



# TEXAN NEWS

Wimberley High School



## Message from Principal Wilkes

One of the best parts of my job as Principal is celebrating student success and hard work. Yesterday at the Academic Awards Assembly, I did just that and am thankful to be a part of it. I also appreciate parents and staff for the work you do to support our students.

Speaking of celebrating students, we are hosting Scholarship Awards Night next Thursday, May 2nd, in the Lone Star Theatre at 7:00 pm. If your student receives a local scholarship, you will be notified and invited to attend. Also, counselors will have every student complete a form of all the scholarships they have been offered and accepted, including from universities or trade schools. We will recognize these students at the ceremony, so please make sure your student completes and return the form if you wish for them to participate.

The next few days are big for our kids competing in extracurricular activities. The Tennis district tournament starts today, and UIL Academics travel to Regionals this weekend, On Friday, Softball has its first-round playoff series, and Baseball wraps up district play. On Monday, Texan Golf competes at the State tournament, and Baylee Gold travels to Austin later in the week to compete in the State track meet. Congratulations to all our students, and good luck in the coming week!

Have a great weekend!

Ryan Wilkes

GO TEXANS  
#WHSTEXANPRIDE

## Dates of Interest

April 26 - No School  
May 2 - Scholarships Awards (7:00 pm Lone Star Theatre)  
May 10 & 13 - Senior Finals

## Links to Know

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

## CLASS-WIDE GOOGLE CLASSROOM CODES

Hey WHS! Make sure you've joined your classwide Google Classroom to receive important updates.

- 9th- Class of 2027- htozsgs
- 10th- Class of 2026- tadrvvw
- 11th- Class of 2025- bzxemwh
- 12th- Senior 2024- rjzlye4

# 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

## ABC NEEDS PARENT HELP

Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week is coming up! Wimberley High School looks forward to this time period because it is a great way to show our appreciation. We are providing a luncheon for Teacher Appreciation Week. There are several options to help make this happen via a monetary donation. Go to <https://signup.com/go/dgiYwsD> and click on the green \$\$Pay button to use this website's payment feature to make a monetary donation or scroll down to the available spots and select cash/check monetary option to notify us you'll be sending funds in an envelope marked ABC luncheon to the school office. There's also a sign-up for door prizes we'll give out at the luncheon. Any questions, please email [ABCWimberley@gmail.com](mailto:ABCWimberley@gmail.com) Thank you!!



## WIMBERLEY ISD SPORTS PHYSICALS

When: May 15, 2024

Where: Wimberley High School Gym

Doors Open: 3:30 pm – 4:30

Who: All incoming 7th, 9th, & 11th graders.

(Current 6th, 8th, & 10th graders)

Cost: \$30.00\*\* – Physical

\*\*If paying by check, please make check payable to: WHS

Please include Drivers License number and a phone number

Venmo and/or CashApp will NOT be accepted

To expedite the evening, we ask that all paperwork be filled out ahead of time. This will speed up the process and prevent delays. All medical release, medical history, medical emergency, and acknowledgment of rules forms must be completed before a sports physical can be performed. We also ask that you dress appropriately by wearing a t-shirt and shorts. A paper copy can be obtained from your student/athlete's sports coach beginning April 22, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Johnny Gonzales, Athletic Trainer, at 847-3211, Ext. 3203.

## ALL-STATE BASKETBALL GIRLS

Congratulations to Charlotte Woodward and Lily Dela Rosa for making all-state basketball.

## TEXAS SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER'S SAFE SCHOOL AMBASSADORS YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Calling All Texas Youth! We're Looking for Passionate Young People to Become Top Youth Leaders in School Safety

Do you know a young person who is passionate about creating safe and healthy schools and communities? Do they have what it takes to be a leader for their school, community, and state? Then we want them to apply to the Texas School Safety Center's Safe School Ambassadors Youth Advisory Board!

We're looking for passionate, creative youth who are dedicated to creating a positive school climate, educating their peers about the importance of living a happy, healthy lifestyle, and interested in serving as the youth voice for engaging students in school safety initiatives.

### What the Ambassadors Will Do:

- Host educational events on substance use prevention, teen mental health, and violence prevention.
- Educate youth and adults on how to engage students in creating a positive school climate.
- Serve as local teen experts regarding substance use prevention, teen mental health, and violence prevention.
- Influence their peers to promote positive actions through social media.
- Meet and work with like-minded youth at the state and national levels.
- Collaborate with the Texas School Safety Center staff to identify school safety trainings and activities for youth to participate in.

