

Raider Digest

April 30, 2018

Rouse Vision Statement

The Rouse High School community vision is to be accountable to each other through hard work, relationships, and integrity in order to create a safe, encouraging and respectful culture that honors all student stories and fosters lifelong learning.

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RHS@RouseHS Raiders

Raider Families:

Listed below is a check-list for our Seniors to make sure you are well prepared during the Month of May leading up to your Graduation Day:

AP Exams & STAAR Testing

May 7th - 11th

May 14th - 18th

Weekly Events

PTSA Meeting May 1st

6:30pm

Library

Rouse Scholars Ceremony

May 2nd

- 9:00am - 9th Grade
- 10:30am - 10th Grade
- 11:30am - 11th Grade

Auditorium

PROM

Saturday
May 12, 2018
Renaissance Hotel, Austin
8:00pm

SENIOR AWARDS

Tuesday
May 22, 2018
RHS Comp. Gym
Student Check-in - 6:00pm
Ceremony - 6:30pm

Cap & Gown Delivery

It is not too late to order, contact Herff Jones @ 512-243-7901

Tuesday, May 22nd
Raider Alley
4pm - 6:15pm

Wednesday, May 23rd
Cafeteria
12:30pm - 2:30pm

Class of 2018 Graduation Information

- Graduation Day Information
 - **Saturday, June 9, 12:00pm, HEB Center, Cedar Park**
- Graduation Do's & Don'ts
- Graduation Day Reminders for Students and Parents
- HEB Center Information Packet

Please contact my Administrative Assistant, Diane Daycock via email @ diane.daycock@leanderisd.org or phone: 512-570-2011 if you have further questions.

We are: **#1RoUSe**

Christine Simpson
Rouse High School, Principal

Save The Date

AP Exams & STAAR Testing

May 7th - 11th &

May 14th - 18th

Teacher Appreciation Week

National Music Week

May 7th - May 11th

National School Nurse Day

May 9th

PROM

May 12th

Renaissance, Austin

8pm

Senior Awards May 22nd

6:00pm - Seniors Report

6:30pm - Ceremony begins

Competition Gym

Choir Spring Sing

May 24th

7:00pm

Auditorium

Dean of Instruction Message:

RHS AP EXAM

AP Exams begin on Monday, May 7th and conclude, Friday, May 18th. For more information on testing at RHS including the exam schedule [click here](#).

By law, all Texas public colleges and universities must award course credit to students who submit scores of 3 or higher on an AP exam. Colleges and universities across the country have AP crediting policies in place to reward students for their hard work in these advanced placement classes. Individual university policies can be accessed [here](#).

If you have any questions regarding AP testing, please direct them to Stephanie Chisholm, RHS Dean of Instruction.

Good luck on your AP Exams!

mLISD Information

Leander Mobile Learning Initiative (mLISD) supports the vision outlined in our Graduate Profile that "Leander ISD students are well prepared to enrich our world and excel in a global society" and that "each student is challenged, encouraged, and supported to achieve the highest level of knowledge, skills, and character" in a digital world.

Once again this year, students who are currently participating in the mLISD program have the option to keep their district devices over the summer. Students can begin to pay the support fee of \$70 (\$35 for students on free/reduced lunch) starting April 1, 2018. Scholarship opportunities are available and the application can be picked up in counseling office.

Starting this summer, Leander ISD will be providing Internet filtering for the Lenovo devices even when it is not attached to the district's network. Regardless of the location, the device will connect to the same filtering system the district provides on campus. Click [HERE](#) for more information/FAQ about the new filtering system.

Starting Sunday, April 1st, payment will be open for the 2018-2019 school year. For credit card payments, click [HERE](#) to sign-up and pay. For cash or money order, bring the payment and the completed Student and Parent Acceptance Form to the front office. Personal and cashier's checks are not accepted.

Sign-up and pay the 2018-2019 mLISD fee and your child be able to keep their device over the summer. Click [HERE](#) for more information on mLISD



The 2018 Junior & Senior Prom
May 12th
8pm-12am
Renaissance Hotel

The theme is a White & Gold
10 Year Anniversary Masquerade.

Tickets are \$45 each and for sale now on the [RHS Webstore](#). Tickets will also be sold before school in the R and B day lunches in the cafeteria starting April 27th , but don't delay, get your tickets online now.

All attendees must turn in a signed [Prom Contract](#) to the AP office. Anyone bringing a non-Rouse guest must also turn in an Outside Guest Form to the AP office.

Prom Contracts & [Outside Guest Forms](#) are both due by Wednesday, May 9th .

No Prom Contracts or Outside Guests will be approved the day of the dance, and no tickets will be sold at the door.

Masquerade masks are allowed but must be handheld.

Prom Frequently Asked Questions can be found here for more information.

