

MAY 2026

School Principal Day

Written by: Ariana Galliano (10<sup>th</sup>)

School Principal Day is celebrated on May 1st as a time to recognize the dedication and leadership that school principals bring to their communities every day. At Wesleyan Academy, principals Maria Ortiz and Katherine Rodriguez were showered with hugs, gifts, and heartfelt appreciation in honor of their commitment to the school community. Principal Katherine Rodriguez's favorite part of being a principal is to have a platform to create, through academics and other special activities, amazing unforgettable experiences to help Wesleyan Academy students to grow and become the best version of themselves. This recognition made her think that all the time, effort and love she gives to this community is valued and appreciated. Principal Maria Ortiz was surprised with a personalized cake and a special gathering organized by her coworkers to thank her for her dedication, hard work, and constant support throughout the school year. Both principals felt deeply grateful for the recognition and appreciation shown for their service and commitment to the Wesleyan Academy community.



Maria Ortiz  
HS Principal



Katherine Rodriguez  
PS Principal

Baptism Ceremony

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The baptism ceremony held at El Taller on May 13, was a meaningful event for students, teachers, and families who came together to support those who were being baptized. This is a very special decision and a public statement of faith where the immersion in water symbolizes the washing away of sin and a believer's new life in Jesus Christ. This event reflected the values and message that Wesleyan Academy encourages in its students every day. It brought together the school community in a moment of celebration, reflection and motivation. This ceremony reminds us that it is never too late to leave behind negative habits and begin again while remaining faithful to our beliefs. It also highlights the importance of supporting and encouraging one another as we continue to grow together.

Seniors Farewell

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On May 6, the Class of 2026 had their Senior Farewell. We gave heartfelt speeches, hugged classmates and teachers, and danced to celebrate our journey. The day was filled with laughter and tears as seniors were filled with a bittersweet feeling. We realized this was the end of an era. When we passed down our senior shirts, it was a full-circle moment, reminding us how far we've come. As I write my final article, I bid farewell to Wesleyan; grateful for the memories, lessons, and friendships that the Class of 2026 will carry forward.

Nurses Day



Written by: Mayra Estrada

This month we celebrate Nurses Day, a special time to honor the caring individuals who help keep us healthy and safe. At Wesleyan, we are especially grateful for our nurse, Paola Nieves, for her kindness, patience, and dedication to helping students every day. She works tirelessly to ensure that everyone feels cared for and supported. Thank you, Nurse Paola, for everything you do for our school community!

High School Awards Day

Written by: Jorge Rotger (11<sup>th</sup>)

Every year on Students' Day, the school community comes together to celebrate the academic achievements of the alumni by handing out the Honor, High Honor, and Highest Honor awards. But this year, the administration decided to do something different; they wanted to make Awards Day more fun and entertaining for the students. The Student Council convened and organized a series of six different events for the alumni. They had them dance and play guessing games in the Just Dance and 7-Up activities. They'd play against each other in the Board Games and Pictionary classrooms. They'd have them use their knowledge on school subjects and pop culture for Jeopardy and Guess the Song. The event ended at 11:00 a.m. after students received awards in their respective homerooms.



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Jr. Takeover

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The time has come where we get introduced to the new senior class. On Monday May 11, the class of 2027 officially made their debut as seniors. With shirts uniquely decorated for each person, confetti popping everywhere and a batucada for everyone to enjoy, they came running into the school with more than enough spirit. It's safe to say that we are all beyond excited for the upcoming year, and our future seniors are too as they prepare for what will be their final year at Wesleyan. While one chapter is coming to an end, another is just beginning as life leads them toward new opportunities and experiences. Congratulations, Class of 2027; you've made it!



## Ring Ceremony

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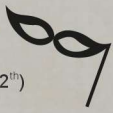
During the morning of May 14th, the Class of 2027 got to enjoy their long-awaited Ring Ceremony. The ceremony began with a prayer from the class president, followed by a heartfelt message from Pastor Samuel García. Afterwards, students were called to the stage alongside their families to officially wear their rings as seniors and begin the symbolic journey of what will become their senior year.

