



TEXAN NEWS

Wimberley High School



Message from Principal Wilkes

It has been a full two weeks of STAAR testing for our students, with us wrapping up with Algebra I next week. It has been a smooth process partly due to how well the students conducted themselves and took the tests seriously. I look forward to seeing the results of their hard work.

Congratulations to Texan Golf! They punched their ticket to the State tournament by taking 2nd place as a team, and Jaxon Donaldson had the best overall score. Softball ended district play with a huge come-back win over Boerne. Good luck to them as they start the playoffs next week. Also, good luck to Texan Track, which is currently in Kingsville competing at the Regional meet.

As proud as I am of all our students participating in extracurricular activities, attendance and grades are very important. Please pay special attention to these things to prevent any surprises at the end of the year. We believe in YOU and your ability to have a strong finish to the 23-24 school year. Do not hesitate to contact teachers, counselors, or admin if we can provide additional support.

Have a great weekend!

Ryan Wilkes

GO TEXANS
#WHSTEXANPRIDE

Dates of Interest

- April 23 - STAAR Algebra
- April 23 - All Choir Concert - 6pm Lone Star Theatre
- April 24 - Academic Awards Ceremony

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 Thank you!!



~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 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

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

Got questions? See either Coach Dydalewicz or Jordan Wenk

STUDENT PROM PHOTOS DOWNLOAD

Prom photos are ready to be downloaded! Click on this link for access.

>> [PROM PHOTOS](#) <<

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.

MRS. PARKER ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

WHS Students & Parents,

I am excited to announce that I will be retiring after thirty years of service in education at the end of this school year. My husband, retired WHS coach/teacher Coach Parker, and I are ready to begin a new chapter. I would like to thank the entire WISD school community for welcoming me as part of the team in 2012. I had the privilege of serving our campus as an English teacher, UIL academic coordinator, and most recently as campus assistant principal. I will always treasure my time as a Wimberley Texan and will most definitely miss our students, parents, and staff!

My sincerest gratitude,

-Mrs. Parker, AP

**WHS BAND BOOSTERS
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SPRING CLEAN**

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**Saturday, April 20th
8am - 12pm
Wimberley High School Cafeteria**

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 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.

PHOTOVOICE CONTEST

Youth Voices:
Preparing Today for a Safer Tomorrow

USE YOUR VOICE TO HELP CREATE SAFER SCHOOLS!

Photovoice is a process where people take photos to capture aspects of their environment or experiences to shine a light on sensitive topics and help create change. The Texas School Safety Center wants to hear from Texas youth about their experiences and opinions on how students can help create safer schools.

All submissions will be entered for a chance to be featured at the 2024 Texas School Safety Conference where thousands of teachers, administrators, school resource officers, and school safety professionals will gather to work together towards creating a safe learning environment. The top 25 entries from each prompt to be showcased at the conference and posted on the Safe School Ambassadors website.



Contest Prompts

1. What does a safe school look like to you?
2. What needs to be done to make your school safer?
3. If given all the resources needed to create a safe school environment, what would these resources look like and what would you do with them?

Contest Rules

- Contestants must be in 6th – 12th grade.
- A signed parent/guardian consent form must be uploaded with the entry.
- Only 1 photo and description per entry is allowed.
- Photos cannot contain people.
- Photo must be taken by the contestant.
- Contestants can submit an entry for one, two, or all three prompts.

Submissions

All photos and descriptions submitted will remain anonymous. Submissions selected for the exhibit will show first name, grade, city, and title of artwork. Contestants will be notified if their artwork is selected.
Contest ends Wednesday, May 15, 2024.

Questions? Contact staff at txssc_yi@txstate.edu
<https://txssc.txstate.edu/about/programs/ssa/photovoice-contest>



Interested in the Texan Color Guard? Want to know more?

Mandatory Parent/ student information meeting on April 24th at 6:30 in the High School Band Hall (double doors at the very back of the building, behind the portable classroom, closest to Mary Stephenson Ln)

Open to ALL students 8th-12th grade 2024-25 school year

If you have any questions please contact

Shannon Atkins (Color Guard Director) at shannon_atkins@wimberleyisd.net
John Winebrenner (Director of Bands) at John.winebrenner@wimberleyisd.net



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

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.



Scan to Register



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 March 3rd, Subject to Change****

Prom	Saturday, April 6
7:30 - 11:30 The Videre Estate, Wimberley	
Baccalaureate (student-led community event, not required)	TBD
Academic Awards	Wednesday, April 24
9:40 - 10:40 Gym - Only recipients and parents attend, <u>student</u> audience will <u>livestream</u> during 2nd Period	
Scholarships	Thursday, May 2
7:00 pm JGW/LMW Lone Star Theater	
Finals	Friday, May 10 & Monday, May 13
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	

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 Yannyoy

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
APRIL 21	22	23 STAAR-ALG I	24 ACADEMIC AWARDS	25 STAAR-MAKEUP	26	27
28	29	30 TSI @ Scudder	MAY 1	2 SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT	3	4
5	6 AP-8am GOVT 12pm CHEM	7	8 AP-8am ENGLIT 12pm COMP SCI	9 AP-8am ENVSCI	10 AP-8am US HIS	11
12	13 AP-8am CALC	14 AP-8am ENG LANG	15 AP-8am WORLD HIST	16 AP-12pm BIO	17 AP-8am PHYS I 12pm PHYS 2 GRADUATION	18
19	20	21	22	23 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 of the Week

Evaluating online resources is an important step in any research process. Identifying trustworthy content should be part of your research journey.

[Checklist for Evaluating Online Resources](#)

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 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

FREEDOM CANINE

- Puppy Raisers and Foster homes
- Teen, Family, or Adult Opportunity
- Contact: info@freedomcanines.com

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

WIMBERLEY PLAYERS

- Weekday and Saturday Volunteer Needing
- Teen or Adult Opportunity
- Contact: Melinda mellisor@gmail.com

CAMP COMMUNITY

- Flexible times based on your availability
 - Teen or Adult Opportunities
- Contact: 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 if you're interested in helping out.