the guidelines.

What type of photo can I upload to create my ad?

The ad designer supports only JPEG file formats.

Can I send my ad directly to the school?

Business ads are created on the Jostens website. Please do not contact or send materials to our school. To create and purchase your ad, go to jostensadservice.com/business.

What are the guidelines for uploading images or a completed ad?

Please use the following guidelines when selecting the photos or complete ad to upload:

- Maximum dimensions of 7000x7000 pixels (49 megapixel)
- Maximum size of 25 MB
- Must be a valid JPEG image
- Must be RGB or Grayscale, not CMYK
- Must be 8 bits per channel (RGB or Gray)



(800) 358-0800

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WELLNESS CENTER

Welcome back from your Wellness Center Coordinator! We are looking forward to a great school year, [here are some helpful things to know:](#)

1. The Wellness Center is open to ALL students for a quick break during (with teacher permission) or between classes.
2. If you have an emergency, we are here to help and would love to connect you and your family to appropriate resources.
3. Save the date and keep your eye out for more information about the 9th-grade class's Texan Roots field trip to John Knox Ranch--October 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

TECHNOLOGY DUES & CHROMEBOOKS

The technology department would like to remind everyone that their technology dues of \$60 must be paid by September 1. If dues are not paid, Chromebooks will be deactivated.

You can pay online using this [LINK](#). From here, you will locate Wimberley High School and find the tab that says "Technology Dues".

Please call or stop by the library if you have any questions.

COUNSELORS Corner

ACC SCHEDULE

Wimberley HS Spring 2023 Course Schedule						
Course Name	Section	Professor	HS Room #	Days		Times
ENGL 1301	135	Beard	225	MW	1	6:50am - 8:15am
ENGL 1301	94	Beard	225	TTH	2	6:50am - 8:15am
ENGL 1301	229	Caton	230	MW	1	6:50am - 8:15am
ENGL 1301	301	Caton	230	TTH	2	6:50am - 8:15am
GOVT 2305	139	Denton	211	TTH	2	6:50am - 8:15am
HIST 1301	033	Biggers	210	MW	1	6:50am - 8:15am
HIST 1301	170	Biggers	210	TTH	2	6:50am - 8:15am
SOCI 1301	017	Christine	219	TTH	2	9:55am - 11:20am
SEMESTER DATES	Aug 21 - Dec 10					

SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUESTS

Schedule Change Requests [Google Form](#)

Reasons to request a schedule change:

- I am scheduled for a class I already took and passed.
- I have two classes in the same period.
- I am missing a period in my schedule.

NOT a reason to request a schedule change:

- I want a different teacher.
- I want a different lunch.
- I do not know anyone in this class.
- I'm not feelin' this class anymore.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- No change is guaranteed based on teacher and classroom availability.
- Students must complete this form by Friday, September 1, 2023.
- If a change can be made, it will be completed by September 8, 2023.
- If a change cannot be made, the student's counselor will notify him/her.

Please fill out the form below to make a request.

Schedule Change Requests [Google Form](#)

Students must be logged into their school account to fill it out.

Thank you for helping us streamline the process.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

NEW Scholarships Added WEEKLY!

Click this [LINK](#) to view scholarships!

SCHOLARSHIPS OF THE WEEK

[P.E.O Star Scholarship](#)

\$2500 Scholarship - Deadline August 25.

TEXAN JOB BOARD

Are you hiring students? Let us know and we'll place the opening on this job board and remove it when you hire someone!