



## Diploma Years Programme

### DP NEWS

#### PSAT Information

Westlake Academy will be administering the **PSAT** exam to **ALL** sophomore and junior students on **Wednesday, October 14, 2015** starting at **8:00 am**. Westlake Academy will be covering the registration fee for the PSAT.

The PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide will be distributed to students in the following classrooms:

- 10th Grade in Ms. New's Classes
- 11th Grade in Ms. Harrell Classes

Also, students can pick up the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide in the following locations:

- MYP Front office
- College Counseling Office - 3rd Floor MYP Bldg

For more information about the PSAT/NMSQT, please visit <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

#### Grade 11 Upcoming DATES

Month	Day	Activity
October	2	Great Wolf Lodge Night (9:30pm-11:30pm)
	5	CAS Checkpoint (meet with advisor)
	8	Early Release: Parent/Teacher Conferences
	14	<b>PSAT</b> (on campus)

#### Grade 12 Upcoming DATES

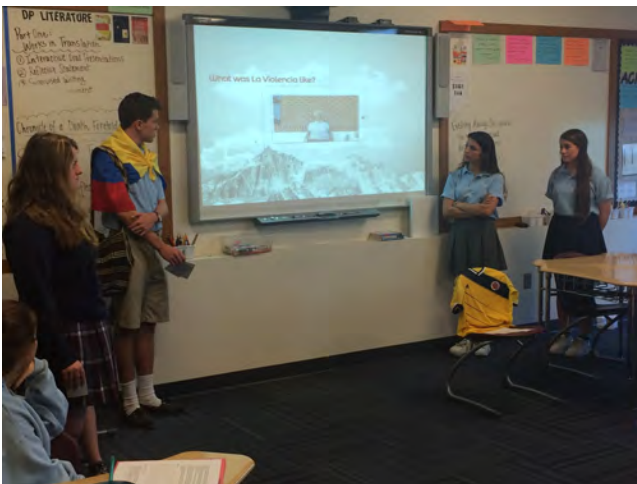
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	8	<b>Extended Essay (EE) Formal Draft</b>

## October 8, 2015 Parent/Teacher Conference

Please contact Mr. Stoyanoff directly if you would like to schedule a parent/teacher conference next Thursday afternoon (12:30pm to 4:30pm). We would like both parents and students to attend the conference.

## Interactive Orals in Ms. Estrada's Class

11<sup>th</sup> grade students in Mrs. Estrada's DP Literature course initiated their required Interactive Oral Group Presentation for *Chronicle of a Death Foretold* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. As part of their study of works in translation, all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students are required to initiate one IOGP and participate in the remaining two presentations. Students researched the culture and context of Marquez's novel and planned a lesson to teach and engage their fellow classmates with the content in order to enhance their understanding of the novel. All of the groups did an excellent job of engaging their classmates through creative presentations that included dramatic reenactments of historical events and situations, an interview with student Cana Rollin's grandmother who lived in the same region of Colombia as Marquez, and an interactive concept web that visually represented the various connections between aspects of culture, context, and the text. The groups for each class delivered three distinct presentations, but as was evident in their reflective statements, students in every class learned a considerable amount about the cultural and contextual considerations in *Chronicle of a Death Foretold*.





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## Counselor Carl's College Corner

### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES – CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!

#### HANNAH BUMGARNER

- UNIVERISTY OF NEBRASKA
- UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

#### JACK GALLAGHER

- INDIANA UNIVERSITY

#### DREW KOSMAN

- UNIVERISTY OF KANSAS
- UNIVERISTY OF NEBRASKA

#### OLIVIA GIBBS

- UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

### WESTLAKE ACADEMY COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS – For **WA** Students

The following colleges/universities will be visiting **WA** on the following dates and times. If you are interested in these schools, please **sign-up** in the MYP office. These sessions will be held in the **A/S Conference** room unless otherwise noted.

Month	Day	Time	College / University
October	2	9:00am—9:30am	Columbia University

## DFW AREA COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS – FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

The following information sessions are open to all students and parents in the DFW area. Many require you to **register**, so please plan accordingly.

### **October 5, 2015**

**Emory University, University of Notre Dame, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, and University of Virginia**

St. Mark's School of Texas

10600 Preston Road

Dallas, TX 75230

Decherd Hall

7:00pm

Register at <https://admission.emory.edu/portal/ewesouthwest?id=84b1a1c3-6dd0-4c33-a1a2-adcf3f9ac5d8>

### **October 8, 2015**

Preview Purdue in Fort Worth

Texas Star Golf Course and Conference Center

1400 Texas Star Parkway

Eules, TX 76040

6:30 – 8:00pm

Register at <https://apply.purdue.edu/portal/admissions-preview-purdue?id=47cbadfa-b079-473d-9242-375413712475>

### **October 17, 2015**

**Johns Hopkins University**

Trinity Christian Academy

The Commons

17001 Addison Road

Addison, TX 75001

3:00pm

Register at <https://apply.jhu.edu/form/BF53F7CD-FE85-4BEF-AAC4-B2CAB090106A>

### **October 18, 2015**

**Pepperdine University**

Omni Dallas Park West

1590 LBJ Freeway



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Dallas, TX 75234

972-869-4300

3:00 – 5:00pm

Register at [http://seaver.pepperdine.edu/about/visit/events/rsvp/?utm\\_source=seaver-admission&utm\\_medium=postcard&utm\\_content=fall-events&utm\\_campaign=fall-events-postcard](http://seaver.pepperdine.edu/about/visit/events/rsvp/?utm_source=seaver-admission&utm_medium=postcard&utm_content=fall-events&utm_campaign=fall-events-postcard)

### **October 21, 2015**

#### **Yale University**

St. Mark's School of Texas

10600 Preston Road

Dallas, TX 75230

7:00 – 8:30pm

Register at <https://apps.admissions.yale.edu/events/?id=1f7ca502-e4fd-4c29-aa00-b895335b9757>

### **October 22, 2015**

#### **Yale University**

Trinity Valley School

7500 Dutch Branch Road

Fort Worth, TX 76132

7:00 – 8:30pm

Register at <https://apps.admissions.yale.edu/events/?id=fd563686-0383-4d40-a92e-e7562fd21656>

### **October 25, 2015**

#### **Georgetown University**

St. Mark's School of Texas

10600 Preston Road

(Nearburg Hall #114)

Dallas, TX 75230

Register at <http://uadmissions.georgetown.edu/visiting/your-area/us-cities>

## **DP Administration**

Let's continue to work towards this year's theme:

**Dream ... Create ... Achieve: Building a Collective Legacy of Excellence.**

For questions concerning schedules, PSAT/SAT/ACT, and college planning, please feel free to contact **Mr. Tippen** at any time: [ctippen@westlakeacademy.org](mailto:ctippen@westlakeacademy.org)

If you have any question concerning student life, the Diploma Programme (DP), and AP/DP exams, please feel free to contact **Mr. Stoyanoff** at any time: [sstoyanoff@westlakeacademy.org](mailto:sstoyanoff@westlakeacademy.org)

Sincerely,

**Mr. Stoyanoff**

DP Principal

DP Coordinator

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