

February 6, 2023



HIGHLANDS OWL NEWS

HOME OF THE MIGHTY OWLS-STAKEHOLDER BULLETIN



Dr. Penny Pruitt



Dr. Penny Pruitt is honored to serve as the principal at Highlands High School. She looks forward to continuing to guide the campus in the upward trend of academic growth that began before COVID. She believes that increasing opportunities for all students to access rigorous courses, maintaining an instruction-driven focus on the campus, and preparing students for post-secondary life is the key to success. To achieve this, Dr. Pruitt believes building relationships with students and their families is essential.

Saturday School

Parents and Guardians,
Thank you for your continued support. This past Saturday, We had an excellent turnout for the Parent Forum and student seat time. When students report to Saturday school, we double their time. Please ensure your child brings their missing assignments and a charged laptop to Saturday School.



Save the date!

A promotional poster for Grade Level Parent Night. The background features a group of diverse students smiling. The text is overlaid on the image in white circles and bold fonts. It lists dates for 9th, 10th, and 11th grades, and includes the event title and a time to join.

February 6
9th grade
February 13
10th grade
February 22
11th grade

**GRADE LEVEL
PARENT NIGHT**

Meet with your child's grade-level administrator and counselors

Join us at 5:30 pm!

A small icon of a graduation cap (mortarboard) with a circular arrow around it, symbolizing a cycle or return.

Assistant Principals

Contact Information



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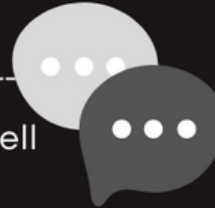
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12th Grade- Ms. Ruth Caldwell
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Credit Denials

Students can **only** have up to **nine unexcused** absences for the 1st and 8th periods or **four unexcused** absences for the 2nd-7th periods. Their credits are denied if the student misses more than the allotted unexcused absences. The student must **make up** what the state calls "seat time."



Seat Time

It is when you can make up the missed hours for being absent. 1 Absence = 1 Hour of seat time. Seat time can be made up during the following times.

- Twilight School- TSI Testing lab begins at 4:30 pm and ends at 6:30 pm, Monday through Thursday
- Before or after Afterschool Tutoring (See your teacher's tutoring schedule)
- Lunch (ask your teacher if they will allow you to come in during lunch. Just a friendly reminder that teachers are not required to do so)
- Saturday School- To be announced on the next newsletter

3. You must have work assignments to do at seat time.

4. Please get your missed assignments from your teacher(s).

5. Any time you stay is counted (ex., 1 hour, 1/2 hour.)

6. You can build up your hours. Use the seat time log.



Reach out to your Assistant Principal if you have questions or concerns about attendance issues, including truancy and seat time.

Week of February 6th Athletic Events

"At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents."

Jane D. Dull

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Week of February 6, 2023



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Girls Basketball Senior Night @ Highlands High School vs. Alamo Heights. 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Boy's Basketball Highlands High School vs Alamo Heights @ Alamo Heights 6:45 pm
Baseball vs Roosevelt @ Blossom Field @ 5pm

Softball @ SAISD Complex 7pm

Softball @ SW Legacy 7 pm
Girl's Soccer @Sports Complex @ 8 pm
Boy's Soccer vs. MacArthur @ Alamo Stadium at 5:30 pm
Baseball vs. Canyon Lake @ Diz Reeves Diamond #1 @ 6pm

Highlands High School Student Spotlight



Our students competed this Saturday at the Showmakers at Alamo Heights. Congratulations to the team, Mrs. Zamora, and her assistant coaches!

