

# Trojan Parentline

January 15, 2018

## **East Lansing High School**

509 Burcham Drive

East Lansing, MI 48823

Phone: 517-333-7500

Fax: 517-333-7559

Attendance Line: 517-333-7567

School Hours: 7:45am - 2:34pm

Office Hours: 7:00am - 4:00pm

## **General Information:**

Attendance: 517-333-7567

elhsattendance.elhsa@elps.us

Please leave your students name,  
grade and reason for absence.

EXCEL is a required academic  
period on Tuesday and Thursday.  
All students must be with a teacher,  
counselor or the media specialist  
during EXCEL.

Visitors must report to the main office  
and receive a visitor's pass in order  
to access the building during school  
hours.

East Lansing High School is a closed  
campus during lunch for freshmen  
and sophomore students.

[Contact information](#) for high school  
employees is available on our website.

## **Trojan T.U.R.F. - Trust, Unity, Respect and Fairness**

Trojan T.U.R.F is a philosophy utilized in all areas of interaction at East Lansing High School. Research indicates that when a school environment is positive and predictable, students feel safe, have better academic performance, higher test results and make better behavior choices. Schools also show a gain in instructional time and a reduction in discipline referrals and out of school suspensions.

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# Principal's Letter



Dear East Lansing Families,

Welcome back! I hope you each enjoyed the winter break and special time with family and friends. We have returned to our normal school routines and are gearing up for first semester final exams, which will be administered January 24-26. The end of the first marking period is a busy and stressful time, so please continue to support your student's wellbeing by encouraging him/her to get appropriate rest and nutrition during the testing period.

In February we will begin the course selection and scheduling process for the 2018-19 school year. School counselors will provide students with new course information and the opportunity to participate in preliminary course selection. As we move through the process, we will engage in dialogue with staff members to determine the parameters which will guide scheduling. Our goal is to complete various phases of the process in a timely manner to allow for necessary adjustments prior completing the final version of the master schedule. As we move forward in the process, we will keep you informed so that you can engage in a conversation with your student about their course preferences for next school year.

East Lansing High School will once again participate in the Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth survey (MiPHY). The survey is supported by the Michigan Departments of Education and Health and Human Services. The survey consists of a number of questions that ask about the health and behaviors of 9th and 11th grade students, and will focus on behaviors and attitudes related to nutrition, physical activity, injuries, tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use. It will also ask about sexual behaviors that lead to pregnancy, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. The survey will be presented in an online format and students will have the opportunity to complete the survey at a private computer terminal in order to protect each student's privacy. Please note: the survey is voluntary and students will not be asked to provide their name or any other identifying information.

A point of celebration: Our Positive Behavior Support Program had a successful first semester. Trojan TURF has identified over 200 students displaying Trust, Unity, Respect, or Fairness in and around the school. Students have won prizes such as gift cards to local businesses. These referrals have been sent home in the mail to share the positive behaviors with parents.

Thanks for being our partners in education. Go Blue...Go White...Go Trojans!

Principal, East Lansing High School

# Student Services

## ***Drops and Adds – Spring Semester***

Please have your students log on to Powerschool to take a look at their 2nd semester schedules. 2nd semester drops/adds will occur in Student Services on Wednesday, January 24th and Thursday, January 25th from school dismissal until 12:30pm in student services. Students can pick up the drop/add form in student services and will need a parent signature to approve any core class change. Many 2nd semester classes are full, so the counselors may not be able to accommodate a student's request due to the class numbers.

## ***PSAT Information***

The PSAT scores for the test date that some of our student's elected to take in October are now available. Students may pick up their score reports in student services. Students will also need to make an account at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). ELHS also does not have the ability to troubleshoot College Board account issues. Students will need to contact College Board if they need help setting up their account or accessing their scores.

## ***Scheduling Information for 2018-2019 School Year***

Counselors will be hosting grade level assemblies during excels to hand out registration information. Juniors – Tuesday, February 6th, Sophomores – Thursday, February 8th, and Freshman – February 13th.

Students will meet with their counselors to request their courses for the 2018-2019 school year. Appointment times will be posted outside of student services starting on February 5th. Juniors will schedule February 21st, 22nd, and 23rd. Sophomores will schedule February 27th, 28th, and March 1st and 2nd. Freshman will schedule March 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th.

We will be hosting a ***Junior Parent Night*** on ***Thursday, February 8th at 7pm in the Student Union***. At this presentation, we will be going over what junior parents need to expect as their children move towards their senior year in high school. Topics such as graduation, college applications, NCAA clearinghouse, etc will be covered.

