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Dear Parents and Guardians of 7th and 8th grade students:

I hope everyone is enjoying their holiday break with friends and family this holiday season. The first semester of the 2019-2020 school is quickly coming to a close and I would like to inform you of the January midterm testing schedule.

Seventh and eighth graders will be taking midterm exams on **Tuesday, January 21st and Wednesday, January 22nd.**

**Tuesday, January 21st**

**8:00am** English 7  
English 8

**9:50am** Science 7  
Science 8  
Science 7-8 Accel

**12:00pm** Living Environment (Eighth grade honors only)

**Wednesday, January 22nd**

**8:00am** Math 7  
Math 8  
Math 7-8 Accel

**9:50am** Social Studies 7  
Social Studies 8

**12:00pm** Algebra CC (8th grade honors only)

\*All other midterm exams for grades 7 and 8 will occur in class prior to January 20th. The dates of these exams will be communicated by the classroom teacher.

\*\*Only students who have a scheduled exam are expected to be on campus during testing week.

Students will arrive at school on their bus at the normal arrival time. After taking their exams, students will be dismissed at 11:20 unless they are scheduled to take the Living Environment midterm on Tuesday and or the the Algebra CC midterm on Wednesday.

For test security, students are not permitted to have backpacks, bags or personal items at their desk. Students will be required to put personal items in a designated location in the testing room. Therefore, it is suggested that students not bring any valuables on these days. Students will not be permitted to go to their lockers. *Please be advised that the school is not responsible for any lost or damaged items.* Students are expected to comply with all testing procedures and direction of proctors.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are also not permitted (including Apple/Android or other watches with texting capabilities). If a student brings his/her cell phone or smartwatch to the testing site, he/she will be required to turn off the cell phone and leave it in a box on the teacher's desk labeled with his/her name. Other electronic devices including smartwatches will also be collected using the same procedure. Students may pick up cell phones and devices at the time of exit from the testing site. *Please be advised that the school is not responsible for any lost or damaged items. If you are concerned about the safety of the cell phone or other devices, please have your child leave the device/watch at home during the testing period. Please encourage your student to leave non-essential electronic devices at home.*

Please be informed that Hoosic Valley Jr/Sr High School follows the NYS testing policy regarding electronic devices including smartwatches for all local exams as well as state exams. Students found to be in possession of an electronic device during the exam may have his/her exam invalidated.

***In the event that Hoosic Valley has a two-hour delay***, please send your child to school at the delayed hour if he/she has a morning exam.. The local mid year exams will be administered and transportation will be provided at 12:05 p.m. following the administration of morning exams. Afternoon exams will run as regularly scheduled at 12:25. ***In the event of a snow day***, local midterm and final exams will be rescheduled for Monday, January 27th. In the event of school being cancelled or delayed, the district webpage will include updated testing information including the rescheduling of missed local and Regents exams.

***Reminder, there is no school on Monday, January 20th in honor of Martin Luther King.***

If you have any questions regarding the testing schedule, please contact the High School Main Office at 753-4432 ext. #2506 or your child's Guidance Counselor at 753-4432 ext. #2507.

Thank you and have a wonderful 2020!

Sincerely,

Eric Papandrea  
7-12 Principal