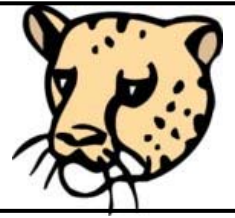


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Exams

It's exam time. The eighth grade students have their study guides, and teachers have been reviewing these guides with the students in class. The sixth and seventh grade students will receive their study guides next week. Here are some tips to help your student do his/her best:

- Allow quiet study time at home.
- Help your student make study aids like flashcards if needed.
- Help your student organize his/her time— create a schedule indicating when and where your student will be studying and when she/he will be relaxing.
- Have your student take short breaks every 30 minutes.
- Encourage some outdoor activity.
- TV and electronic devices are counter-productive and should be limited.
- Have your student write down questions he/she wants to ask the teacher.
- Remind your student not to wait until the last minute to study.

8th Grade Exams

May 13 – Math

May 17 – Social Studies,
Grammar, Literature

May 19 – Religion, Science

7th Grade Exams

May 23 – Math

May 24 – Social Studies,
Grammar, Literature

May 26 – Religion, Science

UPCOMING

Thursday, May 12

- **OPENING NIGHT:** "The Music Man" (7 pm) Gym

Friday, May 13

- PK-3rd Grade Concert (2 pm) Gym
- Eighth Grade Exams: Math
- "The Music Man" (7 pm) Gym

Saturday, May 14

- "The Music Man" (7 pm) Gym

Tuesday, May 17

- Eighth Grade Exams: Social Studies / Grammar & Literature
- Prayer Circle (2 pm) Chapel
- New Parent Social (6:30 pm) Moylan

Thursday, May 19

- Eighth Grade Exams: Religion/ Science

Friday, May 20

- 4th-8th Grade Concert (2 pm) Gym

In The Classrooms

MRS. BAXTER: Study guides for final exams have been handed out and are available on line. The students are reviewing for their final exams. The eighth grade exam will cover the time periods starting with WWI thru the collapse of the Soviet Union. The map section of the exam will cover the major landforms and physical regions of the US, the states, and the countries of Europe.

The seventh grade exam begins with the Constitution and continues through the 1850s. The map section of the this exam will cover the major rivers and bodies of water in the US, the states, and the physical features of the United States.

The sixth grade final exam will concentrate on the Byzantine empire and the Middle Ages. Students in this grade are expected to know the countries and major bodies of water of Asia and Europe.

MRS. LOPEZ: Eighth grade students are studying verbs with reflexive pronouns. They will have an open-book test on May 18. Seventh grade students are presenting their restaurant dialogues this week. They will be taking an open-book test on May 19. This week, sixth grade students will be working with pronouns that come after prepositions and the verb "querer." They will take a

vocabulary quiz on May 17 and a test on May 19.

MISS McBRIDE: The eighth grade students are preparing for exams, and all other middle school students are manipulating data.

MRS. MILLER: Seventh grade science students are studying birds. They are learning about Bernoulli's Principle and how it relates to bird flight. They will be introduced to the barn owl and will begin to dissect owl pellets this week.

Seventh grade science students finished the units on balancing chemical equations and electromagnetic spectrum and had a test on Tuesday. They will spend the remaining part of this week experimenting, creating various chemical reactions, and beginning preparation for next week's final exam.

MISS SHOEMAKER: Sixth grade students will end the year with a *fiat* project. Mary said "yes" to God. The sixth grade students will create a visual aide to show how they say yes to God in their everyday lives. Seventh grade students are working in the lab on their Social Justice project, the only thing they will work on this quarter. Eighth grade students are completing a Prayer Book and studying for exams.