



TEXAN NEWS

Wimberley High School



Message from Principal Wilkes

September is already here and I want to thank everyone who came to Open House. The event was well attended and a great opportunity for teachers and parents to connect. I realize everyone, teachers and parents, have busy schedules, so thank you for taking the time on a Monday night. It is a little hard to believe we are already talking about progress reports. This Friday, Sept 1st, is the last day of the first six weeks progress report. Teachers will submit grades by the end of the day on Tuesday, and progress reports will be posted in Skyward on Friday, September 8th, 2023. If your student is struggling, please encourage them to complete their homework, study for tests, and attend tutorials. Please communicate with teachers early and often to improve academic success. We will also begin Texan Time HB 4545/1416 STAAR tutorials next week. If your child is enrolled in a tutorial class, you will receive a letter in the mail. Monday is Labor Day. There is no school so I hope you enjoy the long weekend.

Have a great weekend!

Ryan Wilkes
Go Texans!

GO TEXANS
#WHSTEXANPRIDE

Dates of Interest

Sept 4 - Labor Day School Holiday
Sept 5 - Texan Time Tutorials Begin
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
Sept 23 - Homecoming Dance @ La Estancia Bella 8:00
Sept 25 - Junior Parent Night - 6:30 to 7:30

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



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.

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.

GET INVOLVED: WHS CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

JOIN SPEECH AND DEBATE

Do you like to travel? Do you enjoy arguing? Do you like to speak or act? If so, come see Mrs. Brookshier-De Leon downstairs in room 105 to talk about everything the Speech & Debate team has to offer.



FCA MEETING

FCA is gearing up for a great year. We will be having our first FCA meeting in Texan Gym on Friday, September 8th during Texan Time.

YEARBOOK CLUB

Yearbook is looking for caption writers and reporters. If you're a good conversationalist or clever writer, come see Mrs. Reeves in the Library Computer Lab on Tuesdays during Texan Time to learn more!

FUTURE ENTREPRENEUR CLUB

Want to be an entrepreneur? Want to get a head start on a business career? Learn how to track a company's assets, liabilities and equity through a balance sheet. Learn concepts involving cash flow and inventory, both of which will influence the success of your business.



Meetings are on Thursday during Texan Time in Room 308.

Contact Coach Frontera for more information or join Remind using the code @uilacc308.

UIL MATH TEAM

Ready to show your mental abilities. Join the UIL Math team. Categories include Number Sense, Calculator Applications, and General Math.

Meetings are on Wednesday during Texan Time.



The first meeting is on September 6 in Room 308. Contact Coach Frontera for more information or join Remind using the code @uilmath308.

COLLEGE PLANNING & AFFORDABILITY WORKSHOP

Wed., Oct. 20th, 6pm - WHS Cafeteria

Presented by long-time Wimberley resident and Financial Advisor Carl Owens, RICP - this Workshop will cover a proactive & holistic approach to college planning and affordability that includes:

- The most current updates and 'reliable' information on the new FAFSA (changes, 2023 release date, etc.)
- Determining your SAI (old EFC)
- Importance of student's major/career choice on overall college costs
- College search optimization and how it can help reduce college costs
- What is 'student positioning' and how it helps match student-to-college & affordability
- What to look and plan for during college visits... and much more

Whether your student is a freshman, senior or somewhere between, the information presented will help in your college planning process, including potential ways to help reduce your costs of college.

CONGRATS, VOLLEYBALL

Texan Volleyball made it to the **Gold bracket** again at Johnson City!



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.

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.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns about your child's results.

YEARBOOK NEWS

Follow us on Facebook [@wimberleyHSyearbook](#)

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!



SUMMER
photos
NEEDED

EMAIL TO
WHSNEWS@WIMBERLEYISD.NET

SENIOR RECOGNITION ADS

BUY NOW, BUILD LATER!

Senior parent/guardians. The time has arrived, and graduation is right around the corner. Recognize your student with a “student recognition ad” (a SENIOR AD).

[USE THIS LINK TO BUY YOUR AD.](#)

How to Design Perfect Yearbook Ads for Seniors

Designing yearbook ads for seniors is an exciting and creative process. But at the same time, you may be having a tough time coming up with ideas for yearbook ads that express the message and emotions you want them to convey.

Luckily, Josten’s website gives you plenty of ways you could put together memorable senior yearbook ads, and there’s really no wrong way of showcasing your appreciation for the senior in your life on a yearbook dedication page.

[Click here to view our quick start guide.](#)

FAQ’s

CAN I SAVE MY PHOTOS AND TEXT AND RETURN TO COMPLETE THE AD AT A LATER DATE?

Yes, but your ad needs to be purchased before your school’s deadline which is posted on the ad designer toolbar. To access any saved work, sign into your account > click on cart > click edit

WHAT ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR UPLOADING PHOTOS?

