



**YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**  
 SAN ANTONIO ISD  
*College Preparatory, Leadership Development, Health and Wellness*  
**2123 W. Huisache Avenue**  
**210-438-6525**



## YWLA Science Fair

Saturday, December 2, 2017  
 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

## Class of 2020

Parent Meeting  
 December 6, 2017  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 Library

## Mandatory Engineering Night School



Monday, December 4, 2017  
 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Room 135

# Field Trips

Holiday Laser Show

December 4, 2017

11:00 am - 1:15 pm

HS "A" Honor Roll Students

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Ropes Course

December 5, 2017

8:30 am - 6:30 pm

6th grade students

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McNay Art Museum

December 5, 2017

8:30 am - 1:30 pm

7th/8th grade Art students

## Class of 2021

Parent Meeting  
 December 8, 2017  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 YWLA Library

## Senior Class of 2018

Parent Meeting  
 December 18, 2017  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 YWLA Library

## YWLA Barnes and Noble Book Fair

Come join us for our Annual YWLA  
 Barnes and Noble Book Fair  
 Sunday, December 10, 2017 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Barnes and Noble - San Pedro Crossing  
 321 NW Loop 410 #104 San Antonio, TX. 78216

**\*\*For online shopping use code: 12233052\*\***  
 Proceeds of your purchases will go to our school.

Performances will be scheduled throughout the day  
 from some of our wonderful YWLA students.

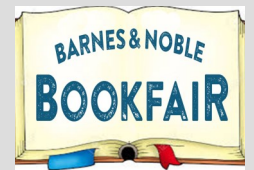
Middle School Drama: 12:00 pm

Dance: 1:00 pm

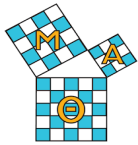
Poet's Society: 2:00 pm

High School Drama: 2:30 pm

Choir: 3:00 pm



## Mu Alpha Theta Math Night



December 7, 2017  
 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
 YWLA Cafeteria

Mu Alpha Theta members will be available to help any student  
 needing help with their math homework. Snacks provided.

## Class of 2022

Dinner  
 December 13, 2017  
 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
 YWLA Cafeteria

## Posadas by PRESA

December 19, 2017  
 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
 YWLA Cafeteria

## Mu Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony

Monday, December 11, 2017  
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
 YWLA Auditorium



## Winter Lock-In

Thursday, December 21, 2017  
 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Gym A  
 Tickets: \$10.00/person

Ticket price includes: admission, pizza and a drink, music,  
 movies, games, fun . Enjoy some winter shopping time while we  
 watch the kids Open to all YWLA students and siblings  
 (no children under 5 years old)



## YWLA Parent Passport 2017-2018

A minimum of 10 parent volunteer hours per  
 academic year, 1 hour per month or donations  
 equivalent to 10 hours (\$10.00 = 1 hr.)

Parents are to complete at least 5 hrs./semester  
 The deadline for 1st semester hours is due

**Friday, December 15, 2017.**

**Please submit to the front office.**

Parents will be given a 2nd semester passport to  
 be completed and submitted by April 27, 2018.

Please contact Mr. D. Hinojosa if you have any  
 questions about your parent hours.

[dhinojosa1@saisd.net](mailto:dhinojosa1@saisd.net)  
 (210) 438-6525 ext: 72313

**QuestBridge:** A trio of our very own YWLA Seniors are among  
 the few high school students nationwide who are being considered for  
 a full, four-year scholarship to highly competitive colleges. Being  
 selected as a QuestBridge Finalist is a huge honor and it allows the  
 students to apply Early Decision to multiple Ivy League and highly com-  
 petitive universities.  
 This year's finalists are  
 Alexis A., Veronica B.,  
 and Ruby P.



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## Counselor Notes

Ashley Cash    acash1@saisd.net    (210) 438-6525 ext:72309 - HS  
Angeles Coss    acoss1@saisd.net    (210) 438-6525 ext:72302 - MS

### 2016-2017 Course Slips

Even though the first semester is still underway, we are already beginning to plan our course offerings for next school year. Ms. Coss and I will be visiting with students during the first full week of December in order to review the course slips for their grade level. Please keep an eye out for these forms because they do require a parent signature. I encourage you to have a conversation with your child about their goals for next school year and the reality of what they can manage in their schedule. For example, if you know your child needs to have a study hall class in order to stay on top of homework and manage all of the extracurricular demands on her time, make sure she chooses "Academic Mentoring" as one of her course options. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you have about scheduling or graduation credits.

### 8th Grade Parent/Student Advisement Conferences

Conferences have already begun for 8th graders and their parents. If you have not scheduled a conference with our office, please email Ms. Coss at [acoss1@saisd.net](mailto:acoss1@saisd.net) as soon as possible so that we can get you on the calendar. During the conference, we will review your child's career interest inventory results, look at 4-year high school plan options, choose a high school endorsement (pathway), and complete the choice slip for incoming 9th graders! Conference times are available throughout the day, and an evening option is available as well.

