Leesville Road High School Bimonthly Bulletin January 6, 2017

Final Exam Schedule

Regardless of the potential of school closures next week, final exams and the end of the semester are likely to occur as scheduled. Based on prior history, WCPSS does not tend to adjust final exam dates and the end of the semester as a result of inclement weather.

Final Exam Dismissal Traffic

This is a reminder that WCPSS bus service is not offered until 2:18 on exam days. (See below for further details). As a result, traffic during exam dismissal is very heavy with 2,500 students leaving at the same time without bus service. Please be patient, especially on the first two days of exams. After the first two days, fewer students are on campus and dismissal traffic is significantly lighter.

Permission to Leave Immediately after Exams

Beginning several years ago, based on a variety of factors at the district level, we are no longer able to offer bus service at the conclusion of our exams. **Instead, we will begin our dismissal and transition to buses at our regularly scheduled time of 2:18 during exam week. With written parental permission, students may still leave campus at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Semester Exams if they do not need bus service. Students who need bus service will be permitted to remain on campus until our regular dismissal time of 2:18. However, on Friday, January 20, all students will be dismissed and buses will depart at 11:48 due to the WCPSS Early Release Day. Permission forms were distributed in 3rd period classes on Friday, January 6 and must be returned by Wednesday, January 11. An extra copy is included with this Bimonthly Bulletin. In light of potential school closings, we will likely accept forms after January 11 but ask you get them in as soon as possible so we can plan for the number of students who might remain on campus after exams.**

SMART Lunch Parent Meeting

On Tuesday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium, we will host a brief parent meeting to review changes to SMART Lunch and answer questions that parents may have. It is important to note that SMART Lunch will continue at the beginning of 2^{nd} semester, but we have made some changes to the structure that we hope will increase the participation and effectiveness.

2nd Semester

 2^{nd} Semester will begin on Wednesday, January 25. Students should report to their 1^{st} Semester period one class. They will spend a brief amount of time there to receive their 2^{nd} Semester schedule and then follow their 2^{nd} Semester schedule.

2nd Semester Schedule Changes

Due to the lack of time between semesters in the WCPSS schedule, schedule changes due to 1st semester failing grades may occur throughout the first week of Semester 2.

BYOD Program

On January 25, 2017, LRHS will join the WCPSS "Bring Your Own Device" (BYOD) program. This optional program permits students to bring their own digital access devices to school for instructional purposes, with parental permission. Please visit <u>http://bit.ly/lrhsbyod</u> for additional information and answers to frequently asked questions.

Student Assignment Notification for 2017-18

School Assignment Notifications for 2017-18 were distributed to students in grades 9-11 in their first period classes earlier this week. Please pay attention to the following information regarding student assignment for next school year. **If you are satisfied with your assignment, no action is required.** If you would like a different school assignment, please request this assignment during the following assignment window: Magnet Application - January 12-31, Early Transfer and Different School Calendar Option - February 22-28. This assignment also provides information about the transportation services for which your student will be eligible. **If your child is assigned to LRHS and under the transportation section it states, "parent provide," it will be the parents' responsibility to provide transportation or request a transfer to a school where transportation but has not been riding, you will need to request services prior to next school year.**

For more detailed information, please refer to your assignment notification or visit Wake County Student Assignment webpage under the parent section on wcpss.net.

Calendar Highlights

- Thursday, January 12: Semester 1 Awards Day in Classes
- Monday, January 16: Holiday
- Wednesday, January 18: Semester 1 Exams Begin
- Friday, January 20: Early Release for WCPSS Students (Exam Day for LRHS)
- Tuesday, January 24: End of Semester 1
- Thursday, January 26: Second Semester Open House 6-8 PM
- Friday, January 27: Teacher Workday
- Thursday, February 2: Principal's Chat for 17-18 Registration in Media Center 6-7
- Friday, February 3: Semester 1 Report Card Distribution
- Thursday, February 9: Rising 9th Grade Open House/AP Night 6-8 PM
- Friday, February 10: Early Release for WCPSS Students

Attachments:

Semester 1 Exam Schedule Semester 1 Parent Permission to Leave at the Conclusion of Exams

