

WEST LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

A COLLEGE BOARD SCHOOL



Hello families!

We are extremely excited to start the new school year. To those of you new to the WLA community, welcome! We are looking forward to getting to know you. For those of you who are returning, we are excited about your continued contributions to our WLA culture and family. Below are some important dates and information. Please note there are some changes to this academic year. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns. Have a fun and safe summer. See you in August!

Important Dates:

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| August 10th & 11th | Registration at West Campus (9 am-7 pm) |
| August 24th & 25th | 6th and 9th Grade Academy (All incoming 6th and 9th graders must attend) |
| August 26th | First day of School for all WLA students |
| August 27th | Back to School Night |
| August 28th | NO SCHOOL-Teacher Planning Day |
| September 7th | Labor Day, No School |
| September 25th | NO SCHOOL- Teacher Planning Day |
| October 13th & 14th | Family/Teacher Conferences |

Daily Schedule:

7:45 am -3:15 pm - M, W, Th & F
7:45 am – 1:30 pm Tuesday
Breakfast will be served in classrooms at 7:45 am

Early Release Days:

Tuesdays will be early release days; the school day will end at 1:30 pm. The purpose of the early release day will be to allow teachers the opportunity to have ongoing professional learning communities and engage in professional development.

Uniforms:

Uniforms are required at WLA. There are several uniform options and range in price from \$5.00 - \$25.00 depending on design. Blue or black jeans, slacks, shorts and skirts are acceptable as long as they are neat and meet the length requirement. **Red** clothing or shoes is not acceptable on the West Campus.

Contact Information:

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Please call or email with any questions!

Transportation:

Buses will be provided for all Middle School Students that live West of I-25 in the boundary area. High School Students can ride the DPS buses on a space available basis, any HS Student living 3.5 miles or more away from the school will have the option of riding the DPS bus, if space is available, or receive a free RTD Pass. Discounted RTD Passes will be available to all other WLA high school students. All students outside the boundary must apply for an exception to be considered to ride the DPS bus. Phone number for transportation: 720-423-4699

Summer Reading List:

AP Lang: *Into the Wild* by Jon Krakauer

Senior English: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

AP Lit: *The Odyssey* by Homer

American Literature: *Bless Me, Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya

World Literature: *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez

Honors Intro to Lit: *A Separate Peace* by John Knowles

Intro to Lit: book of your choice

8th: *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-time Indian* by Sherman Alexi OR *Touching Spirit Bear* by Ben Mikaelson

7th: *Star Girl* by Jerry Spinelli

6th: *The Circuit* by Francisco Jimenez

School Supplies to Buy:

Pencils (3 boxes)

Pens (2 boxes)

3 ring binder (3)

Pencil case (1)

College ruled lined paper (3)

Enclosed pencil sharpener, eraser

Composition notebook (1)

Kleenex (3)

**Specific teachers and/or grade levels may require additional items in the fall.*