

Second Floor Scoop

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STUDENTS



Programming

Online programming, which requires students to go to Daedalus to request classes for the following year, is done only once for the whole year. For the next school year, 2013-2014, online programming will start in March. Look for more information at the beginning of next month.

For the Spring Term, as we are following an annualized schedule, students will continue to work with the same teacher for most of their subjects. For art, each spring class will be the second of the pair that students requested last school year. Program changes are not done midyear.

Acceptable reasons for a student to request a program change for the Spring Term follow:

REASON 1: There is a gap in the schedule that the student would like to fill (without changing anything else).

REASON 2: The student is scheduled for a class he or she previously passed.

REASON 3: The student is missing one of the academic subjects he or she needs to graduate, such as Health

REASON 4: The student is missing a studio class.

REASON 5: The student participates on a spring school team sport and does not have Team Sports on the schedule or the student needs to drop Team Sports for the Spring.



Strong Recommendation for Juniors

Any junior who plans to take a double-period science class in senior year should speak with his or her guidance counselor about registering for Health for the second semester! This option is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Next year's schedule will not include this double-period science class if there is not space within a ten-period day for all requested courses. Some of these include the required Lunch, Gym, and Health classes; therefore, it is important that these juniors should register for Health now.

TEACHERS



Please Abide by the Testing Schedule

Any teacher who does not follow the schedule creates an added burden on the student's day. If a teacher has a specific reason to switch the day, he or she is asked to contact Ms. van Keulen at X2261. Thank you.

LaGuardia Testing Schedule

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Social Studies	English	Science	Mathematics
	Health/P.E.	Studio	World Languages

Quizzes taking 15 minutes or less to complete do not conflict with the school's Testing Schedule.



Interim Reports

Thank you for submitting interim reports. The feedback you provided to parents will help students focus their efforts appropriately.

TEACHERS (CONTINUED)



New Due Date for Grades

Grades are now due at 9 a.m. on Thursday, December 6. Revisions are now due by 12 p.m. on Friday, December 7. Report cards will be distributed on Monday, December 10.



Grading Policies for Fall 2012

Class grades are calculated according to the departmental grading policies that were established in September.

The following numeric grades may be assigned: **passing: 65-100 in increments of 1, failing: 55 or 60, and medically excused/no credit: 7.**

The following interim grades may be entered but must eventually be changed to a numeric grade on the student's transcript in order for the student to be awarded class credit:

New or recently arrived students: Students who enroll in a course after it has started may have missed assignments or assessments needed to generate a complete course grade for a given marking period. These students may be given a grade of **1** but must complete the remaining course requirements by the end of the semester following the termination of the course in order to receive a final grade and credit, as applicable.

No show: A grade of **45** is given to a student who fails to attend a course and does not participate in any of the work from which a grade can be derived.

PARENTS



Interim Progress Reports

Interim Reports were mailed home on Tuesday, November 27. You may receive one of these progress updates this week. Parents should not hesitate to contact teachers with any questions or concerns.



Daedalus Tutorial

If you are the parent or guardian of an incoming ninth or tenth grade student, you will receive by mail a tutorial on Daedalus, our schoolwide system for communication.

Students and parents are asked to familiarize themselves with this Web-based communication system. On Daedalus, you can see your child's grades, schedule, and absence and lateness reports. Daedalus is the place where your child will select classes for next year; therefore, it is essential to have such an account and be familiar with it. In addition, Daedalus is used to register for AP exams. If you do not have a Daedalus account, please contact Ms. Kas Wilson at kwilson@schools.nyc.gov.



Student Biographical Corrections

The school stresses the importance of communication with parents via mail; therefore, it is important that your correct address be on file. If you change your address, please bring the Student Biographical Corrections form and proper identification to Ms. LaMonica in The Program Office (Room 201). The form is at LaProgram.org in the Attendance Documents section. Be sure to bring your child's birth certificate and proper documentation.

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2012-2013 Midyear Exam Schedules

Midyear exams will be administered during an 80-minute bell period. Students with extended time will take the finals in the library following a special schedule.

Monday January 14		Tuesday January 15		Wednesday January 16	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
4	8:30 – 9:50	2	8:30 – 9:50	1	8:30-9:50
OP	9:55-10:05	OP	9:55-10:05	BREAK	9:50-10:05
5	10:10-11:30	8	10:10-11:30	3	10:10-11:30
BREAK	11:30-11:45	BREAK	11:30-11:45	BREAK	11:30-11:45
6	11:45 – 1:05	9	11:45– 1:05	10	11:45-1:05
BREAK	1:05-1:20 Grab-n-go lunch available in 5 th floor cafeteria for students with period 8 lunch	Lunch: Optional 9&10 Grades: 5 th floor cafeteria 11&12 Grades: 7 th floor cafeteria	1:05-1:20	Lunch: Optional 9&10 Grades: 5 th floor cafeteria 11&12 Grades: 7 th floor cafeteria	1:05-1:20
7	1:20 – 2:40				

The make-up will be offered *after school* on Thursday, January 17.

January 2013 Regents Examinations

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JANUARY 2013

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

JANUARY 22 TUESDAY 9:15 a.m.	JANUARY 23 WEDNESDAY 9:15 a.m.	JANUARY 24 THURSDAY 9:15 a.m.	JANUARY 25 FRIDAY 9:15 a.m.
Integrated Algebra	Living Environment	RE in U.S. History & Government Geometry	RE in Global History & Geography
1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	Uniform Admission Deadlines
Comprehensive English Physical Setting/Physics*	Algebra 2/Trigonometry	Physical Setting/Earth Science Physical Setting/Chemistry	Morning Examinations – 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations – 2:00 p.m.