

Friday, 8/16/24



# TEXAN NEWS

## Wimberley High School



### Message from Principal Wilkes

It has been an amazing start to the school year. Everyone including support staff, teachers, administrators, students, and parents has 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 and how they drive our decisions to improve campus initiatives. We also discussed the new guidelines for student cell phone usage during school hours. Over the summer, we received feedback from parents and teachers regarding this growing concern. You may have also heard that other schools in our local area are completely banning cell phones on campus. At present, our expectations are that cell phones should not be used during class time and must be kept out of sight or placed in a designated container. The only exception for using a cell phone during class is if it is necessary for a specific assignment, such as creating a video or taking a picture, although this is not a common occurrence. Students will be allowed to use their phones during passing periods and lunch. We appreciate your support in this effort to remove distractions and focus student attention on subjects taught during class. If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me to discuss them.

Have a great weekend!

Ryan Wilkes  
GO TEXANS  
#WHSTEXANPRIDE

### Dates of Interest

August 26 - Open House - 6:30-7:30

August 28 -9th-11th Grade Photos (Order info below!)

Sept 2 - Labor Day School Holiday

### Links to Know

[Bell Schedule](#)

[Gradebook](#)

[Sports Schedules](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[A/B Calendar](#)

[Library](#)

[College and Career Resources](#)

[Buy a Yearbook](#)

### ID BADGES ARE MANDATORY

Beginning next Monday; ALL students have their ID badge around the neck from the start of the school day to the end. If a student does not have a badge, they will be sent to the office to get a sticker badge. Please help us keep everyone accountable to this Texan Guideline.

# 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

## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

9th—11th grade students will have their photos taken for the yearbook on August 28. They will be called down by grade level and alphabetically. If you'd like to order your student's photo, you can do so online using this link: [ORDER ONLINE](#).

### COMING SOON



### School Picture Day

Wednesday, 8/28

Order your pictures. Scan this code and text it home.



Not you, Seniors.  
Yours is later.

*Please note: Seniors will not have their senior photos taken until October 28th.*

## TECHNOLOGY DUES & CHROMEBOOKS

The technology department would like to remind everyone that their **\$60 technology dues must be paid by September 10**. 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.

## PARKING LOTS ARE FOR PARKING

No student should be in the parking lot during the school day. Once students have parked their car at the beginning of the day, they should not return to their car until they leave for the day. Students should not eat lunch in their cars.

## STUDENT DRIVERS

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year!

We have some **new procedures in place for student drivers**. Due to security reasons, all student driver signout requests will now go through the Skyward parent portal (Wimberleyisd.net, Families, Skyward family access, Contact us, High School Attendance.). Also, all student driver signout requests must be made by 8 am after the requested dismissal. If your student is ill, they should see the nurse where you will be contacted. Otherwise you are welcome to sign them out through the main office anytime.

Please contact Mrs. Bock in the Attendance Office if you have any questions.

## STUDENT BUS EXPECTATIONS

- Students should remain seated facing front.
- All students must wear their seatbelt!
- Students must have their ID.
- Students will not bother other students or the driver.  
Keep your hands to yourself.
- There will be no pencils, markers, food, gum, or drinks(except water).
- Noise should be at a reasonable level.
- Keep your stuff in your backpack!

## 2025 PROJECT GRADUATION

Dear Class of 2025 Parents,

We are excited to announce our first [Project Graduation fundraiser – Senior Yard Signs!](#) This is a wonderful way to show your love and support for your senior while also contributing to their graduation celebration.

Sales will run through **August 23, 2024**. To purchase a sign, simply follow [the link in the FLYER HERE](#), which has all the details you need. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Krystal Chappell; her contact information is listed on the flyer.

Thank you for your continued support of our seniors. We wish you and your student a fantastic school year!

Order form link: <https://forms.gle/HTCa9FkqE1K1GFVe8>

## CHILDREN'S PLAY AUDITIONS

**PEGGY THE  
PINT-SIZED PIRATE**

**LST Children's Show Auditions**  
**For students grades 6-12**  
**Tuesday, August 20th**  
**Lone Star Theatre 4-6 PM**  
Contact [rhonda.riali@wimberleyisd.net](mailto:rhonda.riali@wimberleyisd.net)  
for additional information



## SPANISH CLUB MEETING

The first Spanish Club Meeting is on Friday, August 30, in Mr. Douglas' room 212.

## JOIN WHS SPEECH AND DEBATE

Are you interested in joining the WHS State Champion Speech Team? We have over 17 events to choose from, so there is something for everyone. Come by room 105 to meet the team and find out more. Interest meeting Wednesday, August 21st 3:45-5.



## STUCO APPLICATIONS IN LIBRARY

Interested in joining a leadership group on campus? Check out StuCo! Applications are available in the library and are due to Ms. Reeves by September 6.



