



ELS HOUSTON: Session 1

December 30, 2024 — January 24, 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| <p>29</p> <p>Welcome TO HOUSTON</p> | <p>30</p> <p>New Student Orientation</p> <p>8:15am—1pm</p> <p>Orientation & Placement Testing</p> | <p>31</p> <p>FIRST DAY OF CLASS</p> <p>All students get your schedule in the Houston Room @ 8:15am.</p> <p>Center Location Address: 2990 Richmond Ave., Suite 600 (6th floor), Houston, TX 77098</p> | <p>1</p> <p>2025</p> <p>HAPPY New Year</p> <p>CLOSED for New Years</p> | <p>2</p> <p>ACADEMIC ORIENTATION TODAY during your LTC class</p> | <p>3</p> <p>FUN FACT!</p> <p>Did you know Houston is home to the largest shopping mall in TX? The Galleria was built in 1970 and has over 375 stores! If you're looking for something, the Galleria will surely have it.</p> | <p>4</p> <p>IELTS</p> <p>English for International Opportunity</p> <p>The world speaks IELTS</p> <p>IELTS Testing Days*</p> <p>Interested in taking the ELTS? Future test dates include: 1/4, 1/5, 1/11, 1/25, 1/26</p> |
| <p>5</p> <p>Suggested Activity</p> <p>Check out the shops along 19th Street, in Houston's historic neighborhood, the Heights. You'll find antiques, vintage clothing, art galleries, cafes, and lots more!</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Dine among sea creatures at the Houston Aquarium Restaurant in Texas</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Happy Birthday!</p> <p>Come celebrate in the Houston room today at 11:20 a.m. Cake will be served!</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Try a new restaurant today! Houston is famous for its wide variety of restaurants. Here's our pick this month:</p> <p>Pinkerton's Barbecue 1504 Airline Dr.</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Check out Houston's food trucks!</p> <p>roaminghunger.com</p> | <p>10</p> <p>SUGGESTED ACTIVITY</p> <p>Visit Space Center Houston</p> <p>(For more information on hours and tickets, please visit spacecenter.org)</p> | <p>11</p> <p>日本米協会</p> <p>JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF HOUSTON</p> <p>JASH New Year Event and need volunteers. Please sign up online: https://www.jashou.org/events/2025/1/11/oshogatsu-2025</p> |
| <p>12</p> <p>SUGGESTED ACTIVITY</p> <p>Take your family to do an escape room at The Escape Game</p> | <p>13</p> <p>Enjoy your lunch outside today! Levy Park is located across the street! Ask any ELS staff for directions.</p> | <p>14</p> <p>UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS HOUSTON</p> <p>Have you been to the gym at UST yet? It is free with an ELS/UST ID!</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Suggested Activity</p> <p>The Menil Collection is one of Houston's most loved art museums. It is completely free and features a wide range of art in terms of style and time period. Open Wednesdays—Sundays</p> <p>11am-7pm 1533 Sul Ross St.</p> | <p>16</p> <p>MFAH</p> <p>Deadline to sign up to see a movie \$5 cash</p> <p>Did you know that some museums are free on Thursdays?</p> <p>Museum of Fine Arts: All Day Natural Science Museum: 3pm-6pm Health Museum: 2pm-7pm Ask Ray for more information!</p> | <p>17</p> <p>SPECIAL ACTIVITY</p> <p>LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES! AFTER CLASSES</p> <p>Join your classmates to watch a movie and eat popcorn</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Suggested Activity</p> <p>Visit the Art Car Museum! The "Garage Mahal" features the most spectacular constructed cars imaginable! FREE!</p> <p>Open Friday, Saturdays and Sundays by appointment.</p> <p>CHECK IT OUT!</p> |
| <p>19</p> <p>HAPPY MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY!!</p> <p>NO CLASS TODAY</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.</p> <p>Martin Luther King Jr.</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Go with classmates to study at the UST library. Make sure to take your ELS Student ID with you!</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Have you registered for Session 2? Will you study next session? Make sure to finalize payment to secure your schedule. Talk to any ELS Staff for help or email us at houston@els.edu.</p> | <p>23</p> <p>SSD FINALS 8:30am</p> <p>Best of Luck</p> | <p>24</p> <p>GRADUATION @ 9:30am.</p> <p>Meet with your teacher after.</p> | <p>25</p> <p>For returning students, we will see you on Tuesday, Jan. 28th, at 8:15am to pick up your schedule!</p> <p>For departing students, we wish you safe travel back home!</p> |