

## **County Central High School**

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## **Exceptional Education**

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Dear parents & guardians,

As we prepare to wrap up another school year, I would like to share a few information items with you. Firstly, we have changed the process for our end-of-year assessments. We will not be holding final exams in the traditional sense; rather, teachers will be assessing students using final projects, summative assignments, or low-stakes tests. The purpose behind this change is to reduce some of the stress our students are feeling and to take away the pressure of having high-stakes final exams.

The change to our final assessments means that there is no need for an exam week; all final assessments will be completed during class time. As such, our last day of classes will be June 22nd, 2021. Students are not required to attend school after June 22nd unless their presence is requested by a teacher, and there will be no exams after June 22nd. June 23rd-25th will be days for staff to mark final assessments, prepare final grades, check in with students, and offer alternative assignments or catch-up work for students who are behind. Final marks will be available on June 29th.

We will be sharing details about school start-up at the beginning of August. In preparation for the new school year I would ask that you keep the following dates for our return to classes in mind:

September 1st Grade 7 and 10 students only
September 2nd Grade 8 and 11 students only
September 3rd Grade 9 and 12 students only

September 7th All students

Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you all have a safe and restful summer break!

Sincerely,

Leanne Hellman