



Dear Parents:

Next week, final exams will become a part of your child's life. From December 17-20, students in grades 9 - 12 will take their final exams in various classes. Prior to taking these finals students will spend time reviewing course requirements, study guides and participating in study sessions offered by classroom teachers.

Parents, you can do your part to ensure their success at home. Here is some information and advice we hope you find useful.

- First, make sure your child is in school during the final exams testing window. Please do not plan any doctor or dental appointments during final exams.
- Next, make sure your child gets his/her regular amount of sleep and that he/she eats a good breakfast. It is a proven fact that lack of sleep can result in a reduction in effort. Hunger can also detract from a good test performance.
- While taking the test, encourage your child to listen carefully to all test-taking directions given by the teacher. If your child is unclear about what to do, encourage him/her to ask questions to clarify what is required.
- Finally, simply support your child as the final exams testing process begins. Your enthusiasm and love will go a long way in getting your child through these tests. Tell your children that you believe in them and that you are praying for their success.

I am confident our students at Bishop Chatard High School will give their best effort on first semester final exams. Let's especially support our students during the testing window in the week ahead.

For your planning purposes, below is important information along with our final exam schedule:

Students will be released from school at 2:15 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 17, and at 11:05 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Breakfast and lunch will be served on Monday only.

All students are expected to be in attendance on the day of the final. Only students with a study hall are exempt for attending school during the scheduled time. Please pick your son/daughter up by 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday through Thursday of finals week. There is no school on Friday.

Students are expected to be in uniform all next week.

Final exam schedule:

Mon., Dec. 17: Period 1 final 8:55 - 9:55 a.m. (Full day of school, Dismissal at 2:15 p.m.; Students will attend periods 2 - 7 for the rest of the school day.)

Tues., Dec. 18: Period 2 final 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Period 3 final 10:05 - 11:05 a.m.

Wed., Dec. 19: Period 4 final 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Period 5 final 10:05 - 11:05 a.m.

Thursday, Dec. 20: Period 6 final 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Period 7 final 10:05 - 11:05 a.m.