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Finals Opt-Outs

• FINAL OPT-OUTS: Up to FOUR opt-outs are possible. See below for details.

- You must have a C or better in that class at a minimum. *Teacher Discretion is allowed and can be stricter. EXAMPLE: 90% or higher may be required to opt out of 8th ELA.*
- *Students who exceed 15% (12 a semester) of unexcused absences for a class period are NOT allowed to opt out of that specific final.**

Here are the five ways that you can earn opt-outs to use:

1. Semester or Cumulative GPA 3.25 +
2. 90%+ Grade in Literacy Period AND 90% Attendance (5 Tardies = 1 Absence, per the handbook)
3. No office disciplinary action (ISS, OSS, etc)
4. Involvement in TWO GJSH clubs, activities, or sports IN THAT SEMESTER
5. Attendance: 3 or fewer absences in a semester (School-sponsored activities do not count)

EXAMPLE: 3.25 GPA, 94% and good attendance in LP, involved in Football and StuCo = THREE finals that you are EXEMPT from in December

GPA

- Students will need to calculate their current semester GPA, and may use existing GPA or up to the last grade check available as of December 8th.
  - If 10th-12th grade students have a higher cumulative GPA, they may use that one. (That GPA can be seen on each student's PowerSchool account.)
  - JH Students who have quarter classes - average the grades
    - **Ex. 1st Q - 90% Woods, 2nd Q 83% Art (90+83=173 / 2 = 87% - B+)**
- GPA Calculations
  - Assign each grade a number (see below), **do not count CC**.
  - Add up the numbers and divide by the number of classes (8)

A	93-100	4.000
A-	90-92	3.667
B+	87-89	3.333
B	83-86	3.000
B-	80-82	2.667
C+	77-79	2.333
C	73-76	2.000
C-	70-72	1.667
D+	67-69	1.333
D	63-66	1.000
D-	60-62	0.667
F	59 & below	0.000

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- Students can turn in signed forms in as early as they want, with the last grade check students can use for GPA being December 8th.
- Teachers will keep a list of who has opted out of their final, and what period.
- Students are not required to attend the class of the final they have opted out of.
- Students will remain in class for the entire period when taking a final. Other students need a testing environment for the entire period.
- **Parent signature is required on the turn-in form so that they know if you will not be in class!**
    - We will have a movie in the auditorium all day for those who opted out and stay in the building. Students will not be allowed to be in the Senior Lounge and or hallways in general due to testing throughout the building.
- **STUDENTS WHO ARE LEAVING EARLY (as in, will not be here the last two days of Finals) CAN ONLY OPT OUT OF ONE EARNED FINAL AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO TAKE FINALS BEFORE THEY LEAVE**
- Varsity basketball players/managers going to Rock Creek will need to take finals early, but will still keep any earned opt outs
- Zeros will be used if a final is not taken.
- Certified staff will keep track of who is opting out of finals for each class. That master document will help you if you miss a few.

SEMESTER FINALS SCHEDULE

-No Literacy Period on either day

Wednesday 12/17:
1st period 7:30 a.m. - 8:57 a.m
2nd period 9:07 a.m. - 10:34 a.m.
JH Lunch/HS CC 10:34 a.m. - 11:14 a.m. HS Lunch/JH CC 11:14 a.m. - 11:54 p.m.
3rd period 11:54 p.m. - 1:21 p.m.
4th period 1:31 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday 12/18:
5th period 7:30 a.m. - 8:47 a.m.
6th period 8:57 a.m. - 10:14 a.m.
7th period 10:24 a.m. - 11:41 a.m.
JH Lunch/HS CC 11:41 a.m. - 12:21 p.m.
HS Lunch/JH CC 12:21 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. EARLY DISMISSAL

Buses will operate at normal times (after 3pm). Students who stay will watch a movie in the auditorium. YOU ARE WELCOME TO LEAVE EARLY OR MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.