- Must be JPEG or PNG image format (.jpg, .jpeg or .png). JPEG is recommended.
- No TIFF files, HEIC format files (iPhone only format), social media images or screenshots (they are low resolution) or watermarked images
- If uploading an image from a mobile device, please use actual image size.

- Low resolution images will be rejected in the designer to ensure the best quality images.
- Minimum of 107 DPI (dots per inch), we recommend 300 DPI to size.
- Maximum image size 20MB
- Must be RGB or Grayscale
- If an image appears blurry or pixelated on your screen, please be aware it will print that way in the book.

WHAT IF I ONLY HAVE HEIC (IPHONE ONLY FORMAT) IMAGES?

If you would like to use a HEIC photo, we recommend doing a web search for a "HEIC to JPEG converter" before uploading images to the designer. Once your image is converted to a JPEG, you will be able to upload this image.

I GOT AN ERROR MESSAGE STATING I EXCEEDED THE TEXT LIMIT OF THE TEXT BOX. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

The Ad Designer reduces the font size as you type to allow the maximum amount of text to fit in the allotted area. If you get a text limit message, you must use the delete or backspace key to delete some text since the font size has already been reduced as much as possible. Different fonts allow for a different number of characters so you can also try using a different font.

CAN I CHANGE MY AD SIZE AND/OR LAYOUT WITHOUT LOSING MY PHOTOS AND TEXT?

Yes. If you choose a different size and layout during your design session, your text and photos will fit into the newly selected layout without losing your work. Please be aware the photos may need to be re-positioned and cropped. **To save your ad, click the Save Draft button on the toolbar of the Ad Designer. Be sure to submit your ad before the stated deadline, after this date, your ad will be removed from our system.**

TECHNOLOGY DUES & CHROMEBOOKS

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

FRONT DOOR ACCESS

Now that most of our **students have their badges** we are asking that they **use the side entrances either by the AP's office or loading dock area to access** the building when they are coming in from Athletics or any of the outside areas. We are getting a large number of students passing through the office area. This is causing congestion in the office. Please help get the word out to your students and athletes. Thank you for your cooperation!

TEXAN ATHLETICS NEWS

We will continue to utilize online tickets for all home games.

Tickets can be purchased at Wimberleyisd.net/Tickets

Cash will not be accepted at the door, with the exception for varsity football. Only at varsity football games will there be a box office open at the main gate.

The easiest way to purchase and keep track of tickets is with the [Hometown Ticketing Fan App](#).

To always have your ticket ready before the game, consider purchasing a season pass today!

Away Game Tickets:

8/29 - Wimberley Volleyball @ Pflugerville HS:

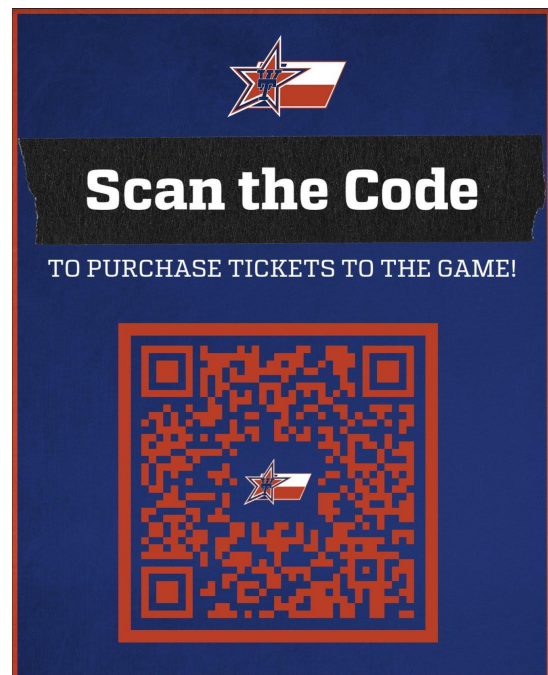
<https://www.pfisd.net/HS-Tickets>

9/1 - Wimberley Volleyball @ Burnet HS:

<https://burnetsports.rankonesport.com/Website/Main/CustomPage?customPageId=8438>

9/1 - Wimberley Varsity Football @ Pieper HS:

<https://brushfire.com/comal-isd/phs-vfb/556231/tickets>



COUNSELORS Carner

WHO'S YOUR COUNSELOR?

Mrs. Phillips (Last Name ends A - K)
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Mrs. Vannoy (Last Name ends L - Z)
kristina.vannoy@wimberleyisd.net



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				

IMPORTANT DATES

Senior Parent Night 9/11 at 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Junior Parent Night 9/25 at 6:30pm - 7:30pm

PSAT October 11, online test, sign-up coming soon!!

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.

DEADLINE September 1, 2023!!

TEXAN NEWS YOUR *future*

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.

TEXAS FIRST PROGRAM

Scroll TO THE END of this newsletter to view the flyers for details.

You may also visit the website [here](#).

Austin Community College

Parent and Family Engagement

Free workshops designed to empower you to support your student's success.