Students entering 9th-12th grade for the 2024-25 school year are eligible to apply. To find out more about the application requirements, visit the [Safe School Ambassador program](#) webpage or [download the application.](#) ]

Applications are due Friday, May 31.

## NHS COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

The Wimberley High School chapter of the National Honor Society is collecting non-perishable food items for the Wimberley Crisis Bread Basket. Students are encouraged to bring the items to Mr. Biggers' classroom (210) between **Wednesday April 24 and Wednesday May 8**. All non-perishable food items are appreciated, but there are some highly requested items that are most needed currently:

- Tuna (5 oz cans)
- Chicken breast (13 oz cans)
- Peanut butter – creamy or crunchy (16 oz jars)
- Peaches (15 oz cans)
- Evaporated milk (12 oz cans)
- Corn (15 oz cans)
- Ranch style beans (15 oz cans)
- Refried beans (15 oz cans)
- Green beans (15 oz cans)
- Diced tomatoes with or without chiles (15 oz cans)
- Chicken noodle (11 oz cans)
- Chicken broth (15 oz cans)
- Cream of chicken (11 oz cans)
- Cream of mushroom (11 oz cans)
- Beef broth (15 oz cans)

## NURSE CLINIC UPDATES

When it is necessary for a student to receive medication during the school day (please see WISD Student Handbook for guidelines), the following procedures must be followed:

- All medication(s) must be supplied by the parent/guardian along with written authorization/permission to administer the medication(s) during the school day. WISD does not stock over the counter medications to administer to students.
- All medication must be in the original container & clearly labeled with the student's name, dosage & directions for administration. All controlled substances must be hand-delivered to the school nurse by the parent/guardian or their representative age 18+.
- All medication must be kept in the nurse's office and administered by the nurse or other authorized district employee, unless the student is authorized to possess his/her own medication because of asthma, life-threatening allergies, and/or diabetes.
- A US-licensed physician signature is required for: all prescription medications and for any medication prescribed differently than the manufacturer's directions.
- It is the student's responsibility to come to the nurse's office for the medication unless he/she is physically unable to do so.
- Medications cannot be sent home with a student. Unclaimed medications will be disposed of on the last day of school as required by law. The school nurse will send a general reminder to pick up medications before the end of the school year but will not contact individual parents. Please remember to pick up your student's medications before the end of the year!
- Expired medications will not be administered. Parents are expected to replace medications before they expire.

## WHS BUTTERFLY ARTISTS



Congrats to Wimberley High School students who were awarded at the Butterfly Festival last weekend!

The Grand Prize winner of the 2023 Butterfly Festival art contest was current 9th grader Bree Browning, featured on the poster and t-shirts this year.

1st place was awarded to Walker Williams & Lily C. in the fantasy category. Giovanni Garcia earned 1st place in the realistic category. 2nd place winner was Niki Oddo in the fantasy category and Walker Williams in the realistic category. 3rd place was awarded to Mia S. in the realistic category. Thank you to all of our students who participated this year!



# PROJECT GRADUATION

## SENIORS



**Graduation Night**

**May 17**

**10pm - 2am**

Transportation by bus immediately following graduation ceremony.  
**A night of EPIC FUN!**



**It's FREE**

Climbing Walls  
Laser Tag  
Multi-Sports Suite



**Ca\$h Prizes**



**Scan to Register**



Bumper Cars  
Mini-Bowling  
High Ropes Course  
Free Play Arcade

### **Need to Know**

This is a **FREE** event!  
Food and drinks are provided.  
Buses leave from Strahan after graduation and bring you back to Wimberley HS at the end of the night.  
Bring a change of clothes.  
**WHS Seniors ONLY! No outside guests.**



# Senior Dates to Remember 2024

Senior Motto "Only 47 more years until we are seniors again"  
Senior Song "Where'd all the Time Go?" Dr. Dog

