



HIGHLANDS OWL NEWS

HOME OF THE MIGHTY OWLS-STAKEHOLDER BULLETIN

February 27, 2023

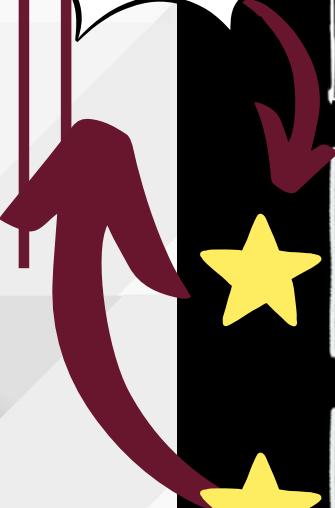


Parents and Guardians: Starting Monday, February 27, 2023, for campus safety and security, we require students to wear their school ID Badges daily. TELPAS Testing continues this week; on March 1, our juniors will be administered the SAT. Please remind your scholar to bring their **charged Chromebooks** daily since we are limited in how many we can lend. This is a friendly reminder that **parking, pick-up, and drop-off will change after spring break.** Refer to the February 13 "Owls News Stakeholder Bulletin." Thank you in advance for your continual support to help our school succeed. As always, we look forward to continuing to serve our Highland Owl families. Go Mighty Owls!

Respectfully,
Dr. Penny Pruitt
Highlands High School Principal

this week

UPCOMING TESTING DATES



**FEB.
21**

*TELPAS/TELPAS ALT
FEB 21-MAR. 10*

**MAR.
1**

*SAT
IITH GRADE*

**MAR.
7**

*ACT
IITH GRADE*

**MAR.
22**

*SAT MAKEUP
IITH GRADE*

*students must bring school issued
charged laptops*



“It’s important to shed light on our culture, especially in a society where we are losing our culture. We decided to celebrate student voices by building connections instead of walls. I’m a very persistent person. If I want to get something done, it’s getting done,”

NALANIYA WILSON

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



A graphic for SAISD Familia Stories. At the top is the SAISD logo. Below it, the text "SAISD FAMILIA STORIES" is written in a blue speech bubble. Underneath, a smaller speech bubble contains the text "Historias de la familia de SAISD". A photo of Nalaniya Wilson is cut out and placed on the graphic; she is smiling and making a heart shape with her hands. She is wearing a black t-shirt with a white fist logo and the text "BLACK STUDENT UNION". Below the photo, a blue box contains her name "Nalaniya Wilson" and a white box contains "Senior | Highlands High School". The background of the graphic is yellow with a blue and white target-like pattern.

[Click Here to read more about one of Highland's Top-ranked Senior's persistence was the catalyst to organizing our Black Student Council.](#)



BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH



Our Student Black Council presented Highland's first Annual "Black History Month Celebration" this past Friday. Nalaniya, your persistence, and determination have created an opportunity to keep your culture alive at Highlands. Congratulations on your efforts. The Black Student Council meets every other Wednesday from 4.15 PM - 5.15 PM in Mr. Broil's classroom. Next meeting March 1st.



Highlands Proud

Student Council members participated in the Alamo Association of Student Council Leadership workshop over the weekend at Marshall High School.

THANK YOU MS. MURILLO FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND CONTINUAL SUPPORT OF OUR STUDENTS AT HIGHLANDS.



Student Council



Highlands Theatre

Thank you, Ms. Smith, for your passion for the arts. "True stars rise to the top not by chance but through purpose and passion." Providing our students at Highland's an opportunity to participate and their constant exposure ensures they are provided opportunities to excel with purpose.
—Theatre Clinic at Southside High School.



Acting is a sport. On stage you must be ready to move like a tennis player on his toes. Your concentration must be keen, your reflexes sharp: your body and mind are in top gear, the chase is on. Acting is energy. In the theatre people pay to see energy. -Clive Swift



Athletic Schedule



VARSITY BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Highlands (H) **VS** Sam Houston
[Tues. Feb. 28, 2023 | 7 PM]

Kennedy ISD Tournament
[Thurs. Mar. 2 | TBA]
[Fri. Mar. 3 | TBA]
[Sat. Mar. 4 | TBA]

Edison **VS** Highlands
[Tues. Mar. 7, 2023 | 4.30PM]

Tues. Feb. 28 @ Diz Reeves Diamond #2
Thurs. Mar. 2 - 4 Kennedy ISD Tournament @ Kennedy Texas
Tues. Mar. 7 @ Diz Reeves Diamond #2



