# Friday, 12/13 TEXAN NEWS

Wimberley High School

## **MESSAGE FROM MR. WILKES**

This week on campus has been filled with excitement and energy. Staff and students have been participating in the Twelve Days of Christmas theme days throughout the district. In my family, we check the school's calendar every morning to see what we should wear. The WHS/DJH and Texan Band also held holiday concerts, which sounded fantastic. All these moments contribute to making this a fun and special time of year.

Congratulations to our FFA students for their success this week at the Chapter Show! These students, along with their FFA sponsors, teachers, and parents, have dedicated a significant amount of time and resources to prepare for the Hays County Show next semester.

Good luck to the Texan Swim team as they travel to Dallas for their swim meet. The Texan Basketball team is headed to Glen Rose for an important tournament, and our soccer programs have begun their workouts in preparation for competition starting next week. Finally, we wish the Texan Football team the best of luck in their semifinal game against Waco La Vega tonight!

We have completed our last full week of the fall semester, but we are not finished yet. Mid-term exams are next week, so students should take this time to attend tutorials, turn in any outstanding work, and study for their exams.

Have a great weekend!

Go Texans!

Ryan Wilkes GO TEXANS #WHSTEXANPRIDE

## DATES OF INTEREST

December 17 - B1, B2 and B4 Semester Exams on regular bell schedule
December 17 - Choir Concert - Lone Star Theatre - 6 - 7 pm
December 18 - A1, A2 and A4 Semester Exams on a regular bell schedule
December 19 - A3, B3 Semester Exams on a *Noon release bell schedule*December 19 - Early Release
December 20 - January 6 - Winter Break
March 29 - WHS Junior/Senior Prom - See flyer here
April 8 - NACAC College Fair - Palmer Events Center - 6-8:30 pm (more details to come)

To see all dates on the Wimberley High School calendar, click here: WHS Calendar link

POPULAR LINKS Bell Schedule

## <u>Gradebook</u> <u>Sports Schedules</u> <u>District Calendar</u> <u>WHS Calendar</u> <u>A/B Calendar</u> <u>Library</u> College and Career Resources

## LEO CLUB TOY DRIVE

The WHS Leo Club is hosting its annual Toy Drive from **December 2nd to December 20th** to bring holiday cheer to children in need. We're collecting **new and unwrapped toys and puzzles for kids ages 0-14**, with a special focus on gifts for **ages 8-14**.

Here are some gift ideas:

- Infants (0-2 years): Baby items, blankets, rattles, sensory toys, building blocks, and musical toys.
- Children (3-9 years): Balls (soccer, football, basketball, etc.), dolls, toy trucks, cars, LEGO sets, model kits, and arts and crafts supplies.
- Preteens/Teens (10-14 years): Handheld games, wallets, purses, backpacks, jewelry, hair styling tools, and arts and crafts.

Donations can be dropped off at designated locations on campus. Help us make this holiday season brighter for kids in our community!

## JUNIORS ONLY

Grown-ups of 11th graders, **please ensure your student completes this** <u>Google form</u> about the upcoming TEXAN Roots field trip to John Knox Ranch by Thursday, December 19th. This will ensure we have enough transportation for all students who want to attend.



## SPEECH AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

A few members from the Speech and Debate Team traveled to Spring Highschool for the It's Christmas Charlie Brown tournament on Friday 12/6. The following placed at the meet:

Walker Wlliams- 3rd Dramatic Interpretation Ashley Weaver- 3rd Informative Speaking Gage Trudeau- 4th Foreign Extemp Faeryn Frueh- 5th Informative Speaking Carys Bowling-5th Domestic Extemp

Congratulations to Ashley and Faeryn who have now qualified for the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions which is held in Kansas City, MO in May!



## GET INVOLVED BY ATTENDING CLUB MEETINGS

FCA - Texan Gym - Every Friday (except home game Friday's) - Texan Time
StuCo - Library - Every Monday - Texan Time
AMP Mentorship Program - Room 223 - Tuesday/Thursday - Texan Time
Speech and Debate - Room 105 - Every Wednesday - 3:45 - 5:45 pm.
Freedom Canines Dog Training Club - Ag Building - Every Wednesday - 3:35 pm
Press Team - Library - Every Friday - Texan Time. *Please note that on Texan Activity Schedule Fridays, we will meet on Thursdays.*

## **AP (ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL) UPDATE**

## **TEXAN TIME STAAR TUTORIALS TEMPORARY SCHEDULE CHANGES**

Students, due to state and local testing in December, there will be some temporary schedule changes to the meeting dates for mandatory STAAR Tutorials during Texan Time.

