

Board Report

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We are almost halfway through March and that means we are halfway through the second semester. The following are some important upcoming dates at the high school.

- *March 9 & 11 - High School Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:45-7:45)
- *March 12-14 – Class C-1 Boys State Basketball Tournament – GO FALCONS!
- *March 13-22 – Spring Break
- *April 7 – State Junior NeSA-ACT, Freshman/Sophomore PreACT, Seniors Off
- *April 11 – Junior/Senior Prom, Countryside Venue 7:00-10:00
- *April 27– Fine Arts Awards Concert 6:30
- *April 29 – Leadership Dinner / NHS 6:30
- *May 1 – Senior Scholarship Breakfast 7:00AM
- *May 4 & 5 – Senior Final Exams
- *May 6 – Senior Last Day / Graduation Practice
- *May 10 – Graduation 2:00
- *May 19, 20, & 21– Final Exams / Student Last Days (Tentative Due to Snow Days)

Due to recent technology issues, the Junior NeSA-ACT & 9-10 PreACT will be taken on paper rather than on school iPads. The testing date has also been moved from April 1st to April 7th to fit the required paper testing date. Freshmen and sophomores will be taking the PreACT while juniors will be taking the State NeSA-ACT test. Seniors will not have school on April 7th. The DC West NeSA-ACT composite score average last year was 19.5 while the state average was 18.2. In January and February, all juniors met individually with their math, science, and ELA teachers to set personal ACT goals for each subject area of the test. Five, two-hour sessions of John Baylor ACT test prep were also offered in January and February to help students prepare. Juniors will receive the results of the test at the beginning of May.