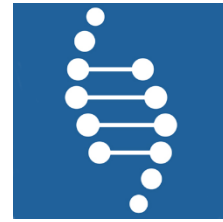




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 The Woodlands College Park High School



Newsclippings

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Date	Event
3/13-18	Spring Break
3/16-18	FIRST Lone Star South Regional
3/21	Distinguished Lecture Series
3/28	STAAR English I
3/30	STAAR English II
3/31 – 4/1	State Science & Engineering Fair
3/31 – 4/1	FIRST Lone Star North Regional

Dear Academy Parents and Students:

I hope each of you enjoys the week we have off. Please take the opportunity to renew yourself with sleep, food, family and friends.

We wish FIRST Robotics the best at the Lone Star South Regional!
 Dr. Caffery

Opportunities

Tutors Needed at Armstrong Elementary

Academy sophomore, Saira Coye-Huhn, has been instrumental in beginning a tutoring program at Armstrong Elementary. Tutors are still needed as follows:

Tuesdays

1st-4th grade students 3:30 – 4:30 pm

If interested in volunteering, please contact CP UNICEF, Saira Coye-Huhn (832-773-4474). Transportation is provided.

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There are two lectures remaining in our Spring Distinguished Lecture Series. Lectures are informative and open to students, parents and guests. Lectures begin at 6 pm in the LGI.

- March 21 **Gordon Sterling, BA Sc., MSCE, D.OE.** *The Role of Naval Architects and Civil Engineers in the Worldwide Development of Deepwater Offshore Oil and Gas Fields.*
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Exploration Credits Can Be Earned with Walking Tours

The **Architecture Center of Houston (ArCH)** offers walking tours of the surrounding neighborhoods to explore architecture, design, and history of Houston's urban landscape. Each tour is led by a trained docent. Tours take place at 10 am. The following tours are offered. Reservations are encouraged. For more information go to <http://aiahouston.org>.

These tours qualify for exploration credit for students.

- March 11 Houston Heights Bicycle Tour
- March 16 Rice University Walking Tour
- March 18 Museum District Walking Tour
- March 25 UH Art & Architecture Tour
- March 30 Towers & Trees Downtown Walking Tour
- April 1 Montrose Walking Tour
- April 6 Urban Art Tour Downtown
- April 8 3rd Ward Bicycle Tour
- April 20 Buffalo Bayou Walking Tour
- April 22 Rock Building Stones: Downtown Geology & Materials Tour
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EfTA Student Internship Program (juniors only)

Each year the **Education for Tomorrow Alliance (EfTA)** offers high school juniors the opportunity to apply for internships. Academy students may take advantage of the many internships EfTA offers or they may do a self-placement. This year EfTA put the application online. Please go to www.efta-us.org for the application and for opportunities.

There are hard copies of the internship application available in the Academy office. The application is due in the Academy office by **3 pm April 7th**. Please give teachers two weeks' notice to complete the recommendation for you. **Remember, juniors must have completed the exploration requirement in order to begin an internship!**

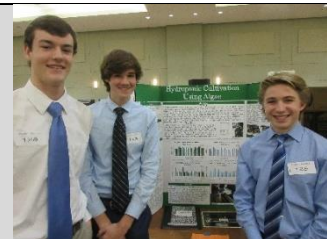
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FIRST Robotics

Our own FIRST Robotics team, **Texas Torque 1477**, competed at the Hub competition in Lubbock, TX. After 11 qualifying matches, they had a record of 10-1 and were ranked number two out of 43 robots. Texas Torque formed an alliance with Spectrum and Alpine Robotics for the finals and defeated an alliance with the Robonauts (NASA's main team) who has not lost a regional in their last 13 trips! In addition to being regional finalists, Texas Torque won the **Entrepreneurship Award**, an award that celebrates the entrepreneurial spirit and recognizes a team that has developed a comprehensive business plan that defines the team's objectives. The team's Safety Captain, Jessica Steward, also ensured the team captured safety awards. The team has received an invitation to compete in the FIRST World Championships.

Omission of Awards at SEFH

Congratulations to **Justin Foster, Dominic Beck, and Matthew Wittingham** for earning an **Honorable Mention** for their project **Hydroponic Cultivation Using Algae**. The award was not part of the list of Academy awards in the Newsletter dated March 3.



Congratulations to **Brendan Alam** who received a Special Award from the American Statistical Association for his project **A Fractal Analysis to Predict Economic Behaviors**.



National Merit Finalists

The following Academy students were identified as Semi-finalists in the NMSQT competition and have been awarded Finalist status: Kristen Bohnet, Meleah Caron, Nivva Emmi, Vidisha Ganesh, Meriel Kelly, Austin Nutt, Jake Paufler, Kaila Prochaska, Franklin Shi, Evelyn Tran, and Brunon Walczak.



Freshman Parent Social

Parents of current freshmen are invited to a Come and Go from 9 – 11 am at Another Broken Egg in the Portofino shopping center on Tuesday March 28th. This is an opportunity for you to get to know other freshman parents and learn what to expect over the next few years from our more experienced Academy parents. Be prepared to enjoy a cup of coffee, tasty food, and great conversation. We hope to see you there- Amy Long and Jenny Hunt.

Freshman Student Social

Freshman students are invited to an ice cream social on Thursday March 30th from 3:15-4:30 pm at Sub Zero Ice Cream (Kroger shopping center at the corner of 1488 and 2978). Students will be able to create their own ice cream concoction and watch while it is immediately turned into ice cream using liquid nitrogen. Check out the website at www.subzeroicecream.com. If you can help with driving students to this event please let Amy Long or Jenny Hunt know.

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

Information from the Parents of Academy of Science and Technology

Senior Gala

Attention Class of 2017 and Senior Parents

Please note that the casual pictures of your senior are due by January 27, 2017!!

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) PAST DUE!

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

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

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