

## *In The Know...*

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### Academics on Campus

#### Parents Stress College Preparation

WCS parents, in connection with the WCS Athletic Department, have been involved in organizing two efforts to highlight the importance of SAT preparation and college attendance. Special thanks goes to Pamela Ntagha for her recent endeavor to bring an SAT Prep Course on campus and for recruiting student-athletes to enroll. Additional thanks to parents Terri Kimble and Toni Crawford for sponsoring a recent University of Houston campus tour for football players. These events, in conjunction with other WCS college preparatory initiatives, continue to reinforce the message that Westbury Christian School is committed to preparing our students for successful college careers and beyond.



#### Outstanding Senior Invited to Serve

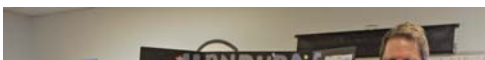
In an inauguration ceremony held in October at the Houston City Hall Council Chambers, Westbury Christian senior, De Andre' Beadle, was installed as one of the 33 members of Mayor Bill White's youth council. Beadle was one of over 350 applicants who applied through a competitive written application and personal interview. Students must reside in the city of Houston and are expected to be academically sound and participate in community service activities. The Mayor's Youth Council (MYC) was started in 1998 to develop leadership and citizenship skills. It provides a voice for young Houstonians while learning city government. The MYC is modeled after the elected City Council and members serve a term from October through April.



### Spiritual Life on Campus

#### Magi Boxes Collected and Donated by WCS Students

Student leaders in the Jerry Cox National Junior Honor Society and the Interact Club organized the collection and donation of "Magi Boxes" to benefit children in Honduras and India. As part of the project, students were given a list of items to be included in the care boxes. Students assembled 109 Magi Boxes over the course of the service project and assisted in the loading of the boxes headed to the Healing Hands International headquarters. WCS founder Jack Rowe and wife Sherlie were touched by the groups donation and sent the following message back to WCS. "God's world is never small, but He makes us appreciate His love every day. I work as a volunteer at Healing Hands and the Magi project is our current priority. What a pleasant surprise to find so many boxes from Westbury Christian School!"



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**Got Blog?** Blogging has become a popular internet trend and typically functions as an online diary for individuals. Steve Hawley, a WCS Bible teacher of 12 years, has taken his blog a step further. What started out as a way to gain exposure to his book, [What Then is This Child Going To Be?](#), and possibly a way to begin a second book, became more than a diary but a spiritual blog for his readers. Hawley’s fans have enjoyed daily articles about his students, his classes, his Bible lessons, or articles he has read, among other topics. His blog is always entertaining and thought provoking. Many of his readers look

forward to starting each day with his daily encouragement and devotional thoughts. Hawley began blogging four years ago, but for the last two years has not missed one day of updating his diary. Even when he is on his annual mission trip to Honduras, guest authors continue to contribute. Start your day with a spiritual lift by going to <http://stevhawley.blogspot.com>.

## Activities on Campus



### Homecoming 2009

The Wildcats played a great game against Lutheran North under the direction of Coach Charlie Ward. During half time activities the Homecoming Court was presented in a special ceremony. Mr. Greg Glenn, Executive Administrator, had the honor of crowning De Andre’ Beadle and Courtney Eagleton as king and queen. After the game, the PTO hosted a 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter Blue and Gold Chocolate Bash in the gym. Homecoming 2009 was a success because of great volunteers, students, parents and visits from our alumni! Go Wildcats!

### Healthy Eating

As a part of their experience at school, students enjoy nutritious dining prepared on site by talented chefs from SAGE Dining Services. SAGE takes a healthy approach to preparing the food they serve. Recently, SAGE Dining had a display set up in the cafeteria to teach students where food comes from. The theme was “From Farm to Table” with Mr. Williams, SAGE Dining Manager, leading an interactive learning session during lunch on the different types of food that were displayed on the table. The students enjoyed learning about food, where it comes from, and what foods are healthy and not so healthy.



## “Connect Me!”



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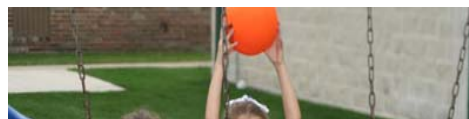


[Alumni Join Our Group](#)

Want to know what’s going on at WCS? The Development Team is finding ways to keep our Alumni and Friends connected through e-Newsletters, Facebook and WCS publications. The WCS Alumni Facebook page has 334 members and growing. A WCS Fan page is also available for current students and others who want to become a “Fan.” If you would like to “Connect” with Westbury Christian, please email [connect@westburychristian.org](mailto:connect@westburychristian.org) and say “Connect Me” and request an invitation to join the WCS Facebook group, fan page or to be put on our mailing list to receive the Dimensions Newsletter. Let’s stay connected!

## News from the Admissions Office

Prospective students were welcomed to an open house on October 27 with tours of the school for K3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The next open house will be November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Invite friends and families to these events and spread the word about the great things happening



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**Open House Dates:**

Monday, November 9, 2009, 6:30 pm (Grades 5-12)  
Thursday, January 21, 2010, 6:30 pm (K3-12th Grade)

**Wildcat Wednesday Morning Tour**

December 2, 2009, 8:30 am

**Personal Tours:** By appointment 713-551-8100



**Upcoming Events**



**November 9, 2009 at 6:30 pm – [Prospective Student Open House](#)** (5th—12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**November 12, 2009 at 7pm – 7th & 8th grade High School Information Night - “What to Expect in 9th Grade.”**

**December 2, 2009 at 8:30 am – [Wildcat Wednesday](#)**

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