We are still working out the details of how scheduling will work for the 8th graders. We will share those details in the next issue of Parentline for those of you that may have a current 8th grader.

## ***Dual Enrollment and Online Grades – Fall Semester***

Students are required to turn in grade reports if they took a fall dual enrollment or online class. These grade reports need to be turned in to student services so that the registrar can place them on a student's transcript.

## ***Seventh Semester Transcripts***

Seventh semester transcripts will be available for students in the graduating class of 2018 at the end of January. Many colleges will request 7th semester transcripts from our students.

Direct to College - Students may request their 7th semester transcripts through [parchment.com](http://parchment.com) at any time. Transcripts will be sent out as soon as they are finalized.

Common App – If the original application was submitted through common app, counselors will automatically send out a 7th semester transcript once the transcripts are finalized.

**\*\*NO FORM IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF STUDENTS.**

## ***Financial Aide Night***

ELHS Student Services is proud to offer a Financial Aide Night on January 24th at 7 pm in the Student Union. Representatives from Davenport University will be giving a very informative presentation about the FAFSA, different types of aide available, and much, much more. This presentation is mostly geared towards families with high school seniors..... but families with underclassman are encouraged and welcome to attend and will get good information from it.

# Attendance Appeals

## Attendance Appeal Form 2017-2018 First Semester

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance appeals are for students with **10 OR MORE ABSENCES**, (excused and/or unexcused), including tardies (three tardies equals 1 absence) per semester/per class.

**Forms must be signed by both parent/guardian and student and be returned to the main office by the end of the day on Monday, January 29, 2018**

**If you don't hear from the office, then you can assume it is approved. If further information is needed you will be notified.**

Explain rationale for appeal as it directly relates to the attendance policy in the Student Handbook and printed on the back of this page and why the loss of credit should be waived:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

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Student Signature

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Office Use Only

Approved ☐

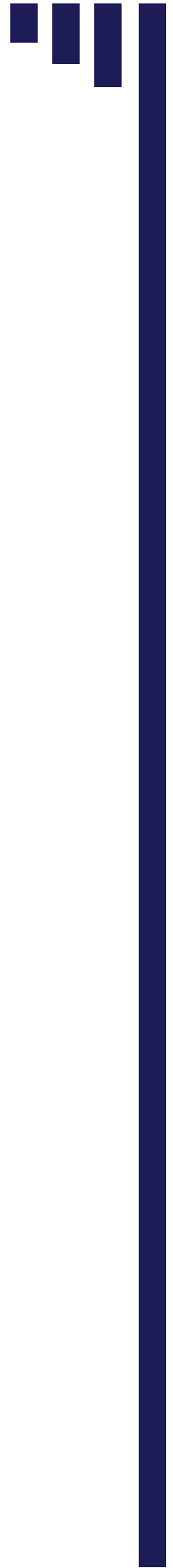
Denied ☐

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Attendance Policy



## Student Absences

There are two types of absences: excused and unexcused. Excused absences include: illness, observance of a religious holiday, death in the immediate family, family emergency, situations beyond the control of the student, circumstances that cause reasonable concern to the parent/guardian for the student's safety or health, or other reason as approved by the principal. All other absences are considered unexcused. Pre-arranged excused absences must be approved by the principal.

The school may require documentation explaining the reason for the student's absence.

In the event of any absence, the student's parent or guardian is required to call the school at 517-333-7567 to explain the reason for the absence within 48 hours of the absence. Failure to do so shall result in an unexcused absence.

\*To earn credit in a course, absences must not exceed nine (9) total absences (excused and unexcused) in each class per semester. A student with 10 or more absences who earned a passing grade in a course and scored a minimum 78% on a comprehensive final exam for the course will receive credit. Any student not meeting this requirement will need to follow the appeal process in order to receive credit.

\*ALL absences will count toward the allowable limit with the exemption of school related absences, religious observances and extended medical absences. There is no distinction made between an excused or unexcused absence (except for purposes of providing make-up work).

\*Without an excused note, 10 minutes tardy is counted as an absence in class. Three tardies to class equals one absence.

## **APPEAL PROCESS**

Students may appeal the withholding of credit due to excessive absences by completing the attendance appeal form.

