



SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

CLEVELAND'S CRISTO REY HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Newsletter: December 2017

Exams Update

Exams are scheduled for the week before Christmas. Students will not work the week of exams except for Seniors who have a work day on Monday, Dec 18th.

The 2017 1st Semester Exam Schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, December 19th: 7:50 am- 11:45 am
- Wednesday, December 20th: 7:50 am- 11:45 am
- Thursday, December 21st: 7:50 am- 11:45 am
- Friday, December 22nd - **Make-Up Day:**
Any student who misses an exam from the 19th-21st **MUST** make it up on this day before break begins. 7:50 am- 11:45 pm

Winter Break begins on the 22nd unless your student needs to make up an exam. Call the main office with questions.

State Testing Updates



Ohio State Test Retakes Start December 4th

Students who still need to pass one of the Ohio State Tests will have a chance to retake them starting December 4th. Students who will be testing have already spoken to Stacy Miller and received an email with information on the test(s) they will be taking.

- Mon December 4 - English Language Arts II (Seniors)
- Tues December 5 - Geometry (Seniors)
- Wed December 6 - English Language Arts I (Juniors)
- Thurs Dec 7 - Biology and American History (Juniors)

- Monday December 11 - Algebra I (Juniors)
- Tuesday December 12 - Makeups - All tests (Seniors)
- Wed Dec 13 - Makeups - All tests (Juniors and Seniors)
- Thursday December 14 - Makeups - All tests (Juniors)

No tests will be administered after December 14th. Passing these tests is a state graduation requirement. Please make sure your student is at school on time for these testing days. If you have any questions on these tests, graduation requirements, or your student's status, please contact Stacy Miller at smiller@stmdphs.org or 216-881-1689 ext. 201.

Important December Dates

- 4th: CWSP Tuesday (11th Grade)
- 4-13th: State Testing
- 11th: CWSP Wednesday (9th Grade)
- 14th: Christmas Family Night
- 16th: Food Bank School Pantry 9:30-11 am
- 18th: End of Quarter 2
- 19th- 21st: Semester Exams (No CWSP) 7:50-11:45 am
- 22nd: Make-Up Day for Exams
- 22nd- Jan 8th: No Classes No CWSP Christmas Break

Text Updates from Saint Martin

In order to receive important text messages from our messenger system like messenger system like snow day alerts, you must do the following:

- Text the letter Y to 68453 You will receive a confirmation text that you have been added to SchoolMessenger.

Please Note: We must have your number on file for the school in order for the messenger to contact you.

CWSP Reminders

Makeup Time

CWSP: Students that need to complete makeup time over Christmas Break can sign up [HERE](#) or email Ms. Musser. If you have missed time, you will be receiving an email in early December to sign up. We will provide transportation Thursday, January 4th and Friday, January 5th for full makeup days only (excludes downtown locations). Students with approved requests will receive confirmation emails prior to the start of break. Email Ms. Musser with questions or concerns: smusser@stmdphs.org.



CWSP wants to hear from you! CWSP will hold Office Hours every **Monday** in the Social Room. If students have any questions, concerns, or would just like to chat, they can do so by visiting the Social Room during their study hall periods on Mondays. We are also available to students and parents the rest of the week in the Annex building located across from the school.

From the Business Office



Tuition

Tuition is due the 10th of every month. If you would like to sign up for automatic credit card payments copies are available in the main office of the school.

SENIOR FAMILIES:

Your student's tuition, fees, and lunch bills must be paid in full by April 27, 2018 for your student to be eligible to participate in any senior events including prom and commencement ceremonies. Students will not receive a diploma unless these financial obligations are met.

If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact Ms. Santiago at 216-361-0099.