Leesville Road High School Exam Schedule January 2017

Wednesday, January 18

7:25 – 9:56	Period 1 NCFE/CTE/Teacher-Made/EOC Review
10:06 - 12:37	Period 2 NCFE/CTE/Teacher-Made/EOC Review
12:37 - 1:10	Lunch
1:16 - 2:18	Period 3 class for students remaining on campus

2:18 Dismissal and bus departure

Thursday, January 19

7:25 – 9:56	Period 3 NCFE/CTE/Teacher-Made/EOC Review
10:06 - 12:37	Period 4 NCFE/CTE/Teacher-Made/EOC Review
12:37 - 1:10	Lunch
1:16 - 2:18	Period 1 class for students remaining on campus
2:18	Dismissal and bus departure

Friday, January 20 (WCPSS Early Release Day)

7:25 - 11:45	English II/Math I EOC
11:48	Dismissal and bus departure

Monday, January 23

Biology EOC/Math I EOC
Lunch
Study hall/downtime in auditorium
Dismissal and bus departure

Tuesday, January 24

7:25	Exam make-up day for all students by appointment
11:45 - 12:15	Lunch
12:21 - 2:18	Study hall/downtime in auditorium
2:18	Dismissal and bus departure

Wednesday, January 25

1st day of 2nd semester

Thursday, January 26

Open House 6:00 PM

Notes:

- 1. In the left column, CTE stands for Career & Technical Education.
- 2. All buses will run at 2:18 on exam days.
- 3. Students may leave campus at the conclusion of exams with a completed permission form signed by their parent(s). Once students leave campus for the day, they may not return.
- 4. Students remaining on campus after exams are to report to lunch and the designated class or area for the day.
- 5. All students should report to school on January 18 and January 19. On January 20 and 23, **only** students with a scheduled EOC should report to campus.
- 6. Students should speak with their math teacher if they are unclear on which day they should take the Math I EOC.
- 7. Make-up exams will be administered by appointment with the teacher.
- 8. Students must be present at the beginning of each exam period to take the exam. Students must be present for the entire exam period to receive credit for the exam.
- 9. Students who are on campus during an exam period for which they do not have an exam or scheduled review session must report to Student Services.
- 10. The campuses of Leesville Road Elementary School and Leesville Road Middle School, as well as other Wake County schools, are strictly off limits on these dates to Leesville Road High School students.
- 11. In all courses with an End-of-Course (EOC) test, North Carolina Final Exam (NCFE), or Teacher-Made Exam, the test shall count as 20% of the student's final grade. The only exception is Math II and III NCFEs, which are in a pilot year and will not be used as part of the student's course average.



January 5, 2017

Dear Parents:

As has been the case over the past several years, we are no longer able to offer bus transportation immediately following exams (with the exception of the early release day on Friday, January 20). **Instead, we will begin our dismissal and transition to buses at our regularly scheduled time of 2:18 during exam week. With written parental permission, students may still leave campus at the conclusion of 1st and 2nd Semester Exams if they do not need the 2:18 bus or other transportation arrangements. Students who need bus or other transportation arrangements will be permitted to remain on campus until our regular dismissal time of 2:18.**

1st Semester Exams will be held Wednesday, January 18 through Tuesday, January 24.
Exams will end at 12:37 on Wednesday and Thursday.
Exams will end at 11:45 on Friday and Monday. (Buses will depart at 11:48 instead of 2:18 on Friday due to the WCPSS Early Release day).
Tuesday is an exam make-up day.
2nd Semester Exams are scheduled from June 5 through June 9.

Below, please indicate whether or not you give your child permission to leave campus at the conclusion of exams for the fall and spring semesters. Only students with a completed form providing parental permission may leave campus at the conclusion of exams. Please note that only students remaining on campus will be allowed to ride the bus at 2:18. Once students leave campus, they may not return to ride the bus. Parents who wish to rescind permission for their child to leave campus at the conclusion of the spring exams may email Kathy Flor at kflor@wcpss.net

Please check one of the lines below and complete the requested information. Completed forms must be returned to 3rd period teachers by Wednesday, January 11, 2017.

I give my student permission to leave campus at the conclusion of 1st <u>and</u> 2nd Semester Exams and understand that bus service will not be provided.

I do <u>not</u> give my student permission to leave campus at the conclusion of 1st <u>and</u> 2nd Semester Exams and would like him/her to remain on campus until 2:18.

Name of Student (print neatly): _____

Name of Parent (print neatly): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Period 3 Teacher: _____