

## May 13, 2022 Email

*Dear Washington Latin Families,*

**PARCC testing is taking place at Latin between *Tuesday, May 10 through Friday, May 27.***

We have completed the first week of PARCC, along with our DC Science tests and all AP exams. While a couple of testing sessions were rescheduled within this first week, we have completed the first portion and are ready for next week. Please see below for testing requirements and updates on each grade's schedule. The end of year activities are also outlined below, and more information will follow.

### **PARCC REQUIREMENTS**

Because the PARCC is administered across DC and in schools across the country, there are strict rules that **MUST** be followed by the school, test proctors, and testing students while in a PARCC testing session, including:

- **All students MUST bring their school-issued Chromebooks every day of testing.**
- Chromebooks **MUST be fully charged.** Even if students are used to having access to outlets in classrooms, that is not possible for all students in the MPR where testing takes place, so **PLEASE** make sure that they charge up at home!
- **Phones, backpacks, and other bags are not allowed in the testing room.** Students will be encouraged to leave them in lockers or hand them in to the proctor for the duration of the test. This is **VERY** important, as PARCC monitors will visit testing sites, including Latin, and can disqualify results if they see phones in the testing room (either student or adult!)
- **If students finish early, they may read a book they bring from home,** but nothing on a digital device nor any schoolwork or textbook.
- **Students are not allowed to bring any food or drink** into the testing room.
- Everyone will do better with **a good night's sleep and good breakfast** -- please encourage this for your children at home!

### **PARCC TESTING AND END OF YEAR SCHEDULE**

#### **Next week - May 16-20**

- **Middle School - Grades 5-8**
  - **5th:** No testing; regular schedule.
  - **6th:** Testing Monday only. Students will begin the day in advisory and test in the mornings, then continue the day on a modified schedule.

- **7th & 8th:** Students will begin each day in advisory and test in the mornings, then continue the day on a modified schedule.
- **Upper School - Grades 9-12**
  - **Monday 5/16** - Grades 9, 11, and 12 report to school at 10:00 am; 10th grade reports at the regular time (8:10 Advisory start)
  - **Tuesday 5/17 - Friday 5/20** - Grades 9 and 10 report at the regular time (8:10 Advisory start); Grades 11 and 12 report at 10:00 am.
  - Arrival time Summary by grade:
    - **9th:** Monday 5/16 arrive by 10:00 am; Tuesday 5/17 - Friday 5/20 arrive for 8:10 start.
    - **10th:** Monday 5/16 - Friday 5/20 arrive for 8:10 start.
    - **11th:** Monday 5/16 - Friday 5/20 arrive by 10:00 am.
    - **12th:** Monday 5/16 - Friday 5/20 arrive by 10:00 am.
  - Students who are testing will begin each day in advisory and test in the mornings, then continue the day on a modified schedule.

### **May 23 - 27 PARCC Make-up Tests and 8-12 Finals Review**

- All grades 5-12 report at the regular time (8:10 Advisory start), and all grades will follow the regular schedule all week.
- **5th & 6th:** Students will begin each day in advisory and test in the mornings, then continue the day on a modified schedule.
- Any students who were not present for PARCC testing during this week or the week of 5/16 will complete make-up tests. The testing will take place in the mornings, and then students will join their classes on the regular schedule.
- Grades 8-12 will have a normal schedule all week focused on review for final exams.

### **May 31 - June 3 Finals (grades 8-12), Classes Wrap-Up (grades 5-7)**

- Monday, May 30 is Memorial Day - no school!
- Grades 5-7 - Tuesday, May 31 - Friday, June 3
  - All students report to school at the regular time (8:10 Advisory start) and follow a regular schedule all week.
  - While some classes will have tests, these grades do not have final exams.
- Grades 8-12 - Finals Week Tuesday, May 31 - Friday, June 3
  - Tuesday, May 31 - last day of final review, report at the regular time (8:10 Advisory start)
  - Wednesday, June 1 - Friday, June 3 Exam Days
    - Two final exams will be scheduled each day by content area (to be announced later this month). Each exam lasts two hours.
    - Students only need to be at school for their final exams; they do not have to come to school if they do not have an exam and may leave once they are done with the day's exams. If

they have two exams scheduled on the same day, they will have a break in between.

- Each exam day will also have tutorial for the next day's exams (a chance for students to talk to their teachers with any final questions).
- Students may bring water and snacks, and school lunch will be available on all exam days.
- Make up and "7th class" exams will be on Monday, June 7.

### **June 6 - June 10 Celebration Week**

Students in all grades will have a range of activities this week, from overnight field trips to Valediction. In addition, we are planning special year-end field trips for several grades. Stay tuned for more details. The main events include:

- Monday, June 6 - Final Exam make-ups or "7th class" exams for those taking extra courses.
- Tuesday, June 7 - 9th & 10th Grade Activity at Latin; Junior/Senior Overnight at Sandy Hill
- Thursday, June 9 - Middle School Valedictions, last day for grades 5-8
- Friday, June 10 - Upper School Valediction, last day for grades 9-11; Senior Luncheon and Graduation rehearsal
- Monday, June 13 - Graduation at UDC!

If you have questions about anything outlined here, please let me know. We will continue to share more details in the days to come.

***James Kelly, Principal***