

January 2019

Welcome to 2019! The month of January is a very busy and important month which contains many state and local assessments, our Semester 1 Final Exams, which will be administered on January 29 and 30, and the first day of Semester 2 which is February 4!

State testing begins!

January 4th, 7th, and 8th - **Algebra 1 & 2**-administered during 3rd & 4th period

January 9th, 10th, and 11th-**English 10**

We will run a modified bell schedule at the Main Campus on January 9th, 10th, and 11th

January 9 and 11 - Students test during 1st Period

1st Period 8:00-10:00/ 2nd Period 10:05-11:00/ 3rd Period 11:05-1:00/ 4th Period 1:05-2:30.

January 10 - Students test during 2nd Period

1st Period 8:00-8:55/ 2nd Period 9:00-11:00/ 3rd Period 11:05-1:00/ 4th Period 1:05-2:30.

January 11, 14, 15, 16, 17 - Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA) for Freshman currently enrolled in **Biology** - administered during class time.

January 14th & 15th-MISA for students currently enrolled in a **Science** class who have not already taken MISA or HSA Biology-administered during 1st & 2nd Period

January 16th & 17th - **Government** HSA - administered during 1st & 2nd Period

** Students will need to bring the following for the above assessments:

- Fully charged laptop for all testing
- Earbuds/Headphones for English testing
- Calculator for Math testing

Our **PTSA** will hold the January executive team meeting on Tuesday, January 8, at 3:00PM where they will be voting on bylaws. All are invited to attend.

Our school and offices will be closed on **January 21**, in order to recognize the accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Our school will also be closed for students on **January 31 and February 1** in order for our teachers to prepare for the second semester which begins on February 4!

Planning for the **2019-2020 school year** has begun and will officially start with our **Scheduling Information Night** on January 23 from 5:30PM-7:00PM. Our current 9 -11th graders are invited to visit information tables set up within our cafeteria by each of our nine departments any time during this hour and a half. Teachers from each department will be available to provide information and answer questions about the courses and pathways within the departments.

From 5:30PM-6:15PM, our incoming 9th graders (current 8th graders) are invited to attend a "Welcome to KIHS" presentation, within our auditorium, which will provide a general overview of the

scheduling process. Our future 9th grade families will then have time to visit the information tables after the presentation. We hope to see you there!

Students will select their classes during the months of February and March. The **2019-2020 Program of Study**, in which you will find information related to graduation requirements and the courses offered at our school, will soon be available on our website as well as the Queen Anne's County Public School's website.

Final Exam Schedule

January 29 Periods 1 and 2 Final Exams

January 30 Periods 3 and 4 Final Exams

School will operate on a testing early dismissal schedule which is **1:00PM on each Final Exam testing day**. Students will be provided a 15-minute break between exams. Snacks may be purchased during these breaks from our cafeteria, a full lunch will not be served. Our students are expected to remain with us for the entire testing sessions each day in order to prevent unnecessary disruptions. Please refrain from picking up your child early unless it is necessary for an appointment. As always, notes for early dismissal should be submitted by your child in the morning with the time of departure listed to the attendance secretary. This procedure is the least disruptive to other test takers.

If your student is enrolled in a hybrid class, please ask them for his/her specific exam schedule. Our 9th grade students who attend one or two classes at the main campus will be bused to the main campus, as usual, in order to take their Period 3 ($\frac{5}{8}$) and/or Period 4 ($\frac{7}{8}$) exams.

As I mentioned, our **Second Semester** begins on February 4. Schedules will be emailed out on January 11. Please take a moment to review your student's second semester schedule and contact our school counseling office if you have questions or would like to make a change. **Final copies of second semester schedules will be emailed to all of our students Friday, February 1.** If you are in need of a paper copy please stop by or contact the school counseling office.

The January calendar is available below, and as always, please do not hesitate to contact us with questions or concerns.

Go Buccaneers!

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