At the time of the appeal, the student's attendance file will be reviewed. The high school administration will examine the following documentation provided by the parents:

- \*Religious observations
- \*Funerals
- \*Doctor/dental appointments
- \*Court dates
- \*Recurring illness/extended illness
- \*Pre-arranged absences

# 2017-18 Test Dates



## EAST LANSING HIGH SCHOOL 2016-2017 TENTATIVE TEST DATES

GRADE	WHERE	TEST	DATE
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part I	Tuesday, October TBD
9,10,11	ELHS	PSAT/NMSQT	Wednesday, October 11, 2017
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
All	ELHS	MMP Competition, Part II (Only eligible students from Part I)	Wednesday, December TBD
<b>JANUARY</b>			
ALL AP	ELHS	AP EXAM REGISTRATION FORMS AND FEES pay in main office	Month of January, 2018
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC) Registration	January 8-12, 2018
All	ELHS	HS 1st Semester Exams	January 24,25,26
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
All	ELHS	AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS (AMC)	Wednesday, February 7, 2018
11th	ELHS	REQUIRED SAT PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	TBD, March 27, 2018
11th	ELHS	REQUIRED SAT PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL	TBD, March 29, 2018
<b>APRIL</b>			
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	SAT	Tuesday, April 10, 2018
	ELHS	ACT WORKKEYS	Wednesday, April 11, 2018
11th & eligible 12th	ELHS	M-STEP (MICHIGAN SCIENCE , MICHIGAN SOCIAL STUDIES)	Thursday, April 12, 2018
9th & 10th	ELHS	PSAT	Tuesday, April 10, 2018
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL A - K	TBD, April 24, 2018
All AP	ELHS	REQUIRED AP PRE-BUBBLE SESSION - EXCEL L - Z	TBD, April 26, 2018
<b>MAY</b>			
All AP	ELHS AND MSU	ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS	Monday, May 7 - 18, 2018
<b>June</b>			
All	ELHS	HS 2nd Semester Exams	June 13, 14, 15



# AP Exam Registration

## 2018 AP Exam Registration Registration Forms Due by February 2, 2018

### STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

M.I.

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please see above signature line if you need accommodations**

**List the Exams and date of exams that you are taking.**

**Studio Art students: indicate Drawing, 2-D, or 3-D.**

**(See list of exams on reverse side or next page):**

1.	4.
2.	5.
3.	6.

### Check One:

\_\_\_ Regular Exam: **\$99 per exam**

\_\_\_ Fee-Reduced\* Exam: \$58 per exam \* Student has qualified for free or reduced-price lunch program.

**Total # of Exams Ordered:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check #** \_\_\_\_\_ (payable to ELPS)/Cash Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

### REFUND POLICY

- If a student registers for an exam and cancels before March 1, 2018, a refund of \$60.00 will be issued.
- Once a student begins an exam, no portion of the fee is refundable.

### PREADMINISTRATION SESSION

**All students must participate in a pre-administration session to complete exam-related paperwork during excel on the following days: Last names A – K Tuesday, **TBD** and Last Names L – Z Thursday, **TBD****

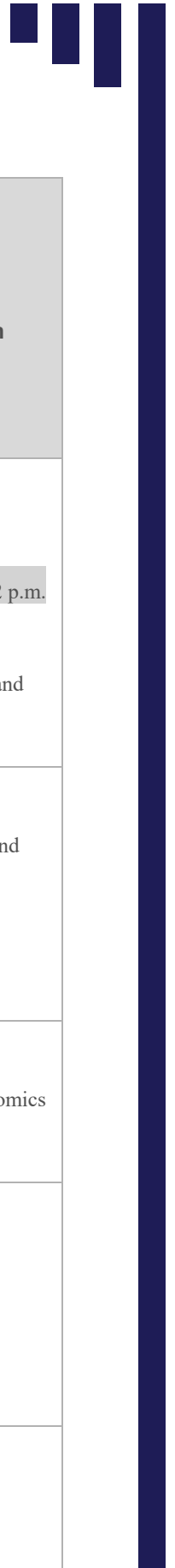
**ACCOMMODATIONS – You must contact us immediately-Deadline is February 23, 2018**

If you have been approved by College Board for testing accommodations, you MUST send an email to the ELHS SSD coordinator (Nicole Coss) at [nicole.coss@elps.us](mailto:nicole.coss@elps.us). Please provide your SSD Code: \_\_\_\_\_ (which can be found on the letter you received from the College Board when your accommodations were approved).

