

# FAIRVIEW IB PREP

Magnet News

Letter



Month of  
December

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## MIDTERM EXAM SCHEDULE

Friday 12/15

2nd period exam 9:30 - 11:15

3rd period exam 11:20 - 1:20

4th period 1:25 - 2:35

5th period 2:40 - 3:50

Monday 12/18

4th period exam 9:30 - 11:15

5th period exam 11:20 - 1:20

6th period 1:25 - 2:35

7th period 2:40 - 3:50

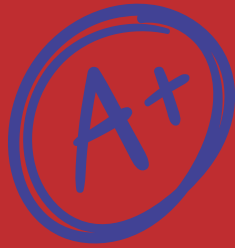
Tuesday 12/19

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## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- 12/12 - FAST PM 2 ELA Testing
- 12/15 - Midterms Begin
- 12/20 - 1/5 - Winter break
- 1/8 - Students return from Winter Break



## 6TH GRADE

Mr. Johnson World History - We are wrapping up our unit on India very soon. The students have done a great job learning about the varnas system, Ashoka, Hinduism, Buddhism and Empires. Any remaining time that we have this semester will be spent on reviewing for the mid-term (early humans, Mesopotamia, Egypt, and India) and history fair, including the process paper and research. We will work on the annotated bibliography a little bit when we get back from winter break. It is expected that all students work on their exhibit board over the break and only have to make adjustments when we get back. Please check planbook for lessons and Canvas/modules for any updates on history fair and community service. Thanks for all you do.

## 6TH GRADE

Mrs. Cameron - Science - In n 6th grade science, soon we will have our last unit test on Stars & Galaxies. We had a great visit from the Challenger Center with great physical science demonstrations! This will help prepare for our field trip in February (more information on that after the break). Our course midterm will be cumulative - all of our space topics will be assessed. Look out for the study guide in Canvas. We're almost half-way done! The year is going at light-speed!

Ms. Kirkendoll - Language Arts - Tropicana Speeches have been one of the major focuses of this nine-weeks. We learned how Speech writing is different from writing an essay, how to present a Speech, and what the audience is looking for. This unit ended with our School-wide Tropicana Speech contest. One student will go on to the District Tropicana Speech contest and compete for a chance to go to State. I am very proud of the creative speeches that were given and the time and thought that were put into each one. We will also do this for the Spelling Bee, which could win someone a spot in the Nationals if they are lucky. In addition, we have continued our novel study which the students are enjoying and learning about survival as a theme. Of course, our Study Sync textbook, has been assisting us with learning about Poetry and all of its elements. Please encourage your students to a least do a little reading over the Winter Break and have a Happy Holiday.

Ms. Multani - Math - In 6th Grade Math, we finished Module 4. We've started algebra and learned about Powers and Exponents, along with understanding how to write and evaluate algebraic expressions. In addition, we learned how to solve real-world problems, differentiate algebraic and numerical expressions, and compute algebraic expressions. We'll be reviewing Module 4 before our QUIZ on Wednesday and touch on Module 1 again by the end of this week. The next week will be dedicated towards reviewing all the modules we have done so far to prepare for upcoming mid-term exam.



## 7TH GRADE

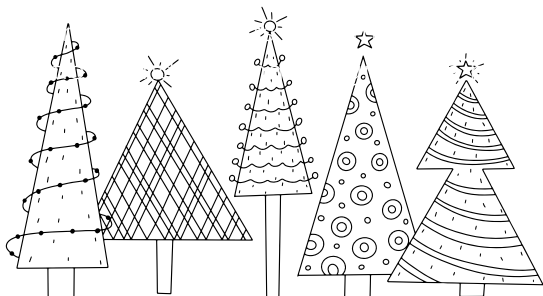
Ms. Thompson- Civics – We are finishing our Unit 7 on the Legislative branch before winter break. Their Unit test will be on Thursday 12/7. We will have a midterm for Civics that will cover everything we have learned so far this year from Unit's 1-7. Students will receive their study guides on Thursday to begin preparing. We will spend the last week of the quarter reviewing and preparing for their midterm. Do not forget to work on your History Fair project over the break. It is due 1/12! All missing and make up work due by 12/14!

Ms. Camen - Language Arts – We are beginning our Argumentative Essay writing project! Students will be asked to argue about the effects of modern technology on daily life. We will primarily work on the essay during class time, but students will be responsible for turning in a first draft on December 11th. Our midterm exam will be on Unit 2. Students should focus on literary elements, poetry vocabulary, and figurative language.

Mr. Fletcher - 7th grade Science – The month of December is upon us and it will be an exciting month in Mr. Fletcher's physical science class. Students will be submitting their science fair projects on 12/4 and the school science fair will be held on 12/7. Students will be able to build some electric circuits in class as a part of our chapter on electricity. We will begin to discuss magnetism in class and prepare of a magnetism lab in January. Students will receive their mid-term study guides so that they can begin to prepare for their mid-term exams that begin on 12/15. Happy Holidays!

