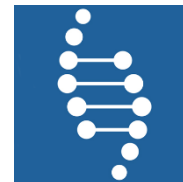




CONROE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Academy of Science and Technology
 The Woodlands College Park High School



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Date	Event
5/12	AST Underclassmen Award Ceremony
5/14-19	Intel ISEF
5/18-19	Texas FIRST UIL
5/23-27	DI Global
5/23	Incoming Freshman Parent Dessert Reception
5/25	AST General Meeting Freshman Research Symposium
5/26	AST Donut Day All students take 5 th period exam

Dear Academy Parents and Students:

Please join us for the Academy Underclassmen Award Ceremony on Friday May 12 from 1-2:30 pm in the auditorium.

As you can see we have several exciting events before the end of school! Everyone is invited to attend the Freshman Research Symposium on May 25 at 7 pm in the auditorium.

Dr. Caffery

Opportunities

Junior Class Picnic

The junior class reps have planned an **End-of-Year Picnic for the Class of 2018 on Thursday June 1 from 4:30 -7:30 pm at Shadowbend Park** (4994 Lake Woodlands Drive). Bring your Frisbees, basketballs, soccer balls, etc. for some outdoor social fun! Cookies and drinks will be provided. Each student is asked to bring \$5 to help with the cost of pizza. Please RSVP to shellymaes@gmail.com by Wednesday May 31 if you plan to attend.

Sophomore Class Picnic

The **AST Sophomore Class End-of-Year Picnic** will be on **Thursday June 1 from 4:30 – 7:30 pm** at **Terramont Park** (8500 Terramont Drivee). Bring your Frisbees, basketballs, soccer balls, etc. for some outdoor fun and games. There will be pizza, chips, cookies and drinks. The cost is \$5 per person. RSVP to lamiyahpaper@gmail.com by Monday May 29. We look forward to seeing you there!

Exploration Committee- Opportunity to Join

Kick-off Committee Meeting: Exploration Tours & Distinguished Lecture Series 2017-18 Tuesday, May 30th, 2017 from 6.00-8.00 pm at College Park High School, Library

Dear Parents of AST Students,

As the new school year approaches, planning will begin for the 2017-18 Distinguished Lecture Series (DLS) and Exploration Tours. Students in the Academy are required to earn 14 hours of Exploration credits. To facilitate completion of this requirement, a group of Academy parents (working through the PAST organization) identifies and coordinates Exploration opportunities. We are writing to ask your assistance with establishing these opportunities for the new school year. Specifically, we are asking for your help in any of the following ways:

- (i) Suggestions for guest lecturers (preferably speakers that you know well enough to approach about speaking at AST),
- (ii) Suggestions for site visits/tours (typically these occur in the afternoon following school and are places of employment of parents but we do work to arrange others as well), and
- (iii) Help transporting students to and from tours/visits once the school year begins.

We seek a balanced set of options that match the diversity of interests of our children. To accomplish this, a small group of parents known as the Explorations Committee takes your suggestions and establishes a list of potential options. We then review these with Dr. Caffery who guides the selection & scheduling process.

The meeting for the new school year will be **Tuesday, May 30th from 6.00-8.00 p.m. at the College Park High School Library.**

The meeting should take less than an hour but we will stay to address specific tour/lecture ideas afterward.

If you are planning to attend please RSVP to astexplorations@yahoo.com.

If you cannot attend but could provide input in this matter, please contact us via the same email so we can discuss your involvement in the future. As many of our committee members now have upperclassmen (who have completed their Exploration requirements), we are in need of additional volunteers to sustain our efforts. Of course you are welcome to attend the meeting without any obligation of on-going participation - you are welcome to come and have your Exploration questions answered.

Please drop us a note if you have any suggestions or would like further information about the Committee.

We would like to welcome the new chair of tours, Anders Johnson.

Sincerely,
Ila Alam, Chair (tours)
Melissa Yang, Chair (lectures)
PAST Board Member Academics/Explorations

Academy News

AST Underclassmen Awards

Students and parents and guests are invited to attend the Ninth Annual AST Underclassmen Awards on Friday May 12 from 1-2:30 pm in the auditorium.

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

Information from the Parents of Academy of Science and Technology

PAST General meeting

All parents are invited to attend the PAST General Meeting on Thursday May 25 at 5:30 p.m.

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