**\*\*As of April 25, Subject to Change\*\***

## Scholarships

Thursday, May 2 @ 7:00 pm  
JGW/LMW Lone Star Theater

## Finals

Friday, May 10 & Monday, May 13

## Baccalaureate (student-led community event, not required)

Monday, May 13th @ 6:00 pm  
Cypress Creek Church

## Senior Walk (Mandatory Attendance Day)

Tuesday, May 14 @ 7:30  
Pick up Cap and gown outside Texan Field House  
-8:30 @Danforth JH  
-9:00 @Blue Hole Primary  
-9:30 @Jacobs Well Elementary

## Check Out

Wednesday, May 15 @ 9:00 am (first come/first serve)  
High School Gym

## Senior Trip

Thursday, May 16  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm @ Six Flags Fiesta Texas

## Graduation

Friday, May 17 @ 10:30  
Practice at Strahan Coliseum (bring cap, gown and tassel)  
-11:15 Group pics in cap and gown (Bleachers)  
-6:00 Arrive and gather in Auxiliary Gym  
-7:00 Graduation Ceremony

## **~SENIOR NEWS~**

### **GroupMe**

There are currently two GroupMe accounts set up by and for senior parents to help us share info and communicate more easily with each other. One group is for general Class of 2024 information and one is specific to Project Graduation (planning, fundraising, etc).

If you would like to be added to either group, please email [2024whsprojectgraduation@gmail.com](mailto:2024whsprojectgraduation@gmail.com) and specify which group(s) you would like to join.

### **Graduation Baby Pictures**

PARENTS, GUARDIANS, STUDENTS: We need **all seniors** to send in a baby picture that will be used during graduation as they walk the stage. Email the pictures to [gradbabypics@wimberleyisd.net](mailto:gradbabypics@wimberleyisd.net)

OR, bring the physical photos to Coach Dydalewicz or Jordan Wenk to be scanned.

Got questions? See either Coach Dydalewicz or Jordan Wenk

# COUNSELORS Corner

## TSI TESTING

The TSI Test is a college readiness exam, designed to help colleges determine if you are ready for college-level course work in the areas of reading, writing and mathematics.

If you plan to take ACC Dual Credit through WHS, you will need to take the TSI Test. This is open to anyone who wants to take it.

WHS is offering the TSI on several dates throughout this semester. This will be offered during the school day, starting at 8:15am on the following dates:

**4/30, 5/21, 6/11.**

**Students are responsible for all work missed from class and should communicate ahead of time with their teacher!!**

The TSI Test will be given at the Scudder campus and will be able to accommodate up to 25 students at each testing session. The cost of the test this year is; Full TSI Test (reading, writing, math) - \$20 and each individual part - \$7.

Sign-up by doing 2 things:

- 1 - Pay through the webstore at this [link](#).
- 2 - Fill out this [Google form](#).

**You will only be registered to take the test if you do BOTH steps above.**

## SENIORS

Once you know what you are doing after high school, please fill out this [google form!!](#) We want to add you to our map in the front office!!

## HEY STUDENTS-

Let's finish the school year strong. Seniors have about 4 weeks, 9th - 11th have about 6 weeks!!

**BE PRESENT - BE ENGAGED - WORK HARD**

We want you to earn the credits you have worked for this school year!!



\*QUESTIONS - contact Adriana Phillips  
\*QUESTIONS - contact Kris Vannoy

| SUNDAY | MONDAY                        | TUESDAY               | WEDNESDAY                            | THURSDAY                  | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY |
|--------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------|
| 28     | 29                            | 30<br>TSI @ Scudder   | MAY 1                                | 2<br>SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT    | 3  | 4        |
| 5      | 6<br>AP-8am GOVT<br>12pm CHEM | 7                     | 8<br>AP-8am ENG LIT<br>12pm COMP SCI | 9<br>AP-8am ENVSCI        | 10<br>AP-8am US HIS                              | 11       |
| 12     | 13<br>AP-8am CALC             | 14<br>AP-8am ENG LANG | 15<br>AP-8am WORLD HIST              | 16<br>AP-12pm BIO         | 17<br>AP-8am PHYS 1<br>12pm PHYS 2<br>GRADUATION | 18       |
| 19     | 20                            | 21                    | 22                                   | 23<br>LAST DAY OF CLASSES | 24   | 25       |

WHS TESTING SEASON 2024 - The Most Wonderful Time of the Year 😊

# TEXAN NEWS LIBRARY & Technology

Are you fully utilizing the

**WHS Library Webpage** 

If not, you're missing out on:

- School District Library Catalog
- Wimberley Village Library Catalog
- Research Sites:
  - GALE Resources
  - ProQuest
  - Encyclopedia Britannica
- Study Resources:
  - EBSCO LearningExpressing
  - LEARN360
  - Khan Academy + CollegeBoard

## [APRIL] LIBRARY RESEARCH TIPS

### Understanding Sources

Understanding the difference between credible and unreliable sources is crucial. Get into the habit of using peer-reviewed journals, scholarly books, reputable websites, and other academic sources for their research. The following databases will help you find credible sources for your research.