It was a very emotional ceremony filled with laughter, tears, and above all, gratitude to the Lord for allowing them to make it this far.



## Jr./Sr Banquet

Written by: Fabiola Santos (12<sup>th</sup>)



On the night of May 2, 2026, students, teachers, friends, and families gathered at the Royal Sonesta Hotel for this year's Jr./Sr. Banquet. With the theme of Brazilian Carnival, the ballroom was filled with color, music, energy, and a lot of unforgettable moments. From decorations and performances to coordinating the program itself, the juniors spent months preparing everything to make the night special. This year's theme brought the lively spirit of Carnival to life through bright decorations, dancing, music, and performances that kept everyone entertained throughout the evening. Everyone enjoyed a night full of good food, laughter, and memories shared with classmates, teachers, friends, and family members. One of the highlights of the night was watching the juniors perform for the seniors through dances, acting bits, and presentations that reflected appreciation for the graduating class. Awards were also given out, recognizing different seniors and adding even more excitement to the evening. More than anything, the banquet was a reminder of how close the school community has become over the years. It was one of those nights where everyone could simply enjoy being together before the seniors begin a new chapter in their lives.



Thanks to the effort and creativity of the junior class, the Jr./Sr. Banquet 2026 became a night that many will remember for years to come. For the Sr class, this night made their transition out of high school all the more heartwarming.

## Athletic Awards

Written by: Adriam Rohena (11<sup>th</sup>)

At the end of the school year our athletics department holds an awards ceremony for the brave athletes who represented our school during the year. This 2025-2026 athletic awards ceremony was held in Sector Sixty 6 in Caguas, where teams from children's and mini teams to Varsity teams were awarded medals and trophies to congratulate their efforts and vigor in their sport. After the teams had their ceremonies, the athletes enjoyed the fun and exciting facilities of Sector Sixty 6, having a fun time together, and for some of them being their last time celebrating with classmates and peers.

## World Day of Bullying Prevention



Written by: Carlos Berroa (10<sup>th</sup>)

As the years have passed, bullying has become a more recognized issue, leading many organizations and schools to work on preventing it. One important effort is the World Day of Bullying Prevention. This initiative began in 2007 when two students, David Shepherd and Travis Price, decided to stand up against bullying.

On the first day of school, a student was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. David and Travis chose to support him by buying 50 pink shirts and handing them out to other students the next day. Their actions became a symbol of standing up against bullying and inspired many people around the world.

In 2008, the World Day of Bullying Prevention was officially recognized. Thanks to the bravery of these two students, this day now helps spread awareness about the importance of kindness and respect. The date of this celebration changes depending on the country. In the United States, it is observed on the first Monday of October, while in Spain it is celebrated every year on May 2nd.

For many years, Wesleyan has also supported the fight against bullying by helping create a safe and welcoming environment for all students.

## 6th grade Last Bell



Written by: Amanda Torres (10<sup>th</sup>)

On May 14, 2026, our 6th grade students celebrated their last bell. Wesleyan creates this special moment to honor their hard work and recognize their moving up. This moment symbolizes the closing of one chapter and the exciting beginning of another. After years of learning, growing, and making memories in Elementary school, the 6th graders are now preparing to move on to High School. The last bell not only serves as a reminder of how far they have come, but also stands as a powerful symbol of new beginnings. As they walk out for the final time, they will carry with them the friendships, lessons, and memories they've made— things that will guide them into this new stage of their lives. Congratulations to our 6th graders; we can't wait to see what you accomplish next!

## Last Day of School



Written by: Amanda Robles (10<sup>th</sup>)

The end of another amazing school year has quickly arrived at Wesleyan Academy. This year has been filled with incredible activities and events, as well as special moments that have brought the community together. Friday, May 15 marked our last day of classes; a warm, joyful finale to a busy week. Students returned to campus to reconnect with friends and teachers, enjoy refreshments, and celebrate the accomplishments of the year. With dismissal at 11:00 a.m., the school officially ushered in the start of summer and the promise of a well-deserved break.