### 2022-2023

# Westwood High School

Institute of Research, Engagement and Design

School Improvement Council Annual Report to the Parents and Community

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**School Improvement Council** 

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> **Students** Luther Bells and Aiden Keck

Faculty/Staff Paige Brown and Garrett Knight

**Ex-Officio Members** Robert S. Jackson, Ed.S., and Tameka Nicholson, Ed.S.

#### **WHS Education Foundation**

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#### **Mission Statement**

Westwood High School in partnership with our parents and community engages and motivates students to develop 21st century skills, while producing responsible citizens who are prepared for future success.

Grades: 9-12

Student Enrollment: 1679 Hours: 8:00am-4:00pm



# **Academic Programming**



#### iRed

The Institute of Research, Engagement, and Design (iRED) is a whole-school magnet at Westwood High School. The school curriculum emphasizes the STEAM subjects of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics.

#### Studio D

Studio D is a model of learning by discovery and design. Students are challenged to think outside the box through a series of processes that empower them to answer the tough questions. Throughout this process students learn leadership, communication, collaboration, innovation and perseverance.

#### AVID

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a rigorous academic elective course that prepares motivated students, in the academic middle, to reach their potential, achieve their goals and prepare for 4-year college eligibility. AVID helps with study skills, organizational skills, writing skills, and being prepared for college.

#### SOAR Academy

SOAR Academy is Westwood High School's honors program - a small, dedicated community of students who are highly motivated to meet formidable academic challenges, to take risks, and to think deeply, critically and creatively.



 SIC Goal 22-23 - By the end of the 2022-23 school year, the WHS SIC will increase engagement, student exposure, and teacher recruitment by ten (10) percentage points that will positively impact our culture and climate survey.

#### 2. Action Items

a. The SIC will be divided into four action teams (Dads on Duty, Lyceum Series, Student Recognitons, and Teacher Recruitment) for the purpose of implementing these initiatives by the end of the school year.









### Fire & EMT Program







Lyceum Series 2023

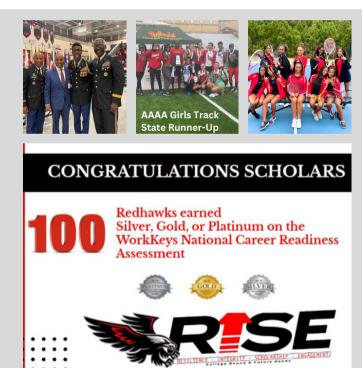
# **Honors and Awards**



- 2022 National Magnet Schools of America Certification
- 2022 100% Passage Rate AP Research and Seminar
- 2022 National Student Council Gold Council of Excellence
- 2022 SC Association of Student Councils Gold Honor Council
- 2022 Girls Track Team State AAAA Runner-Up
- 2023 Girls Basketball Lower State Champions & State Runner-Up
- 2023 Girls Basketball Region IV AAAA Champions
- 2022-2023 Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Jennifer Tinneny
- 2022-2023 Gatorade Track Athelete of the Year (Brianna Rodriquez)
- 2022-2023 Support & Service Employees of the Year, TBA
- Principal Robert Jackson, AAAA Classification President
- Coach Gregory Bauldrick named Region IV AAAA Coach of the Year

## **Clubs and Organizations**

AVID, Book Club, Bowling Club, DECA, FBLA, FCA, Freshman House, Roots and Wings Club, HOSA, WHS Fire & Rescue, Junior House, Kings of Westwood, Latin Dance Club, Leo Club, Mu Alpha Theta, National Art, Honor Society, National Beta Club, National Dance, Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, National Society for Black Engineers, National Spanish Honor Society, Spanish Club, National Technical Honor Society, Pearls of Elegance, Young, Black and Determined, Prysm, Senior House, Sophomore House, Technical Student Association of America, Skills USA.





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