**GALE Resources:** GALE resources offer a comprehensive range of scholarly materials, including academic journals, eBooks, and reference sources, to support research across various disciplines. WHS has a login and password for this database, but you must be logged in with your student email to access it. [Visit this link for the username and password.](#)

**Britannica School:** The Britannica School database provides students with access to reliable and authoritative information through its extensive collection of articles, multimedia resources, and interactive learning tools, facilitating academic exploration and research. [Visit this link for the username and password.](#)

**Google Scholar:** The Google Scholar database provides access to a vast collection of scholarly articles, theses, books, conference papers, and court opinions, making it a valuable tool for academic research across diverse fields.

## [APRIL] WEBSITE TO KNOW

### Navigate Your College Application Journey

[The Common App](#) simplifies the college application process for students by providing a single platform to apply to multiple schools, while also offering colleges and universities a streamlined way to review and process applications.

[VIEW THE COMMON APP READY TOOLKIT HERE](#)

## DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

### Lesson (Game!) of the Week

**Interland** is a playful online game that makes learning about digital safety and citizenship interactive and fun. Students will help their fellow Internauts combat the badly behaved hackers, phishers, overshakers, and bullies by practicing the skills they need to be good digital citizens.

[Play Here](#)



# TEXAN NEWS YOUR *future*

## SCHOLARSHIPS

**NEW Scholarships Added WEEKLY!**

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

## WHS LAUNCHES COLLEGE/CAREER RESOURCE WEBSITE

Juniors and Seniors, using data collected from the 2024 senior practicum students, we built a website to help you navigate life after high school. [Click here to view!](#)

## ACC FREE TUITION IS HERE

Austin Community College District recently approved a pilot program to offer FREE college tuition and general fees to all high school graduates and GED® completers who live in the ACC service area. As a family in our district, your student(s) are eligible!

The ACC Free Tuition pilot program starts with the class of 2024. It will continue for all future classes in subsequent years for the next 5 years. The pilot program will provide free tuition and general fees for high school grads — including public, private, charter, and homeschool graduates — and GED completers who live in the ACC service area.

To learn more about the program, visit [austincc.edu/freetuition](http://austincc.edu/freetuition) or [click this link](#). Fall registration begins Friday, May 17.

# TEXAN NEWS VOLUNTEER *to help*

## **LIONS CLUB**

- In need of teen volunteers to help with Market Day on 1st Saturday of the month.
- Teen or Adult Opportunity
- Contact: [dmclean59@gmail.com](mailto:dmclean59@gmail.com)

## **FREEDOM CANINE**

- Puppy Raisers and Foster homes
- Teen, Family, or Adult Opportunity
- Contact: [info@freedomcanines.com](mailto:info@freedomcanines.com)

## **MINI EQUINE 2 U**

- 3rd Saturday 9:30-11:30am: Animal Interaction Volunteers Needed
- Teen, Family, or Adult Opportunity
- Contact [dmclean59@gmail.com](mailto:dmclean59@gmail.com)

## **WIMBERLEY PLAYERS**

- Weekday and Saturday Volunteer Needing
- Teen or Adult Opportunity
- Contact: [Melinda mellisor@gmail.com](mailto:Melinda mellisor@gmail.com)

## **CAMP COMMUNITY**

- Flexible times based on your availability
  - Teen or Adult Opportunities
- Contact: [amber@campcommunity.org](mailto:amber@campcommunity.org), 512.574.5304

## **KWVH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

KWVH is having a Kentucky Derby fundraiser on Saturday, May 4 from 2 PM – 6 PM. It will be held at Videre Estates off Burnet Ranch Road. They need 4 student volunteers to help serve food (passing appetizers). Email [volunteer@kwvh.org](mailto:volunteer@kwvh.org) if you're interested in helping out.