VARSITY SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Edison **VS** Highlands (H)
[Wed. Mar. 1, 2023 | 7.15 PM]

Highlands (H) **VS** Jefferson
[Fri. Mar. 3, 2023 | 7.15 PM]

Lanier **VS** Highlands
[Tues. Mar. 7, 2023 | 7.15 PM]

Wed. Mar. 1 @ MVSC #1 SAISD Sports Complex
Fri. Mar. 3 @ MVSC #3 SAISD Sports Complex
Tues. Mar. 7 @ MVSC #3 SAISD Sports Complex



BOY'S VARSITY SOCCER SCHEDULE

Highlands (H) **VS** Lenier
[Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2023 | 7.30 PM]

Burbank **VS** Highlands (H)
[Friday, Mar. 3, 2023 | 5 PM]

Alamo Heights **VS** Highlands
[Tues. Mar. 7, 2023 | 7.30 PM]

Feb. 28 & Mar. 3 @ Sports Complex Field #2
Mar. 7 @ Alamo Heights HS

GIRL'S VARSITY SOCCER SCHEDULE

Highlands (H) **VS** Lenier
[Tues. Feb. 28, 2023 | 5.30 PM]

Burbank **VS** Highlands
[Fri. Mar. 3, 2023 | 5 PM]

Alamo Heights **VS** Highlands
[Fri. Mar. 7, 2023 | 5.30 PM]

Feb. 28 @ Sports Complex Field #2
Mar. 3 @ Sports Complex Field #1
Mar. 7 @ Alamo Heights

BOY'S & GIRL'S TRACK SCHEDULE

[Thurs. Mar. 2. 2023 | 4.30 PM]

@ Steele





SATURDAY SCHOOL

8 am - 12 pm

UPCOMING DATES

Bring a charged laptop and your seat time log.

February 25th

 *March 25th*

April 1st

April 15th

April 22nd

May 13th





11TH GRADE PARENT FORUM UPCOMING DATE

March 25th

Parent Forum 9-12 pm

a) If a student **fails to attend school without excuse on 10 or more days** or parts of days within a six-month period in the same school year, **a school district shall within 10 school days of the student's 10th absence refer the student to a truancy court for truant conduct under Section 65.003 (Truant Conduct)(a), Family Code.**

(b) If a student **fails to attend school without excuse** as specified by Subsection (a), **a school district may file a complaint against the student's parent in a county, justice, or municipal court for an offense** under *Section 25.093 (Parent Contributing to Nonattendance)* if the school district provides evidence of the parent's criminal negligence. In this subsection, "parent" includes a person standing in parental relation. *Sec. 25.0951*

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FEEDBACK!



