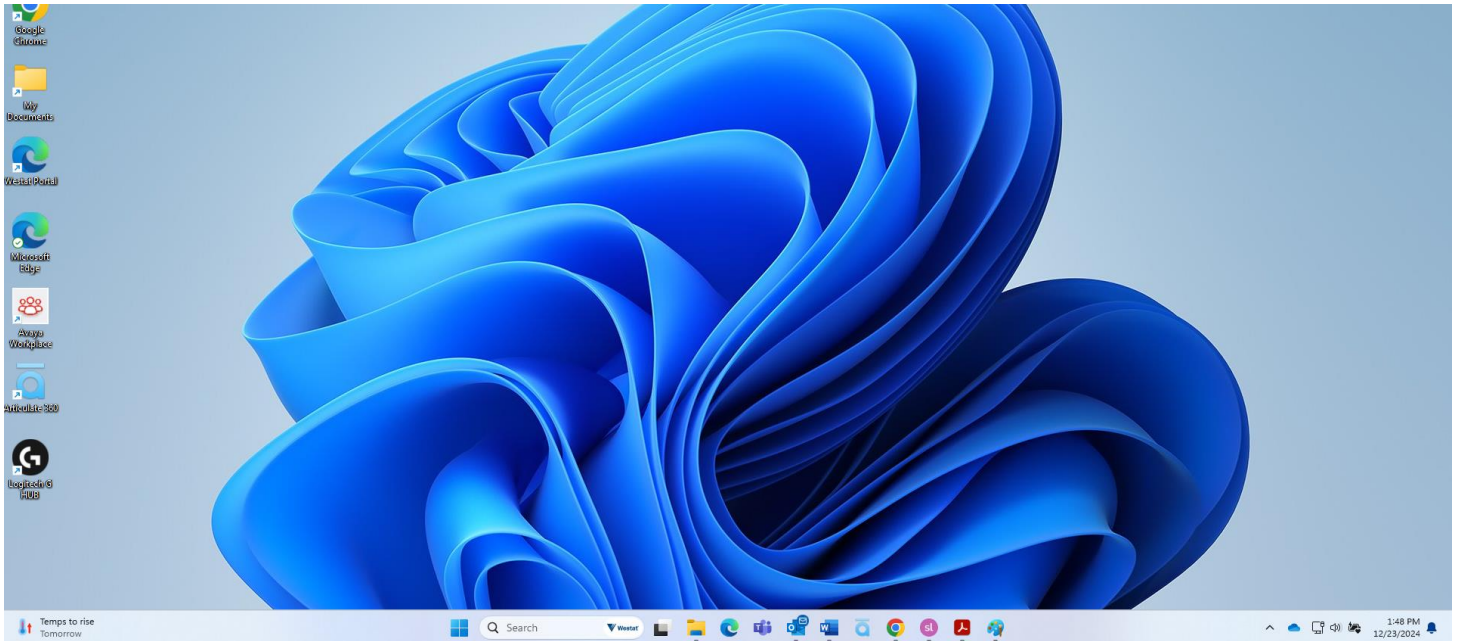


The Redesigned Desktop in Windows 11

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The Redesigned Desktop



Location of the New Start Menu

The Start Menu in Windows 11 has been relocated to the center of the taskbar, providing a more streamlined and accessible experience. This central position ensures quick access to your pinned apps, recommended files, and essential tools.