Join  
**STUDENT**  
COUNCIL

Pick-up an Application in the **Library**.

Return by September 6

## ROBOTICS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Join us after school on August 20 to hear about the different skills needed and positions available in Robotics.

**INFORMATION MEETING**  
**AUGUST 20 3:45-4:15**  
**IN CTE BUILDING**  
**ROOM 407**

If the answer to any of these questions is yes, then consider joining the Wimberley Robotics team!

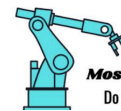
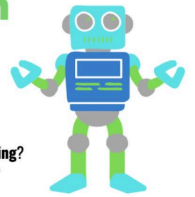
We have a number of different positions and jobs that utilize these skills and teach new ones that can be used past graduation. Each year we compete in competitions where design and marketing, software, and hardware are all a vital part of the game. When we are not competing, we train our members on how to use shop equipment and programs that widen their skill portfolio.

Questions? Email  
anthony.richart@wimberleyisd.net

**What Qualifies you to be in Robotics?**

CHECK THIS LIST AND FIND OUT!

- Are you good with a **camera**?
- Do you like to **design**?
- Do you like **puzzles** and **strategizing**?
- Do you **code** or want to learn how?
- Do you like to **build**?
- Do you want to pursue a career in **STEM**?



**Most Importantly...**  
Do you want to learn?



# ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND SUMMER 2025



## PRESENTATION MEETINGS:

**Wednesday, September 6th 6:30 P.M.**

**Dripping Springs High School (Lecture Hall)**

**Wednesday, September 18th 6:30 P.M.**

**Wimberley High School (Room 308)**



**From England to Scotland**

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|-----------------------|--|
| <b>Group Leader</b>   | Ms. Paige Frontera                                       |
| <b>Departure Date</b> | June 6, 2025   |
| <b>Overnights</b>     | London 5 • Edinburgh 2 • Fort William 1 •<br>Edinburgh 2 |

**For More Information**

- 1 Visit our website  
[passports.com](https://passports.com)
- 2 Enter Tour ID  
**PFRONTA2024**

Or, point your camera at the QR code to the right



**Contacts: Coach Frontera, Mrs Brookshier**

# COUNSELORS Corner

Counselors are so happy to see you back on campus!



## SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUESTS

Schedule Change Requests [Google Form](#)

Schedule change requests **END NEXT WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21.**

*Students, please check your email.* Your counselor is emailing you if there is a problem or they want to see you or if it doesn't work out. The only way schedule changes will happen is through the Google form: [Google Form](#)

Students must be logged into their school account to fill it out.  
Thank you for helping us streamline the process.

## CURRENT ACC DUAL CREDIT STUDENTS

Classes start August 26, 2024. You should see the course listed in the zero hour slot.

Days Meet 1 - means Monday/Wednesday

Days Meet 2 - means Tuesday/Thursday

If anyone wants to add ACC Dual Credit Psychology and Sociology to their schedule, it will be an online asynchronous course with dedicated time to work during 6th period/B2.

Earning college credit FOR FREE while in high school is an AMAZING opportunity!!

# 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

## [AUGUST] WEBSITE TO KNOW

### College Preparation Checklist for Grades 9-12

The Common App is a website you should get familiar with. Once you're in the Common App, you're taking the first step towards college. Choose your current grade and see how you can stay on track.

[College Prep Checklists](#)

## [AUGUST] WHS STUDY RESOURCES

Use what *we pay for* to study, get ahead, or get extra help!

Each year, WHS renews subscriptions to a variety of educational resources. Before searching online for study materials, be sure to visit our library webpage—we have everything you need.

**Learn360:** Learn360 offers students the chance to view over 185,000 multimedia assets on subjects such as STEAM, Social Studies, Literacy, and Community Building. [Visit this link for the username and password.](#)

**EBSCO Learning Express:** EBSCO Learning Express is an online database offering a wide range of interactive tutorials, practice tests, e-books, and other resources to support academic and career advancement. It covers various subjects including math, science, language arts, and standardized test preparation like SAT, ACT, GRE, and professional certification exams. It's a valuable tool for students looking to enhance their skills, prepare for exams, or explore new career paths. [Visit this link for the username and password.](#)

**Khan Academy + College Board:** The partnership between Khan Academy and the College Board aims to provide students with free, high-quality resources for SAT preparation. Khan Academy, known for its extensive library of educational content, collaborated with the College Board, the organization behind the SAT, to create personalized study plans tailored to each student's strengths and weaknesses. Through this partnership, students gain access to official SAT practice tests, instructional videos, practice questions, and personalized study recommendations. You'll be prompted to [create an account with schoolhouse](#) to use this feature.

# TEXAN NEWS **YOUR** *future*

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

**NEW Scholarships Added WEEKLY!**

Coming soon...

## **SCHOLARSHIPS OF THE WEEK**

Coming soon...

## **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!