



The Westchester Wildchatter

CALENDAR UPDATES

The school year has been extended until **June 4th** to make up for the day we lost due to the flooding, and a few adjustments (*) were made to the schedule:

May	20	AP Government Exam— <u>New Date</u> (*)
	4-21	IB Exams
	22-29	Senior Final Exams—No change
	25	Memorial Day Holiday
	27-29	Dead Week (*)
	27-29	Grades 6 & 7; Science District Assessments (testing windows through 6/4)
	27	Senior Cap and Gown Day
	29	Senior Graduation Practice—10-12 & 8th Grade Graduation and Dance
June	1	Senior Graduation Practice—1 pm
	1-4	Final Exams for Grades 6-11—To see exam schedule go to WAISPTA.org (*)
	2-4	<u>Early Dismissal -12:30</u> (*)
	2	Senior Graduation—7 pm at Don Coleman Coliseum
	3	Senior Breakfast—8:30 am—Library
	4	Last Day of School / End of 6th Six Weeks (*)
	11	Mail Final Report Card & Final Exams Make-ups—8 am

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- Register to receive the e-newsletter at

WWW.WAISPTA.ORG

- Hardcopies will be available at the 3 school offices (713) 251-1800
- Mail your articles to sophiehaci@hotmail.com

Don't Forget!

- **Choir Spring Concert**
May 21 at 7 pm
- **Summer Broadway Camp**
June 22-26
Register by June 3rd

Lacrosse

The Stratford Westchester Lacrosse Club is wrapping up a great season.

We would like to thank Westchester Academy for their support and use of the fields and a very special thanks to Dr. Natalie Blasingame, who has been very supportive of our boys and cheered us on at several games. For more information on our club, please visit our website at

www.swlclacrosse.com

Board of Trustees Election Results

- On May 9th, both incumbent Trustees won third terms in office. Kellner was re-elected to Trustee Position 4 with 881 votes. She serves currently as SBISD Board of Trustees president. Write-in candidate Kate Given received 10 votes. Kosmoski was re-elected to Board of Trustee Position 3 with 700 votes.
- Results of the May 9 election will be canvassed and then certified during a special Board of Trustees meeting later this month. The seven members of the SBISD Board of Trustees are selected at-large to serve overlapping three-year terms. They serve without pay.

Westchester Class of 2008 Makes a Difference

They may have graduated but their presence lives on!

This month, the Class of 2008 made **three substantial contributions to our school**.

- The **new IB sign** to let everyone know of our unique status in the community. The sign of the official IB logo was installed on the front of the building, just below our school name.
- **Three \$1000 scholarships for the Class of 2009** via the Westchester Alumni Association.
- **Five commercial grade trash receptacles** with domed lids to be placed around campus at the discretion of Miss Debbie.

Thank you, Class of 2008! We appreciate your giving back to Westchester with these generous gifts!!

Encore

Performance

for upper school is **Friday, May 22, 12:40-1:20.**

Top contestants from the upper school WAIS Talent Show will be performing during lunch at school!

Parents are welcome.

Tickets are \$5 .

Admission Information for ...

- Brown University, University of Chicago, Columbia University, Cornell University, Rice University
- **YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND**, and **BRING PROOF OF REGISTRATION.**
- TWO Houston sessions at:
The Westin Oaks Houston
5011 Westheimer Road at Post Oak 77056
Sunday, May 31
Session I – 2:00 pm
Session II – 7:30 pm
Register online:
www.exploringeducationalexcellence.org

International Festival Contest

On behalf of the PTA these students are recognized for their achievement and participation in the **International Festival Passport Contest 2009.**

The PTA is very pleased to have been able to offer a certificate of achievement and a small token of appreciation in the form of yearlong membership to the National Geographic (1st), a desktop world globe (2nd) and a large world map (3rd).

All three recipients were honored during the award ceremonies for Upper and Middle School.

First Place: Greggory Miller - 9th Grade- Ms. Waltman

Second Place: Ana Arzate - 8th Grade - Mr. Ziegenbein

Third Place: Steven Krueger - 7th Grade - Ms. Cousins

PTA Life Time Members

Congratulations to our teacher PTA Life Time Member Award Winners.

They were nominated by their peers.

Mr Anthony Kimmons: he teaches all level art and IB Visual Art. He is always available to his students and very supportive of their efforts.

Ms. Diane Nizza: She teaches all levels Italian and IB Italian. She has also been involved with PTA for many years with her own children and has graciously found time for WAIS PTA community activities.

Mr Stephen Shearer: He teaches English I, English IV, AP English, IB English and Theory of Knowledge. He is also the Westchester IB co-ordinator and is the current Teacher of the year. He works tirelessly with all of his students to reach their potential.

And we have **one parent Honoree:**

Dee O'Canas: Dee is a mother of 2 daughters at Wais. She is a dedicated supporter of the Silver Starz Dance Team. For the last 2 years she has been the Treasurer of WAIS PTA and a huge help to me.

Thank you to all of our PTA Life Time Members. You are what make Westchester a wonderful place for our Children.

Jane Harris - WAIS PTA President 2007-2009

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