How College Works

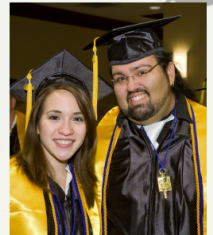
This workshop will help parents and family members talk to their students about college and everything that is involved: from selecting a major, to what to expect that first week of class, registration deadlines, and much more.

Resources Galore

Students are more successful when their family network is familiar with the tools and resources available at the college. This workshop is intended for parents and family members who want to encourage their students to seek out all the support they need to succeed at ACC.

Limited Spots Available

In-person at Highland Campus and virtual options.
Email: Familyengagement@austincc.edu



Scan for dates
and registration



WHS 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!

DOUBLE J RANCH: GOLF COURSE MECHANIC

Location: #1 Pro Lane, Wimberley TX 78676

Double J Ranch Golf Course is seeking a qualified Golf Course Mechanic. If you would like to be a part of an environment where teamwork is emphasized and individual excellence is encouraged, then this is the place for you.

Double J Ranch Golf Course employees enjoy a dynamic and exciting work environment, along with the pride that comes from working for a company with a reputation for exceptional service. We promote a culture of respect, teamwork, and success. If you are a friendly, motivated person, with a will to succeed, Double J Ranch Golf Course is your perfect match.

Job Description:

The Golf Course Mechanic will ensure the proper maintenance and repair of golf and grounds maintenance equipment.

Responsibilities:

- Assists with the maintenance and repair of various gasoline and diesel powered golf equipment.
- Contributes to the implementation of a preventative maintenance program.
- Inspects, diagnoses, adjusts and repairs mechanical defects and or failures in various pieces of golf and grounds maintenance equipment.

- Assists with maintaining accurate and detailed service and repair records for each individual piece of machinery.
- Keep maintenance equipment fueled, oiled, inspected to ensure use at any time.
- Sets up and modifies new equipment as needed.

Qualifications:

- Ideal candidate will have a High School degree or certificate from a vocational/CTE school in mechanical field of study.
- Must have the ability to work in a variety of weather conditions while repairing equipment.
- Must be familiar with and adhere to the proper recycling and disposal of various shop fluids and compounds that may be considered hazardous.
- Must be proficient with welding and fabrication equipment.
- Must possess a valid drivers license.

If you are interested in applying for employment with Double J Ranch Golf please send an email to: allen@fabshr.com

OLD MILL STORE: WEEKEND HELP

Daniel, the owner of the Old Mill Store, is looking for 2 new employees to be greeters and ice cream scoopers over the weekends. If interested, please call 512-847-3068 and ask for Daniel.

Fast Track Your Path to Texas Universities

Texas First Program

We're excited to introduce the **TEXAS FIRST PROGRAM**. This prestigious opportunity enables you to graduate early with the Distinguished Level of Achievement AND receive a scholarship for college.

As one of Texas' top students, you may be eligible to accelerate your path to college and receive a scholarship for one or two semesters at one of these Texas universities:

- Texas A&M University
- Texas State University
- Texas Tech University
- The University of Texas at Arlington
- The University of Texas at Austin
- The University of Texas at Dallas
- The University of Texas at El Paso
- University of Houston
- University of North Texas
- The University of Texas at San Antonio

For more information, scan the QR code below!



Talk to your counselor today to see if this exciting new opportunity is the right path for you!

THE FINE PRINT

Here are the eligibility requirements:

- Texas residency
- FAFSA completion
- At least 22 high school credits and a final GPA equivalent to 3.0 or higher
- Additional academic requirements, including college readiness test scores, STAAR exam participation, and demonstration of mastery in various subjects

Scan the QR code above for a detailed list of eligibility requirements.

If you graduate two or more semesters early, you'll receive a two-semester scholarship, worth several thousand dollars, to a participating university.

If you graduate one semester early, you'll receive a one-semester scholarship to a participating university.

You may also be eligible for additional financial aid at most of these institutions!

The Texas First Program does not guarantee automatic admission for students. Consult your counselor for guidance on whether your grade point average at graduation qualifies you for automatic admission under the state's top 10 percent law.

You can apply to any college or university you choose. However, the scholarship will only apply toward participating universities, listed above.

Use it or lose it! The scholarship offer will expire at the end of the first academic year following your graduation, so we encourage you to attend college directly after high school.

Don't forget to talk to your counselor to see if this is the right path for you!

NOTE: Effective September 1, 2023, the number of institutions of higher education that are eligible to award the Texas First Scholarship to eligible Texas First Program graduates expands from ten institutions to all Texas public institutions of higher education, including colleges, universities, and technical colleges (*Senate Bill 2294, 88th Texas Legislature, Regular Session*). Please see your high school counselor for information regarding eligibility requirements to graduate early under the Texas First Program and receive a scholarship up to one year upon admission to a Texas public institution of higher education.