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Buses Leave at 7:15 for 8:00 a.m. exams and at 11:30 for 12:00 p.m. exams**

# AP Exam Schedule



Week 1	Morning 8 a.m. - Bus leaves at 7:15 if testing at MSU	Afternoon 12 noon - Bus leaves at 11:30 if testing at MSU
<b>Monday, May 7, 2018</b>	Chemistry  Studio Art – receive portfolios	Psychology
<b>Tuesday, May 8, 2018</b>	Seminar  Spanish Language and Culture	Art History  Physics 1: Algebra-Based
<b>Wednesday, May 9, 2018</b>	English Literature and Composition	Physics 2: Algebra-Based
<b>Thursday, May 10, 2018</b>	United States Government and Politics	Chinese Language and Culture  Environmental Science
<b>Friday, May 11, 2018</b>	German Language and Culture  United States History	Computer Science Principles
	Studio Art — last day for coordinators to submit digital portfolios	

Week 2	Morning 8 a.m. - Bus leaves at 7:15 if testing at MSU	Afternoon 12 - Bus leaves at 11:30 if testing at MSU noon
<b>Monday, May 14, 2018</b>	Biology  Music Theory	Physics C: Mechanics  Afternoon 2 p.m.  Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism
<b>Tuesday, May 15, 2018</b>	Calculus AB  Calculus BC	French Language and Culture  Computer Science A
<b>Wednesday, May 16, 2018</b>	English Language and Composition	Macroeconomics
<b>Thursday, May 17, 2018</b>	Comparative Government and Politics  World History	Statistics
<b>Friday, May 18, 2018</b>	Microeconomics	European History

# Half Days and Exams Schedule

January 24th – Exam Day periods 1,2  
January 25th – Exam Day periods 3,4  
January 26th – Exam Day periods 5,6  
March 20th- Half Day periods 1,2,3  
March 22th – Half Day periods 4,5,6  
June 13th – Exam Day periods 1,2  
June 14th – Exam Day periods 3,4  
June 15th – Exam day periods 5,6

## Half Day

7:45 – 8:44

8:52 - 9:51

9:59 – 11:00

## Exam Day

7:45 – 9:27

9:37 – 11:20

# School News

## Parent Council News

### ***Parent Council Meeting and Program Date Change***

Important! Due to scheduling issues, the January ELHS Parent Council meeting and program will be held on Thursday, January 25th. The meeting will be held from 6:30 - 7:00 pm and the program from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on the 25th.

### ***Winter Dance Chaperones***

Winter Dance take place Saturday, February 10 in the High School Student Union. The dance is from 7:00 – 10:00. We are in need of chaperones and would appreciate any assistance you may be able to offer. Please contact Heather Mueller at [heather.mueller@elps.us](mailto:heather.mueller@elps.us) or 517.333.7554 if you are able to chaperone.

***Class of 2018 Families: Save the Date!*** The Baccalaureate Service for the senior class is scheduled for Sunday, May 20 at 4:00 p.m. This one-hour interfaith event celebrates (through prayer, music, and inspirational readings) graduation from ELHS. Following the service will be a reception. The location for both the service and the reception is St. Thomas Aquinas Church, located across from the High School.

***Parents of Graduating Seniors*** - Every year the issue of what name is printed on the diploma comes up. For your information, diplomas will be printed in your student's legal name as shown on their birth certificate.

### ***Seventh Semester Transcripts***

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### ***Guest Request forms for Winter Formal***

Guest request forms for Winter Formal are available in the main office at Ms. Fata's desk. Completed forms must be turned in to the main office no later than February 7, 2018 - NO EXCEPTIONS!

### ***Graduation Cap & Gown and Accessories***

Seniors who missed out on ordering their cap and gown in November, can order their items by contacting Graduation Sales, Inc. at 989-773-1337 or order online at [www.highschool.herffjones.com](http://www.highschool.herffjones.com)

# Michigan Math Prize



## American Mathematics Competition

**Wednesday, February 7, 2018**

(Please circle one)

*Participating Students  
Turn in your registration form  
and \$10.00  
to the Main Office With Mrs. Tabor  
(Make checks payable to ELPS)  
by  
January 19th*

**The test will be given  
in the Hub at 8:00 a.m.**

Please visit <http://www.maa.org/math-competitions/faqs> for questions regarding this competition

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## American Mathematics Competition

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student Grade \_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

Fee of \$10.00 paid by \_\_\_\_\_ check# \_\_\_\_\_ cash  
(Make checks payable to ELPS)

# The Mask You Live In



East Lansing High School hosts free public screening of “The Mask You Live In.”

Please join East Lansing parents, community members, staff, and middle to high school students to screen award winning film “The Mask You Live In,” a film that follows boys and young men as they struggle to stay true to themselves while negotiating America’s narrow definition of masculinity. This is a follow-up film to “Miss Representation,” which was previously screened at the Middle School and tells the story of how the media is selling the idea that girls’ and women’s value lies in their youth, beauty, and sexuality and not in their capacity as leaders.