Pep

Sweepstakes

3rd Place for Jazz

Dance

Sweepstakes

Novelty, Jazz, & Pom Showmanship

Novelty 2nd Place



Highlands High School Student Spotlight



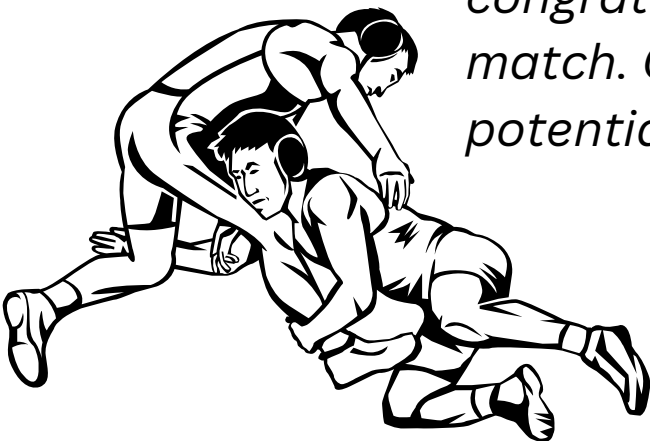
*Our students competed this past week at the Regions Mock Trials. Highlands High School was the only SAISD school to participate. Our students came in **2nd Place** overall! Congratulations on your dedication and determination. Thank you, Mr. Mickenberg, for your service in sponsoring our students.*



Highlands High School Student Spotlight



*Coach Samia and our student wrestlers,
congratulations on the weekend wrestling
match. Continue to achieve your highest
potential; we are proud of you!*



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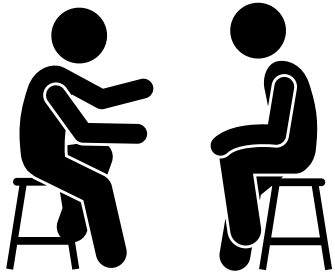
This past Friday, one senior and sophomore Owl were part of the Region 29 All-Region Band Clinic and Concert. They all practiced the music for 5 hours for the first time and put on a great concert later that evening. Congratulations on your willingness to be challenged and your dedication to the band. Please continue to make us proud. Go Owls!



Counselor's Corner

THE COUNSELOR'S ZONE

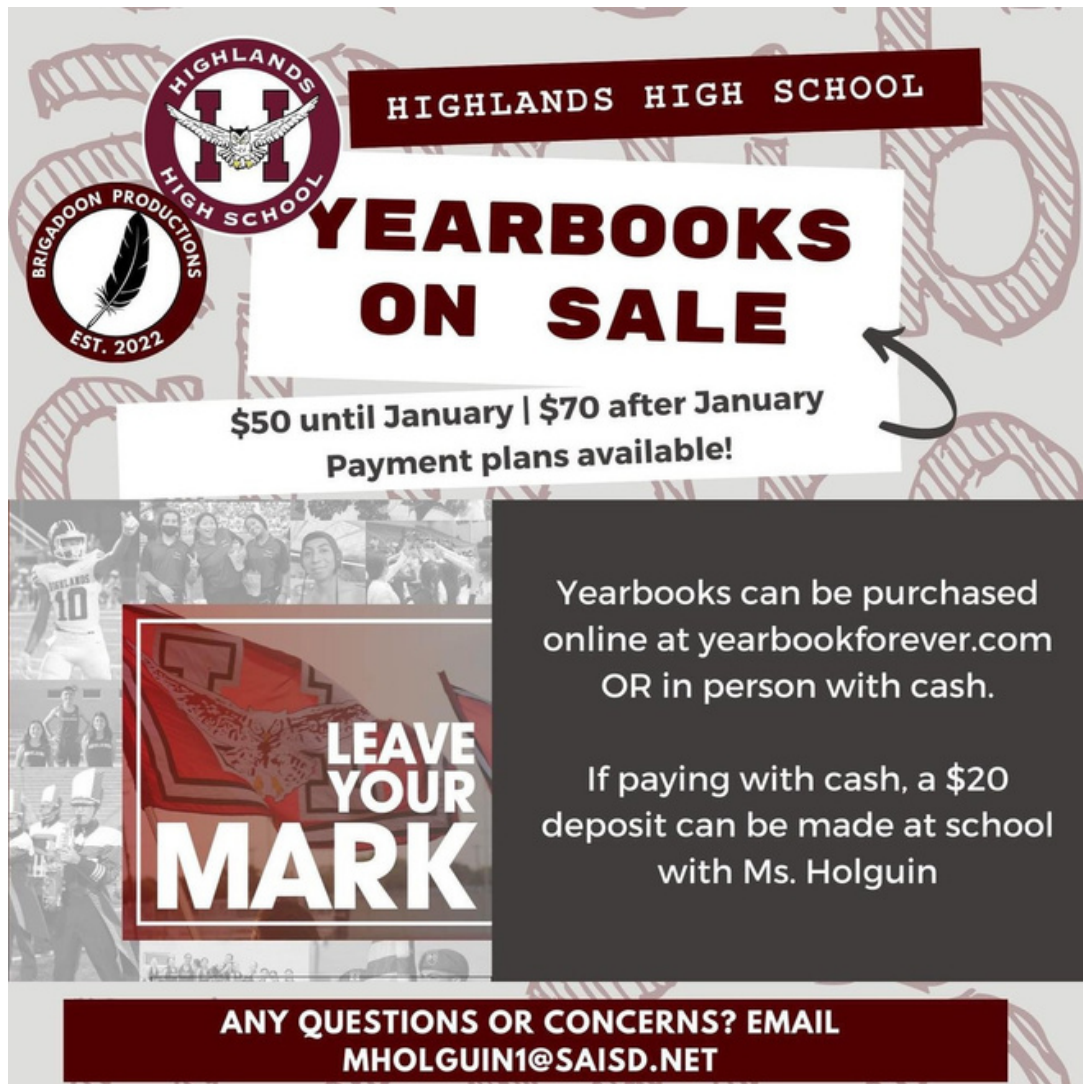
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Counselors will continue to visit with students to select their courses for next school year (2023-2024) From January 30th through February 17th

