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I hope that you and your family had a great holiday and vacation. I am writing about midyear exams and the semester change.

Midyear Exams (1/24/18-1/29/18)

What Are Midyear Exams? Tests designed to assess the knowledge and skills students have gained in the first semester. For full-year courses, the exams are “midterms.” For half-year courses, they are “finals.”

How Do Students Prepare and Succeed? Teachers will help students to prepare by providing study guide/materials and at least one full block of structured review. Students must be prepared to spend time out of class preparing for exams. This preparation may include reviewing notes, practicing course skills, reexamining earlier tests and quizzes. It also may include writing down questions about things the student does not understand. The most effective studying is done over time, addressing a manageable amount in each session. So start as early as possible.

Students are also encouraged to consult their teachers for any extra help needed. Our teachers are good about providing additional support to our students outside of class hours. Don't be shy! When receiving extra help, share with the teacher what you know and what you do not know. Bring your materials and questions.

How Much Do Exams Count? Half of a marking period. Each exam counts as...

- 10% of a full-year course grade and
- 20% of a half-year course grade.

Exams are separate from marking period grades. At the end of the year, all grades are combined to determine final course grades. It is worth remembering that the only grades that ever appear on a student's transcript are final grades for courses. Colleges and employers will not see individual marking period or exam grades.

There are two exams per day and no other classes during exam week. During exams, students are only required to attend when they have an exam. They do not need to attend when they have no exams, such as study halls and physical education. Buses run at the regular time in the morning and depart at 11:45 AM, right after the conclusion of the second exam.

Absences During Exams

If your child cannot attend an exam due to illness or another circumstance, please call the main office prior to the exam to let us know.

Midyear Exams Schedule

The midyear exam schedule follows (on the next page).

Change of Semester

The second semester begins on Tuesday, January 30th. We will begin the day with advisory at 7:30 AM to provide students with their new schedule (reflecting any change in half-year courses). Please note that juniors and seniors must complete a new “Early Dismissal/Late Arrival” form if they wish to arrive late or leave early as their schedules permit.



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NHHS Midyear Exam Schedule 2017-18

Weds 1/24/18	Thur 1/25/18	Fri 1/26/18	Mon 1/29/18
	Morning Bus - Regular time		
Study Time			
First Exam 8:00 - 9:30			
Exam 1A	Exam 3A	Exam 1B	Exam 3B
Study and Break Time			
Second Exam 10:00 - 11:30			
Exam 2A	Exam 4A	Exam 2B	Exam 4B
	Dismissal Bus - 11:45 AM		