### Middle School Applications for UTSA PREP Program

Each year, our middle school students complete applications to participate in the UTSA PREP (Prefreshman Engineering Program) program. We have found that students who do participate in PREP start the school year with a solid foundation of skills and content for the school year ahead. PREP is a mathematics-based, academic enrichment program that emphasizes the development of abstract reasoning and problem solving skills. The program helps students prepare for careers in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The PREP program takes place on various college campuses within San Antonio and runs Monday through Thursday, from mid-June to late July.

PREP is currently undergoing changes with regard to their application process and participation fees, so we will not begin rolling out the application until we hear back from them regarding the changes. PREP 2, 3, and 4 participants will be contacted directly by UTSA.

## YWLA College Center News

Vanessa Lora    (210) 438-6525 ext: 72332  
[vescobedo3@saisd.net](mailto:vescobedo3@saisd.net)

**Senior College Applications:** The Class of 2018 is doing an outstanding job with applications! This group of 42 seniors is almost done submitting over 422 applications to 122 universities across the United States. We won't hear back from some of the universities until Early Spring of 2018, but several of our students have already been accepted to the following universities: **Baylor University, St. Mary's University, Concordia University, Sam Houston State University, University of the Incarnate Word, University of North Texas, St. Edward's University, Our Lady of the Lake University, Texas Tech University, Texas State University, University of Houston-Victoria, Stephen F. Austin State University, University of Houston, Whittier College, and DePaul University.**

We are excited to hear the acceptances as they start to trickle in. Please remind your daughters to bring in their acceptance and scholarship letters!

**Dell Scholarship:** Seniors, make sure to apply for the Dell Scholarship if you qualify. This is a \$20,000 Scholarship. Deadline is January 15th. <https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/how-to-apply/>

**Senior Parent Reminder:** Please make sure your daughter has her Meningitis Vaccine up to date so she is allowed to register for college classes.

**Junior Parents:** Friendly Reminder that your daughter is taking the SAT Test this Saturday, December 2nd. Please make sure that she has her admissions ticket along with a photo ID. Please show up early by 7:15 am to the testing site (locations vary). We wish you luck!

**Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman Parents:** It is never too early to start preparing for the SAT. Your daughter can utilize resources such as an SAT Study Guide or Khan Academy for SAT tutorials. The Khan Academy website is: [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

**Upcoming College Visits:** Texas State University: Wednesday Dec. 6th at 11:30am



### *Class of 2019 Spaghetti Dinner*



Thursday, December 14, 2017 4:00 pm - 6:00pm  
YWLA Cafeteria Tickets: \$7.00/person  
Ticket price includes salad and garlic bread  
Drinks and Desserts will be available for purchase

### Class of 2020

Parent Meeting  
January 10, 2018  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
YWLA Library



### DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

PREP Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

This must be returned to your Prep teacher by 12/6/17 for a grade. If it is not returned, you will receive a grade of 50.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## SAISD Spanish Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all our YWLA Spanish Spelling Bee participants

### Middle School:

Paola J., Isabela R., Ruth V.

Isabela and Ruth placed in the top 10 students in the district. Paola earned 1st place and will represent SAISD in the Middle School Region competition in February.



### High School:

Maria G., Alizon C., Karla H.

Karla earned 7th place, Alizon 3rd place and Maria 1st place. Maria will represent SAISD in the High School Region competition.

Way to go Ladies!



## History Fair

**SAISD History Fair**  
Saturday, December 16, 2017  
Burnett Center

Middle School and High School students will be representing YWLA at the district level in the following categories:  
**Websites, Papers, Documentaries, Exhibits.**



### Class of 2023

### Upside Down Breakfast for Dinner

December 20, 2017  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
YWLA Cafeteria

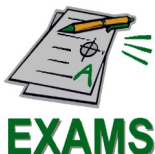


### Ugly Sweater Day

Thursday, December 21, 2017  
Students may wear holiday sweaters with uniform pants, shorts or skirt.

### Semester Exams

Semester Exams credit for 15% of your daughters semester grade. Please ensure she is reviewing her study guides, attending tutoring, and using her interactive workbook to prepare for these exams



### 1st Semester Exams - Amended Schedules

Date	Exam by Period
Monday, December 18, 2017	1st, 2nd, 4th
Tuesday, December 19, 2017	5th, 6th, 7th
Wednesday, December 20, 2017	8th, 9th

### Lunch Time

Parents will not be allowed to join their daughters for lunch on semester exam days.

### YWLA Admissions for enrollment in 2018-2019 - grades 6th - 9th

Applications will be available November 27, 2017 - January 31, 2018.  
**All applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm January 31, 2018**

Do you know a student that would thrive here at YWLA? As YWLA parents and students you are our greatest resource when it comes to getting the word out about our Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School. Our applications for the 2018-19 academic year will be available soon on our website under the admissions tab. Interested families are encouraged to check our website regularly for updates. Tours available on Mondays by appointment only. Please contact us for more information or to set up your tour. (210) 435-6425. Applicant and parent expectations: attend one informational session at YWLA. If you would like to drop off your application in person with all required forms, please bring your application to the front office. Office hours: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm.

