

Greetings from the Lubbock High Counseling Department,

We hope your Westerners have all had a great start to the 2022-2023 school year. Now that we have a few weeks under our belts, we would like to remind you of a few important things that will help you and your student be successful in high school. If you are a parent of a senior, we invite you to read the first part of this email as a refresher, but also see the last of this message for more details pertaining to senior year and graduation.

A few things to help you navigate this school year:

- Numerous resources are posted on the LHS Counselor Webpage to help you and your student find success in high school and beyond. You can find the LHS Counseling Page here: <http://bit.ly/LubbockHScounselors>

A few links we highly recommend you spend time reading from our page are:

- [Counselor Newsletter](#)
- [Course Offerings Booklet 2022-2023](#)
- [Graduation Plans](#) and [Algebra 2 Benefits](#)
- [LISD High School Handbook](#)

- Follow the LHS Counselors [@BeAWesterner](#) on Twitter, where we post updates for scholarships, college admissions visits, deadlines, and much more!
- Keep up with what your student is hearing by checking the daily announcements at the bottom of the LHS page: <https://www.lubbockisd.org/lhs>
- You can create your gradebook account here: <https://www.lubbockisd.org/Domain/2190>
This will allow you to monitor your student's grades, attendance, and discipline. You can also communicate with teachers from here if you have questions regarding their classes and your student.

Important upcoming dates for all grade levels:

- September 16th: LHS College and Career Fiesta in the library, 8:00AM - 12:30PM
- September 30th: Pass/Fail forms will be available for 10th-12th graders with a 4.0 or higher cumulative GPA. Deadline to turn in forms is October 14, 4:00PM.
- September 19th-October 7th: Window opens for students to request dropping down levels in advanced core classes.
- October 12th: PSAT 8/9 and PSAT/NMSQT test day. All 9th and 10th graders will be mass registered by LISD and test for free. 11th graders with qualifying scores can test for free while all other 11th graders can pay to retake the NMSQT, but 11th graders must register with Mrs. Brady. See the [Testing Department](#) page for more details.
- October 3rd: LISD College & Career Night at the United Supermarkets Arena, 5:30PM - 7:30PM. Students should register at <http://falltacrao.swoogo.com/Registration>! Select "IN PERSON" and the week "OCTOBER 3,2022"
(TTU USA has a clear bag policy)
- November 9th: The Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery or ASVAB will be administered at LHS. It is open to all 10th, 11th, and 12th graders and is completely free of charge. Students can sign up in room 1408 or see a counselor for more information.
- Mid-November: Announcements for spring dual credit registration will be made. More information to come!
- March 1st: LISD high schools will administer the SAT to all 11th grade students. Students will be mass registered for this test and it will be paid for by LISD.
- STAAR EOC test dates: <https://sites.google.com/lubbockisd.net/lhs-testing/staar>

SENIOR specific information:

- [Lubbock High Senior Information Page](#)
- September 12th-16th: Counselors and LEARN advisors meet with seniors in English class.
- October 1: FAFSA application opens. Effective last school year, all seniors must complete the FAFSA, TASFA or sign an opt-out form as part of graduation requirements. Information will be provided to seniors in September meetings.
- October-November (Dates TBD): Balfour cap and gown meeting with the senior class.
- May 22nd & 23rd: Senior final exams and grades are finalized.
- May 24th & 25th: Required senior meetings.
- May 26th: Graduation practice, 10:30-12:00pm.
- May 27th: Graduation ceremony at 1:00pm in the TTU USA. ***More details will be provided in the spring.***

Requests from the LHS Counseling Department regarding Seniors:

- Counselors will provide all seniors with a Senior Checklist during English class visits. Help your student stay on track with this tool.
- LEARN advisors will meet with seniors to provide information about how they can assist with FAFSA and other applications. They will also send home parent release forms that must be signed and returned if you want LEARN to work with your student.
- When your student receives scholarship offers, please send a copy to us (hard copy or email). These will be printed in the graduation program. *We want all offers, even if your student is not accepting them.*
- If your student enlists in the military, please provide a copy of the enlistment paperwork to your student's alpha counselor. Red, white, and blue military cords will be provided for graduation.
- Keep your mailing address up to date with LHS, as many important items are mailed home, especially throughout senior year.

We look forward to working with your student, and we invite you to contact us if you have any questions.

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