Juniors & Seniors- check your school email to make nominations for the Prom King & Queen Court.

COUNSELORS' CORNER

Click [here](#) to visit our website

12th Graders

- Our Senior Recognition Ceremony is May 22nd at 6:30 PM
- Report any Scholarships, Awards, and Honors [here](#) (Due May 4th to be in program)
- Report your college acceptances [here](#)
- Let us know if you need FAFSA help! It is ***not too late*** to complete to be eligible for grants and loans for college. [FAFSA Info](#)
- Check out our list of [Scholarships Available](#) (Updated). Naviance has an updated list of local and national scholarships as well.
- Order your final transcripts for your college applications through [Parchment](#). Make sure you request to "Hold for Grades."

11th Graders

- Choice Sheet Verifications have been mailed. Please return to the Counselor's office with any changes.
- Take advantage of a college visit. Two excused absences your Junior year.

10th Graders

- Choice Sheet Verifications have been mailed. Please return to the Counselor's office with any changes.
- Begin the ACC Dual Credit Enrollment process: [RHS CCR website](#)

9th Graders

- Choice Sheet Verifications have been mailed. Please return to the Counselor's office with any changes.

Check out various college & career summer enrichment opportunities [here](#)

College and Career Update

Paying for College

Fill out the FAFSA!

FAFSA is the most important tool students can use to access money for college. You can find many resources online at [studentaid.gov](#). In the meantime, here are a few important points to keep in mind:

- Fill out the FAFSA at [fafsa.ed.gov](#)
- Requires both student and [parent info](#) (regardless of how much money parent(s) plan to contribute to the cost of college)
- Students and parents must request an [FSA ID](#) prior to submitting the FAFSA - this acts as the electronic signature
- Requires 2016 income tax info
- If your household has experienced a significant change in income since filing 2016 taxes, the student should contact the financial aid office of the school

Texas Success Initiative (TSI)

TSI is the standard students must meet in order to take classes for credit in college. TSI is not tied to high school graduation or college acceptance but must be met prior to college course registration. Students can meet TSI through either the SAT, ACT, or the TSI Assessment. Score standards are as follows:

SAT		ACT		TSI Assessment	
Composite	N/A	Composite <i>(must meet in order for subscores to qualify)</i>	23	Reading	351
Evidence Based Reading & Writing	480	English	19	Writing (Essay/Multiple choice)	4/340+ or 5/any score
Math	530	Math	19	Math	350

Taking the TSI

Students will have the opportunity to take the TSI Assessment here on campus at various times throughout the school year. Students will test only in the area(s) they still need to meet TSI and can register for any test date in Naviance → Colleges tab → Upcoming college visits

- March 3rd - this is a Saturday test
- March 27th - 8:30am-11:30am (*attendance excused*)
- April 19th - 8:30am-11:30am (*attendance excused*)
- May 3rd - 8:30am-11:30am (*attendance excused*)

If these dates do not work with scheduling, students can [test at ACC](#) for a cost of \$10/section.

Prior to taking the TSI

- Complete the Pre-Assessment Activity (PAA): [sites.austincc.edu/paa](#)
- Upload a screenshot of your completion certificate using this [Google form](#)
- Review prep materials: [Sample questions](#), [Practice app](#)

2018 Relay Yearbook

Yearbooks are on sale now, click on the following link to place your order. <http://bit.ly/2wfDaN3>

Senior parents, you can honor your son or daughter with a tribute ad in the 2018 *Replay* yearbook. This special part of the yearbook is dedicated to congratulating students with meaningful messages from family members, and include photos that range from birth through senior year.

Go to <https://goo.gl/ofcVnT> to get more info about senior ads, and reserve your space at <http://bit.ly/2wfDaN3>.

RHS PTSA

Rouse PTSA welcomes all interested parents, teachers & students.

Click here to join:

<http://www.joinpta.org/>

Volunteer

Volunteers' tasks are limitless - including such things as tutoring & mentoring students, chaperoning school dances & field trips, helping with our athletic & band booster clubs, helping with textbooks, serving at Teacher Appreciations and helping out in the guidance office.

For the safety of our students, Leander Independent School District requires **all potential volunteers** who plan to **work during the day or evenings** (before, during & after school) supporting any Club/Organization/Sports team, etc. to receive a background check by the Department of Public Safety (DPS). This check will be completed using the Raptor Volunteer Management System.

Here is how someone can become an 'APPROVED' LISD Volunteer:

1. Complete and submit the *NEW* Raptor Volunteer Application:
2. [English](#) | [Español](#)
3. The background check should be complete in 2-3 business days.
4. Once approved, an email will be sent to the volunteer containing their login credentials and account information for their virtual volunteer profile.
5. When the volunteer is needed and it is during the school day, they MUST check-in at the front office and acquire a Volunteer Badge from the Receptionist.