### Informational Sessions:

- Informational Session #4 - Monday, December 4, 2017 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Informational Session #5 - Thursday, December 7, 2017 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Spanish)
- Informational Session #6 - Wednesday, December 20, 2017 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Informational Session #7 - Wednesday, January 17, 2018 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Important admission information, expectations and application due dates will be provided during these informational sessions.**



## Winter Break Assignments

In preparation for AP and STAAR exams, students will be given assignments that need to be completed during the winter break. Parents please help your daughters with their time management so that they may enjoy their winter break and still complete their assignments.



### Holidays - No School

December 22 - January 5 - Winter Break  
January 8 - Teacher Work Day

### 6th Grade Math Night School

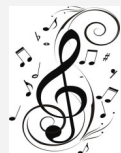
Thursday, January 11, 2018  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Dress for Success HS students only  6th grade Choir Movie/Game Night 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm Choir Room  HS BB Tournament Edgewood Gym	2 YWLA Science Fair 8:00 am  MS Soccer vs Lowell @ YWLA 10am  HS BB Tournament Edgewood Gym
3	4 HS "A" Honor Roll Field trip  <b>Mandatory</b> Engineering Night School 4:00pm Rm: 135  Admissions Parent Informational Session 6:00pm Auditorium	5 6th gr Field Trip Ropes Course 8:30 am  7th/8th Art Field Trip McNay 8:30 am  HS BB vs. Kipp JV: 5:30pm Varsity: 7:00 pm  Progress Reports	6 Science Fair Awards 11:30 am Auditorium  Texas State Univ. 11:30 am College Ctr.  Class of 2020 Parent Meeting 6:00 pm YWLA Library	7 Admissions Parent Informational Session 6:00pm YWLA Auditorium Conducted in Spanish  Mu Alpha Theta Math Night 4pm  HS BB Tournament Poteet High School  MS Soccer Tournament	8 HS BB Tournament Poteet High School  MS Soccer Tournament  Class of 2021 Parent Meeting 6pm YWLA Library	9 HS BB Tournament Poteet High School  MS Soccer Tournament
10 YWLA Barnes & Noble Book Fair 12:00pm - 3:00 pm	11 Mu Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony 6:00pm Auditorium  Irma's Angels	12 HS BB vs. Center Point JV: 5:00 pm Varsity: 6:30 pm  Irma's Angels	13 Class of 2022 Dinner 4:30pm  Middle School Winter Choir Concert 6:00 pm Auditorium  Irma's Angels	14 Winter Dance Show 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Auditorium  Class of 2019 Spaghetti Dinner 4pm YWLA Cafeteria  Irma's Angels	15 Madrigal Dinner Show 6:00 pm Cafeteria and Auditorium  <b>Parent Passport Due</b> HS BB vs Providence JV: 5:00 pm Varsity: 6:30 pm  Irma's Angels	16 SAISD History Fair  MS Region Choir Clinic/Concert 8:00 am Highlands HS
17	18 Semester Exams 1st, 2nd, 4th	19 Semester Exams 5th, 6th, 7th  Posadas by PRESA 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm YWLA Cafeteria	20 Semester Exams 8th, 9th, 3rd  Class of 2023 Upside Down Break- fast for Dimmer 5pm  Admissions Parent Informational Session 6:00pm Auditorium conducted in Spanish	21 Ugly Sweater Day  Winter Lock In 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Gym A  HS BB vs Memorial JV: 5:00 pm Varsity: 6:30 pm	22 Holiday Winter Break	23
24	25 	26	27	28 HS BB tournament Comfort ISD	29 HS BB tournament Comfort ISD	30 HS BB tournament Comfort ISD
<b>Winter Break</b>						
31	1 	2 HS BB vs Brooks JV: 9:00am @ ACC Varsity: 10:30 am  <b>Winter Break</b>	3	4	5 HS BB vs Comfort 9:00 am - 11:30 am @ ACC  <b>Winter Break</b>	6
7	8 Teacher Work Day  Student Holiday	9 <b>Start of 3rd 9 weeks</b>  HS BB vs St. Anthony's 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm @ Lanier HS	10 Class of 2020 Parent Meeting 6:00 pm YWLA Library  Report Cards	11 6th Grade Math Night School 4:00 pm	12 Dress for Success HS students only  HS BB vs Fox Tech 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm	13 HS Area Choir Auditions 8am Rockport  MS BB vs Irving 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm  MS CC Meet 8am - 10am Olmos park

\*Calendar dates are subject to change

### Middle School Winter Choir Concert

Wednesday, December 13, 2017  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Doors open at 5:30 pm  
YWLA Auditorium  
Carnations available  
for purchase



### Winter Dance Show

December 14, 2017  
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
YWLA Auditorium  
Admission: Adults - \$5.00  
Students - \$1.00  
Concession Available



### High School Madrigal Dinner and Show

Friday, December 15, 2017  
6:00 pm  
YWLA Cafeteria and Auditori-  
um  
Tickets: \$10.00 for Dinner and Show  
Carnations available for purchase