Parents

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

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QUEREMOS

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COMENTARIOS

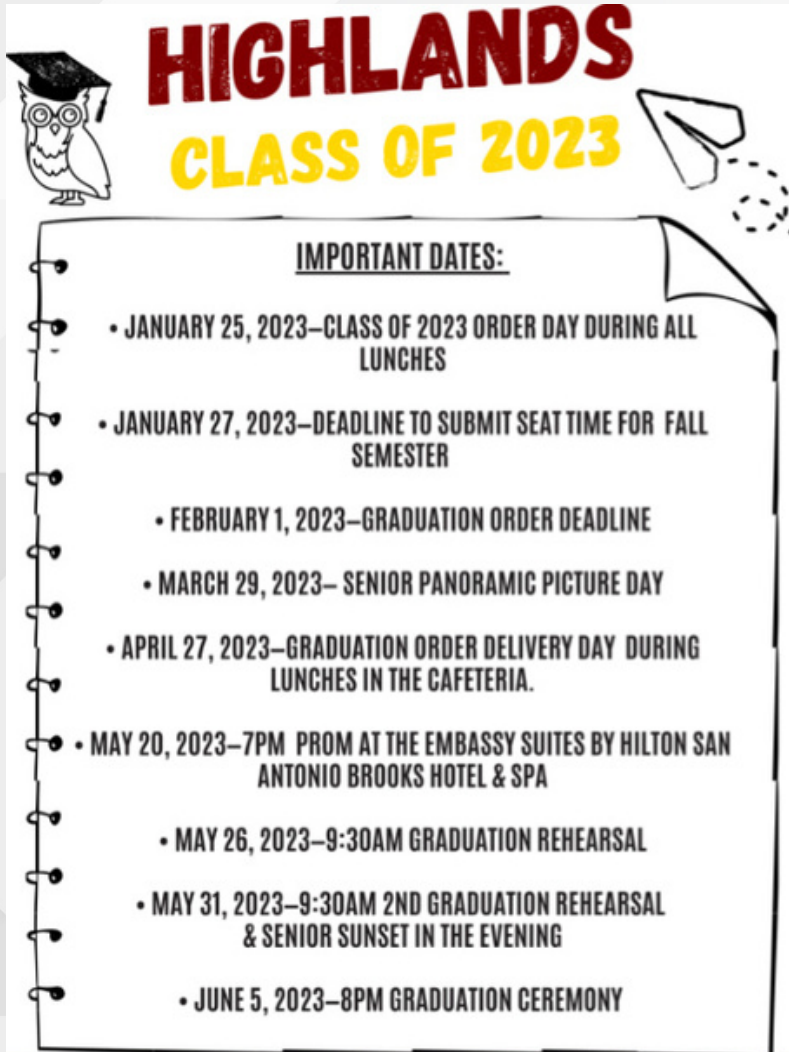


Evaluación

QUÉ APOYO NECESITAN LOS PADRES?

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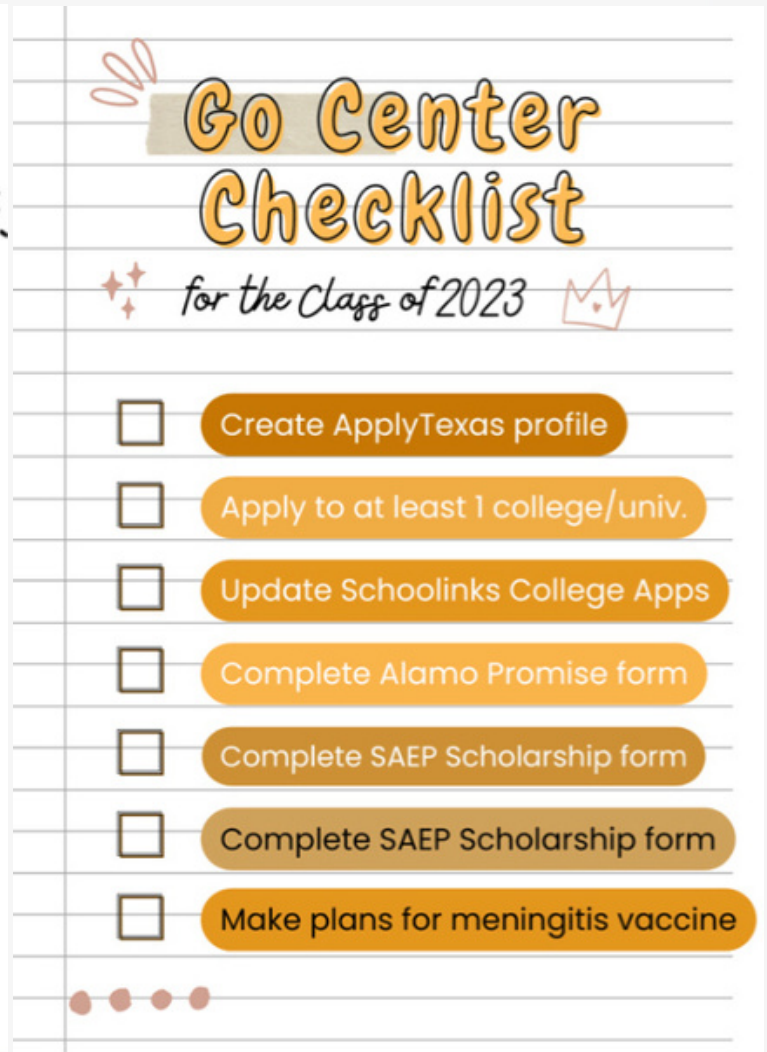
Senior Assembly Information



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.