Christmas Family Night



WHAT: Saint Martin's Annual Holiday Celebration

WHEN: Thursday, December 14th
5:30-7:30pm

5:45pm - Gospel Choir Concert & Prayer Service

6:30pm - Step Team & HighSteppers Perform

After performances please take part in holiday crafts and activities, as well as opportunities to shop fair trade & in the Saint Martin Spirit Store

WHO: Students, Parents, Families, friends, faculty, staff and community members of Saint Martin

WHERE: Saint Martin de Porres High School Cafegymatorium

WANT TO HELP? If you are interested in volunteering at Christmas Family Night, please contact Mary Carney, Director of Student Life at (216) 881-1689 ext. 318 or by email at mcarney@stmdphs.org.

Calling all Current and Future Bus Drivers!



Saint Martin needs bus drivers! Are you CDL certified? If not, would you like to learn how to be a certified bus driver and earn a starting pay of \$16/hr.?

Qualifications: Class B Commercial Driver License with Passenger Endorsement, (not necessary, but preferred); ***Will Train for Certification and Licensure***; Ohio Dept. of Education Preservice Certificate; Participation in Required Training; Accident-Free Driving Record Required.

Please contact Mrs. Kerry Capka, Human Resource Director at 216-881-1689 ext. 349 if you would like to learn more.

College Counseling Corner



We are continuing to apply for financial aid by completing the FAFSA. Please continue to gather materials (2016 tax returns, W-2s for student and parent) and meet with college counselors as necessary to complete this important application.

Please continue to encourage your senior to apply for scholarships!

SMDP Athletics & Activities Update

MULTIPLE EXPOSURE'S GALLERY OPENING AT THE CLEVELAND PRINT ROOM:
Friday, December 1st from 5:00-8:00pm.

- **WHAT:** See photos by our students who have participated in this 8 week program, exploring instant photography using polaroid cameras
- **ADDRESS:** 2550 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44114
- Photographs will be on display and sold at the Print Room until December 15th

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL SEASONS ARE BEGINNING: please find their schedules on our school website on the Calendar

OHSAA SPORTS PHYSICALS: Reminder that all students participating in a sport at Saint Martin **MUST** have an up to date sports physical on file with the Athletic Director.

- The physical must have been complete in the last 12 months. Physical forms can be found here: http://ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Sports-Medicine/PPE_2017-18.pdf

Cannot get an appointment with your doctor? We have a relationship with Occucenters East Side (4450 St Clair Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103) to get physicals. Please talk with Ms. Carney if you are in need of a physical.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a celebration in which we remember how Mary was born without Original Sin and set apart by God to help bring Jesus into the world. We will come together to celebrate mass at St. Vitus on Friday, December 8th at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!

Mrs. Santiago New Phone Number



If you need to contact Merlyn Santiago in the business office, she now has her own direct line.

You can reach her at [216-361-0099](tel:216-361-0099)

She is still available if you call the main school phone and ask for extension 329.

From Nurse Karen



HEALTH TIPS TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF VIRAL ILLNESS

WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN- especially after bathroom trips and before eating! (remember to wash all parts of your hands including your thumbs. If you didn't wash your thumbs, you didn't wash your hands!)

REST- get a least 7 to 8 hours of sleep each night (turn off your phone/electronic devices 1 hour before going to sleep and maintain "off mode" while sleeping for quality rest time!)

DRINK WATER- hydration is just as important during the winter as in the summer. Keep yourself hydrated- water is best!

COVER YOUR COUGH- use a tissue or your upper sleeve to cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough. Wear a mask to protect others (available in the clinic)

AVOID TOUCHING YOUR NOSE, MOUTH AND OTHER'S ELECTRONIC DEVICES- touching your face/nose/mouth with dirty hands allow germs to enter your respiratory and digestive systems. Touching other's "germy" electronic devices does the same...phones are notorious germ spreaders!

Over-the-counter medications can help symptoms BUT DO NOT cure viruses and antibiotics are prescribed for bacterial illnesses only.

Viral illness can last 1 to 3 weeks (Yes, 1 to 3 weeks!)

Prevention is the BEST way to stay healthy!