



DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

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Hello all,

Next week marks the end of the third quarter (3/3). Today I want to make you aware of some additional opportunities your children will have to meet individually with their teachers. The first is Wednesday, March 1st—“**Power Hour**.” The schedule for the 1st will be the same as our typical Wednesday schedule. I, however, will not have any formal professional development for our teachers. Instead, they will be in their classrooms from 7:45-9:15 willing to help students with test preparation, make-up assignments, etc.

The second additional opportunity to meet with individual teachers presents a small change to our calendar. Friday, March 3rd will be a half day of school starting at 7:45 and ending at 12:05. Teachers will be in their classrooms from 12:05 to 3:00. That time presents students with another opportunity to meet with teachers one last time before the end of the quarter. Unlike Power Hour, students may need to schedule a time to meet with their teachers, but the hours between 12 and 3 will be set aside for those meetings to happen. If students wish to leave at 12:05 they may, but we encourage them to stay and get the help they need.

Finally, I wanted to quickly remind everyone how we determine grades. Duchesne divides the academic year into semesters and quarters. Semester grades are the only grades that are presented on a student's transcript. They are also the only grades used to determine a student's cumulative GPA. We figure semester grades using the following calculations: the first quarter is worth 40% of the grade, the second quarter is worth 40%, and the final is worth 20%.

Pax,

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Upcoming Events

February 24

Boys Basketball District Championship: Tonight at 7:00 the boys basketball team plays in the district championship. Help us pack the stands.

February 25

Girls Basketball District Championship: Saturday afternoon at 1:00 the girls basketball team plays in the district championship. Again, help us pack the stands. Both the boys and the girls games will be played at Duchesne.

February 27

Spring Sports Begin: The spring sports season begins on February 27. Our mild winter almost certainly assures very cold opening weeks for our outdoor sports. Bundle up.

March 1

Power Hour: We will not have formal professional development for our teachers. Instead, the teachers will be available in their rooms from 7:45 to 9:00, allowing students to get additional help as we approach the end of the quarter.

March 3

Half Day/End of Quarter: The end of the 3rd quarter is March 3rd. We will dismiss at 12:05 that day. Teachers will be in their rooms from 12:00-3:00 to assist with end of the quarter concerns.

March 2-4

The Little Mermaid: Our Spring musical is *The Little Mermaid*. Tickets will go on sale Tuesday, February 21st. The show begins each night at 7:00. Come join us "Under the Sea."

March 6-10

Mission Week: More details next week.

March 13-17

Spring Break