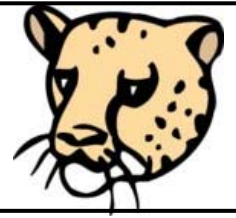


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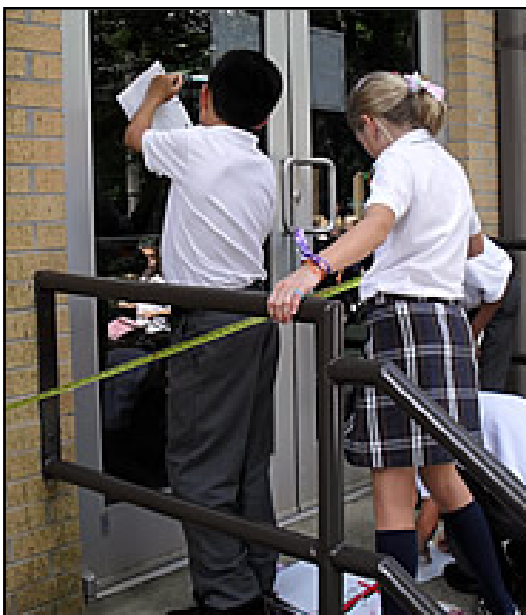


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Guide to Test Taking: Before You Take A Test

1. **Stay up-to-date on homework assignments.** Learn material and review as you go along. Read over your notes, questions, and/or textbook for 5-10 minutes every night. This will make actual studying easier. Nothing reduces stress like being well prepared.
2. **Practice healthy habits.** Get enough rest at night, especially the night before a test. Eat a healthy breakfast on test days.
3. **Try to anticipate the questions** that will be asked on a test. Pay attention to your teacher's review, look at the chapter review, and look at your notes to see what was emphasized in class.
4. **Make flashcards** and other aids to help you study. This is a very good idea for short-answer tests. Go to Quia.com for games and flashcards. Go to lizard.com for blank map and capital quizzes.
5. **Repetition is important** in math. When you study, you should practice, practice, practice.
6. **Study in several short sessions** of fifteen to twenty minutes at a time. Studies have shown we remember the first and last things we study. Study for fifteen minutes, then stop. Study fifteen more minutes. Begin with the material from the middle of your first session. Stop, take a break, and study for fifteen more minutes, etc. Or, the week prior to the test, study fifteen minutes every night.
7. **Study facts in some logical order.** You remember information if you can see connections.



Sixth grade science students measured

several areas of the facility. They used these measurements to create scale drawings.

UPCOMING

Friday, September 24

- SDVP Food Drive Ends
- Ice cream sales at lunch

Tuesday, September 28

- Home & School General Meeting (7-9 pm) Moylan
TOPIC: Internet Safety

Wednesday, September 29

- SVDP Wagon Mass PK-8 (9 am), followed by Student Council Installation of Officers
- Spirit Day at Rita's Ice (2-6 pm)

Monday, October 4

- Hearty Meals Bags Distributed

Tuesday, October 5

- Hearty Meals Bags Due
- Eighth grade retreat begins

Buzz Briefs...

SDVP FOOD DRIVE

The Food Drive ends tomorrow. Middle school students are asked to donate the following items:

6th Grade: Side dishes, boxed potatoes, etc.

7th Grade: Mac-and-Cheese

8th Grade: Pancake mix and syrup

EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS

Paperwork for the retreat was sent home on Wednesday. Read the materials with your child, sign and return the three permission slips, and return the paperwork along with a copy of the front and back of his/her insurance card. If you have any questions, please email lcordell@olaschool.org. For information on the venue visit <http://www.georgiawildlife.com/node/686>

SEVENTH GRADE PARENTS

The seventh grade retreat is at the end of October. Look for information to be sent home in the coming weeks.