

Spring Newsletter

HOW TO FINISH STRONG

We know that the end of the school year is the most difficult time of the year. You're exhausted from working hard all year and want to take it easy. Plus it's getting nice outside and you'd rather play with your friends than do homework. All of this is normal, but it doesn't mean that you don't have to keep pushing and finish the year strong. End of the year grades matter, too! Here are the best things to remember when you're tired but need to keep going.

1. Set goals — Whether it's to keep up your grades, turn in all assignments, or anything else. Recognizing your goals will help you achieve them. Even better, write them down! Put them somewhere you look everyday as a reminder that you are close to the end.
2. Stay organized — This can be the hardest part. Keep track of all your assignments, papers, etc. If you have a hard time with this, find some apps or other tools that'll help. There are some recommendations in the Guidance office.
3. Don't procrastinate — We know this is harder than it looks, and that you've probably heard this a thousand times. If telling yourself not to procrastinate doesn't work for you, try setting limits. Before you start a project, set a timer for 5 minutes and allow yourself to chill. Then try doing the task for 5 minutes. Odds are, you'll get a lot more done.
4. Get motivated — Remember why you've been working hard all year. The college of your dreams, being sports eligible, graduation, whatever! Give yourself rewards and penalties if you need extra motivation.
5. Take a time out — Feeling overwhelmed? Go outside and take a break! Just because you have work to do doesn't mean you can't take care of yourself. You'll be more productive if you work for half an hour and reward yourself with a ten minute break outside.
6. Focus — The finish line is in sight, you just have to focus on it and you can do it!



IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

April 4.....TVDA Ses. End
April 12.....Early Release
April 12..Last Day of Interim
April 13.....Prom
April 15.....Start of CCP Scheduling
April 22 & 23...2-Hour Delay
May 22.....Last Day
May 28.....TVDA Summer Start



HAVE SUMMER PLANS? YOU SHOULD!

Summer. Long days and seemingly longer nights of hanging out with friends, shopping for your dorm room, going on vacation, working to save up money. No school or stress of getting a good grade. Why would anyone think of doing work over the summer? Well, we can think of a few reasons. Summer is often a time when students back track on what they learned the previous year and lose focus on their academic and career goals. Here's a secret — you don't have to! Summer is a *great* time to participate in pre-college programs. Think that doesn't sound fun? Well, you're wrong.

Find summer programs on our website at <http://bit.ly/2WsWfoA>

1. Get a head start on your freshmen year of college. Doing pre-college programs can give you college credit and will make you feel more prepared.
2. I-N-D-E-P-E-N-D-E-N-C-E. Sound appealing? When you go to college, you will be on your own. Preparing for that will help you out a lot in the long run.
3. Test drive college—or THE college. Figure out if that school is **actually** your dream school.
4. Figure out what you love, before you dedicate 4 year to something and get a degree you don't even want to use.
5. Meet new people and HAVE FUN.

“Spring adds new life and new beauty to all that is.” - Jessica Harrelson

COLLEGE EVENTS

**The Ohio State University,
Newark**

Buckeye Visit Day, April 6

Gannon University

Hackathon, April 6 & 13

**Mount Carmel College of
Nursing**

Open House, April 10 & May 15

For events like this, **and more**, go to <http://bit.ly/2WsWfoA>

JUST KEEP SWIMMING

The year isn't over yet! You still have 7 weeks until summer break!

- Interim: April 12
- End of Course tests:
 - ELA: April 8-16
 - Math: April 22-23
 - Social Studies: April 29-30
 - Science: May 6-7
 - **These are a graduation requirement. Do your best!**
- AP tests:
 - Spanish: May 7
 - English & French: May 8
 - Calculus: May 14
- You need 21 credits to graduate.
 - If you did not pass a core class first semester, you need to make up that credit in the digital academy.
 - If you got a D- in the third quarter, you **cannot** get an F in the fourth quarter or you will fail.
 - If you got an F in the fourth quarter, you have to get a **D or higher** in order to pass.
 - If you fail the second half of a core class, **you will have to make it up through the digital academy over the summer.** This will cost \$50.