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Counselor's Corner

THE COUNSELOR'S ZONE

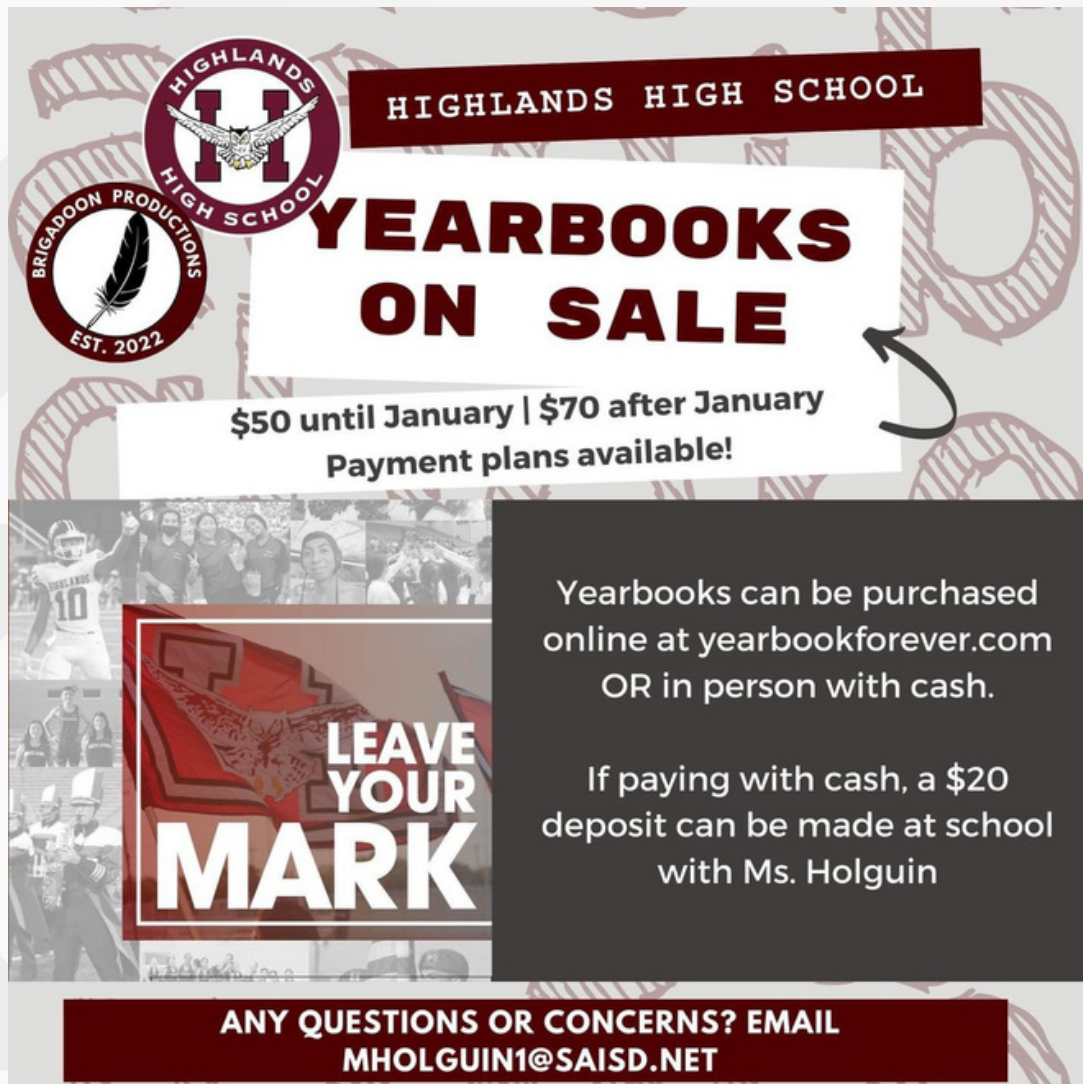
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Counselors will continue to visit with students to select their courses for the "2023-2024" school year. January 30th through February 22nd.

Highlands Yearbook



The poster features the Highlands High School logo (a stylized 'H' with an eagle) and the Brigadoon Productions logo (a feather) in the top left. A dark red banner at the top right reads 'HIGHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL'. The main text 'YEARBOOKS ON SALE' is in large, bold, dark red letters. Below this, a white box contains the pricing: '\$50 until January | \$70 after January' and 'Payment plans available!'. A black box on the right side contains the purchase information: 'Yearbooks can be purchased online at yearbookforever.com OR in person with cash. If paying with cash, a \$20 deposit can be made at school with Ms. Holguin'. At the bottom, a dark red banner reads 'ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? EMAIL MHOLGUIN1@SAISD.NET'. The background of the poster is a collage of school photos and a red banner that says 'LEAVE YOUR MARK'.

HIGHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

YEARBOOKS ON SALE

\$50 until January | \$70 after January
Payment plans available!

Yearbooks can be purchased online at yearbookforever.com OR in person with cash.

If paying with cash, a \$20 deposit can be made at school with Ms. Holguin

**ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? EMAIL
MHOLGUIN1@SAISD.NET**

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

*Contact Ms. Holguin
mholguin1@saisd.net*

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.

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.

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