Ms. Barraza - Algebra/PreAlgebra – Algebra is working on Module 7, learning exponent laws. We will then begin studying for our midterm which will cover modules 1-6.

Algebra Foundations is wrapping up Module 2 from the 7th grade book. We will be taking the Module 2 Test on Friday 12/8. The following week we will start preparing for the midterm which will cover modules 1-6 from the 7th grade math book.



## 8TH GRADE

Ms. Adams -Language Arts- In the month of December, our 8th graders will have both midterms and a FAST test. We will spend plenty of time reviewing in class and students have had test prep homework activities every week of this quarter to help prepare them. They will do great! FAST #2 is on Tuesday, December 12th. Midterms are December 15-19.

Dr. Morris - Biology – We are thankful for an exciting first semester! Students have learned so much in these two quarters and are poised for greater success in their science exploits in High School. Here are a few reminders for the end of this quarter. Encourage your student(s) to complete their 3D cell project. It is due on December 8th. Midterm Exams will be held between December 15th (Friday) and 19th (Tuesday) depending on their class periods. This period is usually filled with the excitement of the season and break and students can lose focus. Please talk to your student about staying focused and finishing the semester strong. Thank you all for supporting us this far and have a safe and wonderful Holiday season!

Mr. Dombek - US History – As we finish the first semester, we will spend the next couple of weeks discussing the impact made by President Washington on the new United States, we will be doing this using primary sources and a number of document-based questions. We are also continuing to work on History Fair, annotated bibliography and process paper are both due on December 7th. The final project is due January 12th, 2024, students will need to work on the history fair project over the winter break. Please reach out to Mr. Dombek at [dombekn@leonschools.net](mailto:dombekn@leonschools.net) if you have any questions or concerns.

Mr. Johnson - Geometry/Pre-Algebra – Pre Alg is finishing Module 4 – Linear Relationships & Slope and will test on it 12/5/2023. We will begin Module 5 Before the break and try to get as close to finishing as possible.

Geometry is Finishing Module 4 – Transformations & Symmetry. Students will begin Module 5 over the next week, then shift gears to work on their Midterm and Winter Packet.

## LATIN

**Ms. Stephens - Latin -** A lot is happening this month in our Latin classes! My Latin I students are wrapping up a test on Unit 3 and 4, which covers masculine and neuter Second Declension Nouns. Their final exam on Dec. 18 will focus on the material they have covered up to this point in the school year, as well as new content on adjectives. My Wheel students are finishing up their culture unit on the Roman gods. We will have a Roman banquet on Friday, Dec. 8 for them to celebrate finishing their Roman gods projects, which they will present on while we feast. On Dec. 18, they will take their Roman gods test as their final exam, which will be their final grade of the quarter. When we return in January, the Wheel will turn and I will have a new set of Latin Wheel students.

## Spanish

**Mrs. Ruth-** Spanish Wheel is finishing research projects on Spanish-speaking countries. We will end the final 2 weeks of their class with days, months, and weather and some seasonal activities.

Spanish 1 is studying the family through reading comprehension to be able to identify the family members and talk about them. We will begin reviewing for the semester exam. We will also do some seasonal activities.

Spanish 2 is finishing up the reflexive and daily routine. We will begin reviewing for the semester exam. We will also do some seasonal activities.

If you would like to learn more about the trip to Costa Rica for June 2025, please visit <https://bit.ly/46V8bnm>

## Science Olympiad

Thank you to our wonderful parents for a great semester of Science Olympiad. Rickards competition was a huge success despite the technical issues we had with google and file systems. We are warming up for Archimedean next Saturday. Because of Math competition, many scholars will not attend this tournament but the few scholars who will represent the team will do great.

Updates for January will come your way soon.

Tournament in View: BIG! North Florida Regional Tournament at Buchholz High School, Gainesville FL on February 24, 2024

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

As part of our IB Prep program students are required to complete community service.

6th grade: 10 hours

7th grade: 12 hours

8th grade: 14 hours

It will be due at the end of April. They will have a module in CANVAS will all of the required information.

## Chorus/Guitar

Mr. Kosowski

- The Fairview Choir and Guitar programs are incredibly excited for their Winter Concert, Wednesday, December 13th, at 6:00pm in the FMS cafeteria. We hope you will come out to support the students and enjoy an evening of holiday music!

## BAND DATES

- Dec 8, 4:00-5:30pm: VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY for band students, stuffing folders for District Band
- Dec 14, 6pm: Winter Concert in FMS cafeteria (required for all)
- Dec. 17, details TBA: Southwood Winter Fest (Jazz Band)
- Dec 19, 4pm-midnight: Band-A-Thon rehearsal (Blue Band)

## Math Competition

- Math Competition will be participating in SIGMA In-school testing Thursday Friday (Thursday for 7th period Math Comp, Friday Morning for 6th Grade) as well as Chiles Mini Mu December 9th, 2023. Post Competition, Students will have their last Math club meeting of 2023 next week.

Warm  
wishes

