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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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MIDDLE SCHOOL Exams

Middle school exams are approaching – Dec. 16-18. Please check the [Middle School Exam Schedule](#) to find out which subjects your student has on each day. The first exam is 8:25-9:55am; the second is 10-11:30am. These are half days for middle schoolers ONLY; dismissal is at 11:30am.

6TH GRADE

Language Arts: Students worked on editing and assembling our Poetry Portfolios, which will serve as their ELA Midterm Exam. During their exam time next week, we'll design covers for our portfolios and share our work. We also had our last grammar lesson of the unit; after break, we'll review all of our verb content and then have a test at the end of second quarter.

Social Studies: We finished presenting our civilization projects. Then we began exam prep. Students will have their Social Studies exam on Thursday.

- Social Studies Exam - Thursday, December 18

Science: We finished up Chapter 5 this week by looking more closely at the major events from each of the eras and periods of Earth's history. Then we began to review for the exam next week. The exam will cover plate tectonics, earthquakes, weathering, erosion and deposition, and the Geologic time scale.

Theology: The students this week finished learning about the Jewish Patriarchs and reviewed for next week's exams.

Math 6G1: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the sixth graders will take their exam on Wednesday.

Math 6G2: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the sixth graders will take their exam on Wednesday.

7TH Grade

Language Arts: Students worked to create and record slideshow presentations of their Poetry Pairing Projects. Their ELA Midterm Exam is to record themselves giving this presentation and upload that recording onto Canvas. Instructions have been shared numerous times in-class and can be found on Canvas.

Social Studies: We finished up discussing Medieval Times. We talked about the Church, the crimes and punishments, and the difference in social classes. The students then began exam prep. The exam will be next Wednesday.

- Social Studies Exam - Wednesday, December 17

Theology: We finished learning about the gospels of Luke and John at the start of the week. We also began working on study guides for exams.

Science: We began with the Chapter 4 test. Test corrections for this test are due on the day of the exam next week. Then we started to prepare for the exam, which will cover chapters 1-4.

Math 7G1: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the seventh graders will take their exam on Thursday.

Math 7G2: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the sixth graders will take their exam on Thursday.

8TH Grade

Language Arts: Students practiced their Poet Biography Presentations and began giving presentations. I've been very impressed with our work so far! This project will serve as students' ELA Midterm Exam. We also had our final grammar lesson for this unit; after break, we'll review and take a test on all of our verb content.

History: We began discussing John Adams' presidency. We discussed the election of 1796 and the XYZ Affair. Then we began the exam study guide, and their test will be on Tuesday.

- Social Studies Exam - Tuesday, December 16

Science: We started the week by finishing chapter 4, looking at how genes are passed from parents to offspring on chromosomes. We then started our exam review for next week. This exam will cover material from chapters 1-4.

Math 8G1: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the eighth graders will take their exam on Tuesday.

Math 8G2: Students prepared for exams. We started to go over the review and will continue on Monday. The answers to the exam review are posted to Canvas. There is no IXL assignment next week. Next week, the eighth graders will take their exam on Tuesday.

Theology: We talked about relationships and then worked on study guides for exams next week.