Please see the temporary changes below:

**Monday, December 16th - Thursday, December 19th** - STAAR Tutorials are <u>temporarily canceled</u> (Students stay in A3/B3 unless they have prior permission to visit another teacher)

## **IDS ARE REQUIRED FOR LUNCH**

We are seeing an increase in students using other students' ID numbers to make purchases in the lunch line. In order to curb this behavior, **starting on 1/7/25 students will be required to have an ID Badge or Temporary badge to purchase lunch or snacks in the cafeteria line.** If a student comes through the line without an ID they will be directed to the AP's office to receive a temporary sticker.

## ATTENDANCE RECOVERY

Attention students, please be mindful if you owe hours for attendance recovery. You will have the rest of November and December to finish make-up hours on campus and the holiday breaks to make up any community service hours (up to 10). If you have questions about how to complete your hours, stop by the AP office to speak with an assistant principal. Hours can be made up during the following times on campus:

#### Mr. Bowman's Room #207

Tuesday AM- 7:20-8:10 Wednesday PM- 3:35-4:35 Thursday AM- 7:20-8:10 Friday Night Live 3:35-7:35

#### Mrs. Loving's Room #205

Monday PM- 3:35-4:35 Tuesday PM- 3:35-4:35 Thursday PM- 3:35-4:35

Students can also pick up a community service form in the Counselor's or AP's office to complete hours. Hours must be completed with a non-profit such as Lion's Club.

## **SENIOR SECTION**

## YEARBOOK: SENIOR AD INFORMATION

Class of 2025 Seniors have the opportunity to be recognized in the 24-25 yearbook. In order to purchase a senior ad, you'll need to log into the Jostens website (<u>linked here</u>), and click on the "**Yearbook Ads**" button.

\*\*It's important to note that you will need to build and submit your completed ad before you can pay for it. As the year progresses, these ad prices will increase.

## SENIOR BABY PHOTOS FOR GRADUATION

Every year at graduation, we show a slideshow of baby photos next to their cap and gown photos. Seniors and Senior Guardians, please send or bring in your baby photos **ASAP** to Coach Dydalewicz at <u>Greg.Dydalewicz@wimberleyisd.net</u>.

## SENIORS AND COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

SENIORS!! College application deadlines are just around the corner!! See your counselor if you have questions or need assistance!! Get those applications submitted!!

## **COUNSELORS CORNER**

## FIELD TRIP COMING UP

AMP and the Counselors are taking interested students to the ACC Make-It Center and Highland Campus, Jan 17th!! Sign-up by having a parent/guardian <u>fill out this Google form</u>, where they will have to give their permission for students to attend. Check out this video to learn more about the <u>ACC MIC</u>!

## **TSI TESTING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SPING**

The TSIA is a college readiness exam. <u>Learn more about the TSI here</u>. WHS will offer the TSI test during the school day on the following days in the Spring.

February 26, 2025 March 26, 2025 April 30, 2025 June 4, 2025 (summer) Sign-ups will begin via a Google form in January.

## **SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Anyone interested in Southern Methodist University (SMU)? They have an excellent opportunity for their Hunt Leadership Scholars Program. <u>Check out the website here.</u>

Also, make sure you are checking out the <u>scholarship page on the website</u>. We are updating it regularly as scholarships come in. The local scholarships will start coming in once we come back from Christmas break, so keep your eye out! Scholarship Tip: Make sure you qualify for the scholarships you are applying for by reading the description carefully!!

## SPECIAL COUNSELOR MESSAGE

Students and families - ENJOY your holiday break! Relax and enjoy time with family and friends over some hot cocoa!



Get outside in the sunshine, move your body, and limit your screen time!! Rest up for a strong Spring semester in 2025!



## **NEWSLETTER ATTACHMENTS THIS WEEK**

TSTC Discovery Day SWE High School Conference PAVE Essay Contest Fannie Bowzer And Gomillion Byars Scholarship Fund LEO Club Toy Drive