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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As I shared with our staff yesterday morning, "... and snow it begins ..." (adapted from *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers*).

With six weeks to go in the semester and the holiday break in view, we encourage our students to remain focused on their learning. While the urgency of grades understandably is a first and foremost concern for many, it is learning that should be the focus of the work. In many ways, the tension between grades and learning distracts from the amazing growth we see in many of our students. The question of growth is the one, true measure of learning, whether it occurs during a semester or over the span of several years.

To that end, we would like to invite you to a **Celebration of Learning on Thursday, January 11, 2018** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

The event will showcase the many accomplishments of our students as they present exemplars of their work. It will feature original artwork, projects, presentations, and performances representing courses in the areas of agriculture, calculus, ceramics, engineering, German, health and wellness, history, literature, marketing, music, philosophy, photography, psychology, science, Spanish, studio art, woodworking, and more!

The next six weeks also bring concerts, celebrations, as well as many field trips. There are opportunities to participate in a world language poetry recitation contest, to sing for community members, to be part of Youth and Government activities, and more.

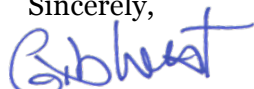
Final Exams

For our freshmen parents, and as a reminder to all parents, we will hold end-of-semester exams over a three-day period. We anticipate finals on January 24th and 25th, with a planned make-up day on the 26th. This preliminary schedule is subject to change, should we experience multiple snow closings before that time. All final exam days end at 11:30 am. Our buses will do an abbreviated run at that time, followed by a regular run at 2:20 pm. If you have any questions, please watch for website announcements or contact us.

Upcoming Events

- Monday, December 18, 2017 Q2 PowerSchool progress reports, updated and available
- Tuesday, December 19, 2017 Winter Concert @ 6:30 (snow date on the 20th)
- Thursday, January 11, 2018 Celebration of Learning 6:00 to 8:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 24, 2018 Final Exams (Blocks 1 and 2)
- Thursday, January 25, 2018 Final Exams (Block 3 and 4)
- Friday, January 26, 2018 Final Exams (make-ups)

Sincerely,


Gib West