



CONROE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Academy of Science and Technology
 The Woodlands College Park High School



Newsclippings

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Date	Event
12/12	PAST Board Meeting
12/13	4th Period Exam
12/14	1 st and 2 nd Period Exams
12/15	AST Donut Day 3 rd and 5 th Period Exams Alumni Reception
12/16	6 th and 7 th Period Exams
12/17	Winter Break
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½	Student Holiday

Dear Academy Parents and Students:

The end of the semester is approaching quickly. Please note the exam schedule and that Wednesday (December 14) through Friday (December 16) are Early Dismissal for our students.

Remember to pause and be thankful for the good things in your life and for the challenges that allow us to grow!

Dr. Caffery

Opportunities

Annual Alumni Reception

Academy students and staff are invited to the Annual Academy Alumni Reception where they can meet with our alumni. It is an opportunity to catch up with former students and to learn about their college, graduate or work experience. The reception is **Thursday December 15 from 11:30 am – 1 p.m.** in TWCP LGI. Come and enjoy fellowship, pizza and cookies.



Walking Tours of the Architecture Center of Houston

The **Architecture Center of Houston** offers walking tours of notable places in Houston. This Saturday November 5 the center offers the Texas Medical Center Walking Tour at 10 a.m.

The Texas Medical Center is the largest medical center in the world with over 33.8 million square feet of patient care, education and research space. Sites on the tour include Baylor College of Medicine, the new Texas Children's Hospital Maternity Center, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Methodist Research Center, and a short ride on Houston's Metro Rail. For more information go to <https://aiahouston.org/>. Other walking tours include:

- Dec 3 Third Ward Bicycle Tour
- Dec 10 Towers and Trees Downtown Walking Tour

Tours require registration and a fee of \$10 is charged. Students may earn exploration credit by doing one of the tours

ASU Food Drive

The ASU officers have extended the deadline for collection of food items and money. The food drive will run until Wednesday **December 7th**. Please consider donating food and/or money to benefit the Montgomery County Food Bank. The progress of each class can be seen on the thermometers on the wall near the Academy office on third floor.

Seniors –Graduates of Coulson Tough

Coulson Tough PTO offers seniors who are former Coulson Tough students the opportunity to apply for a \$1000 scholarship. Applicants must attend a two or four-year college and must in their senior year have a GPA of at least 3.0. Applications are available in the Academy office. Deadline to apply is March 2017.

Academy News

Two AST Runners Qualify for Nike National Championship

Academy seniors **Alex Topini** and **Bryce Quigley** are leading the College Park Cross Country Team to Portland, Oregon for the Nike National Championship. This is the first year in CP history the team has qualified! The team competed Saturday November 19th in the Nike South Regional Championship that included the top cross country teams from Texas, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, Louisiana and Mississippi and secured second place. On December 3 the team will compete against the top 22 teams in the nation. As a result, the team was awarded an all- expense paid trip to participate in the championship! Congratulations!!

Two Students Selected to Present at Texas Science & Humanities Symposium

Andrew Kim and Andrew Yu were selected to present their science fair projects at the Texas Junior Science and Humanities Symposium January 19-20, 2017 at Texas A&M University. The students were selected based on the abstract submitted for review. Congratulations. The TJSHS promotes original research and experimentation in the sciences, engineering, and mathematics at the high school level. It gives students the opportunity to present their

results in a professional arena. Participating students have the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas, interact with practicing researchers, and explore future academic and career opportunities.

Senior Gala Information

Attention Class of 2017 and Senior Parents

The Senior Gala for the Class of 2017 will be held **Sunday, April 30, 2017 at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel at 3:00 p.m.**

Have you submitted your baby photo yet? Use the link below to easily submit all photos of your child that will be used throughout this event.

Senior Gala Photo Submission Form Link - <http://jotform.us/form/52585378439167>

DUE DATES (You don't need to wait until the deadline... send in photos now if you have them!)

October 21, 2016 - Baby Photo (1) - PAST DUE!

January 27, 2017 - Casual Photos (5-6)

January 31, 2017 - Deadline for Senior parents to join P.A.S.T.*

March 17, 2017 - Presentation of Seniors "Formal" Photo (1)

March 17, 2017 - Change of Address

*Members of P.A.S.T. will receive discounted tickets to the Gala.

Finally, have you signed up for REMIND? Simply text the message @ast201 to the number 81010 to receive information, updates, and reminders via text message about the Senior Gala.

Academy Students Tour CHI St. Luke's The Woodlands Hospital Operating Room

Recently, more than 30 Academy students toured St. Luke's Lakeside Hospital, a collaboration between St. Luke's Health System and the area's most experienced and recognized physicians specializing in cardiovascular, sports, orthopedic and spine medicine. Students visited the Operation Room and Cardiac Catheterization laboratories.



P.A.S.T. for the Future News

Information from the Parents of Academy of Science and Technology

P.A.S.T.

Academy families can support P.A.S.T. in a variety of ways. Membership is a primary means. Other means include shopping! Shopping for things you ordinarily purchase or for gifts.

NEW! P.A.S.T. is partnering with **Whitney World Travel** to offer families the use of travel experts to book a vacation and have a portion of the commission paid to P.A.S.T. It is easy to do. When you are ready to book a vacation complete the contact form and one of the members of their team here in The Woodlands will get back in touch. For more information please visit

<https://www.whitneyworldtravel.com/academy-of-science-and-technology.html>

We have several Loyalty Programs in which you can participate. Please read below and if you can participate please do!

Kroger

Kroger asks that each card member renew their charity online after August 1 each year. Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and link your card number to charity #81773!

Amazon.com

Shop **Amazon Smile** at their charity-linked site: <http://smile.amazon.com> (use your regular Amazon sign in. The prices are the same as on Amazon.com)

Randall's

Visit any Randall's Courtesy Booth and ask for the form. Link your card to Charity #2243! Have fun and happy shopping.

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