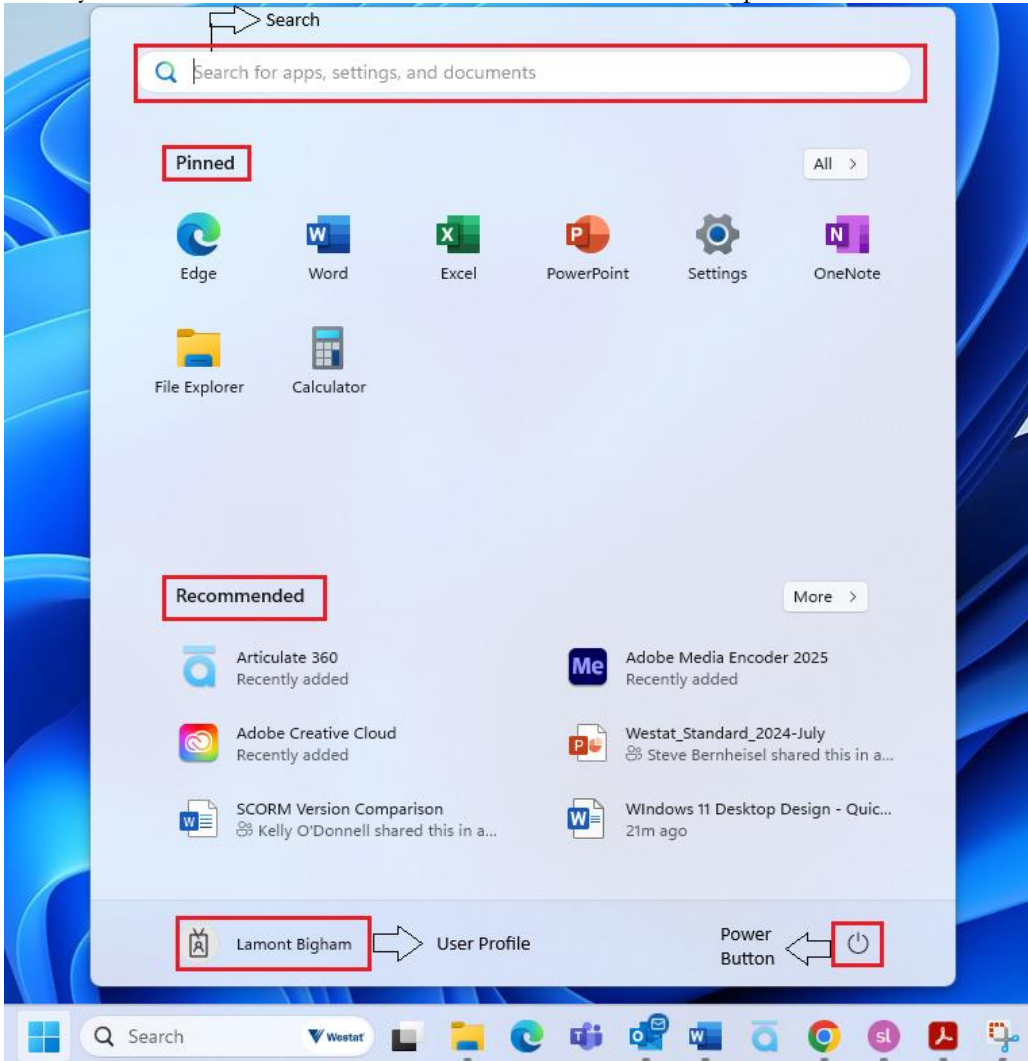


Using the New Start Menu

Click on the **Start Menu Button**.



Then you will see the Start Menu Window with the below options:



- Use the **Search** field at the top of the Start menu to search for apps and files on your computer, people in Westat and information on the internet.
- The **Pinned Apps** grid gives quick access to the apps you use the most.
- The **All Apps list** displays every app installed on your computer. Click the All Apps button to display the list.
- The **Recommended Apps and Files** so that you can jump right back in. This list will be empty at first, and fill with items as you use your computer.
- Click the **User Profile Icon** to sign out or switch users.
- Click the **Power Button** to put your computer to lock, sleep, shut it down, or restart it.

How to Pin an Application to the Start Menu Pinned Apps Section

1. **Open the Start Menu**
 - Click the **Start button** in the center of the taskbar to open the Start Menu.
2. **Find the Application**
 - Use the **Search bar** at the top of the Start Menu to locate the application you want to pin, or scroll through the list of apps.
3. **Right-Click the Application**
 - Once you locate the app, right-click on its icon to open the context menu.
4. **Select "Pin to Start"**
 - From the context menu, click **"Pin to Start."**
5. **Confirm the Pinning**
 - The application will now appear in the **Pinned Apps** section of the Start Menu.
6. **Arrange the Pinned App (Optional)**
 - Drag the pinned app to reorder it within the Pinned Apps section to your preference.

As you begin working with Windows 11, remember that change often brings new opportunities for growth and efficiency. If you have any questions or need additional support, please feel free to contact the [Westat Help Desk](#) for additional assistance.