Highlands Yearbook



The advertisement features a dark red background with faint sketches of a football helmet and a basketball. In the top left, there are two circular logos: one for Highlands High School with a stylized 'H' and an eagle, and another for Brigadoon Productions with a feather and 'EST. 2022'. A dark red banner at the top right reads 'HIGHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL'. Below it, a white box contains the text 'YEARBOOKS ON SALE' in large, bold, dark red letters. Underneath this, a white box states '\$50 until January | \$70 after January' and 'Payment plans available!'. A curved arrow points from this box towards the right. On the left side, there is a collage of photos showing students and a football player. A red banner with white text reads 'LEAVE YOUR MARK'. On the right side, a dark grey box contains white text: 'Yearbooks can be purchased online at yearbookforever.com OR in person with cash.' and 'If paying with cash, a \$20 deposit can be made at school with Ms. Holguin'. At the bottom, a dark red banner with white text reads 'ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? EMAIL MHOLGUIN1@SAISD.NET'.

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*Yearbooks sales have gone up to \$70.00
Do you have any questions or concerns?*

*Contact Ms. Holguin
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Senior Assembly Information



HIGHLANDS CLASS OF 2023

IMPORTANT DATES:

- JANUARY 25, 2023—CLASS OF 2023 ORDER DAY DURING ALL LUNCHESES
- JANUARY 27, 2023—DEADLINE TO SUBMIT SEAT TIME FOR FALL SEMESTER
 - FEBRUARY 1, 2023—GRADUATION ORDER DEADLINE
- MARCH 29, 2023— SENIOR PANORAMIC PICTURE DAY
- APRIL 27, 2023—GRADUATION ORDER DELIVERY DAY DURING LUNCHESES IN THE CAFETERIA.
- MAY 20, 2023—7PM PROM AT THE EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON SAN ANTONIO BROOKS HOTEL & SPA
 - MAY 26, 2023—9:30AM GRADUATION REHEARSAL
- MAY 31, 2023—9:30AM 2ND GRADUATION REHEARSAL & SENIOR SUNSET IN THE EVENING
 - JUNE 5, 2023—8PM GRADUATION CEREMONY

Go Center Checklist

for the Class of 2023

- Create ApplyTexas profile
- Apply to at least 1 college/univ.
- Update Schoolinks College Apps
- Complete Alamo Promise form
- Complete SAEP Scholarship form
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- Make plans for meningitis vaccine

Cap and Gown

If you missed Jostens on campus, you may order at the Josten's website.

Click here



Senior Assembly Information



SAISD Class of 2023 Graduation Events

Highlands High School 2023 Graduation Ceremony is fast approaching. Make sure that your child is on campus during the following dates.

Graduation Rehearsals (seniors only)

Friday, May 26 @ 9:30 am

Wednesday, May 31 @ 9:30 am

Highlands High School will hold the Class of 2023 on Monday, June 5, @ 8 pm Alamo Stadium.

Two Way Communication

I would encourage parents/guardians to contact me msantana3@saisd.net directly to share ways to improve our bulletin. We will communicate weekly via school messenger (parent email), HHS Facebook, HHS webpage, and HHS Instagram. Please let us know if you are still waiting to receive this correspondence at 210-438-6800.