“The Mask You Live In” showcases how males, feeling pressured by the media, their peer group, and even the adults in their lives, confront messages encouraging them to disconnect from their emotions, devalue authentic friendships, objectify and degrade women, and resolve conflicts through violence. These gender stereotypes interconnect with race, class, and circumstance, creating a maze of identity issues boys and young men must navigate to become “real” men.

Experts in neuroscience, psychology, sociology, sports, education, and media also weigh in, offering empirical evidence of the “boy crisis” and tactics to combat it.

The Mask You Live In ultimately illustrates how we, as a society, can raise a healthier generation of boys and young men.



Immediately following the screening, a panel of local experts and community members will weigh in during a Q&A session.

Additionally, Students for Gender Equality and several ELHS faculty and staff members will be hosting 5 dialogue sessions during their EXCEL class periods for HS students during the months of February and March and plan to structure them based on the curriculum provided by “The Mask You Live In.” Contact Maggie Moore at [maggie.moore@elps.us](mailto:maggie.moore@elps.us) with questions.

Trailer available here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Palna\\_k8Ne0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Palna_k8Ne0)

Sponsored East Lansing Public Library and ELPS, this film is free to the public.

TUESDAY, FEB. 6, 2018

7 – 9 pm

East Lansing High School Auditorium

East Lansing, MI

# Costa Rica Trip



## Spaghetti Dinner

Fundraiser for the Spanish Class  
at ELHS traveling to Costa Rica  
to build a home for a family in  
need! Come and join us on  
Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-  
7:30 in the High School  
Cafeteria. \$6.00/person.

(The Varsity Teams play Okemos that evening. Girls  
play at 6 pm and Boys at 7:30)



Included in the meal: Pasta, salad, bread, a cookie and water. Bottles of water and pop will be  
sold for \$1.00

# High School Musical

## Place Your Ad With Us!

Business Card Ad      \$25.00

½ Page Ad              \$50.00

Full Page Ad            \$100.00

**Business  
Card**

**½ Page Ad**

**Full Page Ad**

*‘not to scale’*

Checks should be made payable to:  
**East Lansing High School Stage Fund**  
Send to: East Lansing High School  
Attention: Theater Department  
509 Burcham Drive  
East Lansing, MI 48823

East Lansing High School  
Theater  
Presents

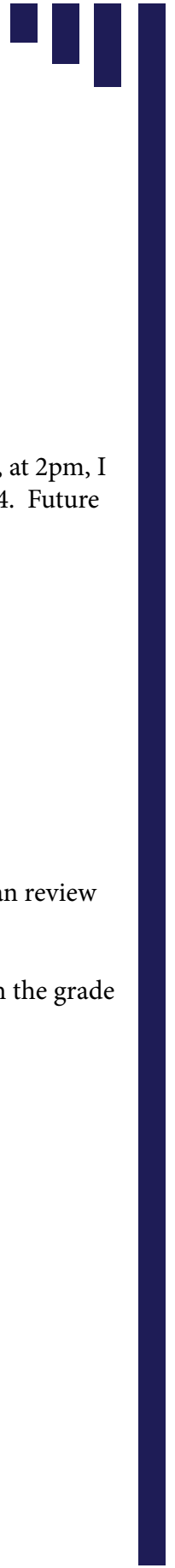


*March 16th – 18th  
March 21st  
March 23rd- 25th*

**What To Do:**

**Submit ads no later than *March 7, 2018***

- Please submit digital files to Laura Scott at [eastlansingplayprogram@gmail.com](mailto:eastlansingplayprogram@gmail.com)  
Only JPEG, Bitmap or GIF files please.
- **Please, no PDF files.**



## Free SAT Tutoring At East Lansing Public Library 1st & 3rd Saturday

I am a long time tutor living in the East Lansing Area. On the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, at 2pm, I will host a 90 minute SAT presentation & review session. You can find us in Meeting room #3 & #4. Future dates: 1/20, 2/3, 2/17.

What the sessions offer:

- A quick presentation on how to prepare for the SAT
- Which SAT study books are great, ok, and not worth looking at
- Tips and tricks showing how to get extra points the easy way
- How to study and practice effectively
- Where to find online resources to help
- Answer any questions you may have

Students can bring in any questions that they have from their tests or practice materials, and we can review them.

Feel free to drop in, but we would all get the most out of the time allowed if you would RSVP with the grade of the child attending and what they are most hoping to get out of the session.  
Please email to [crashcoursesat@gmail.com](mailto:crashcoursesat@gmail.com).

# Important Dates (subject to Change - always check the elps online calendar)

**January 24, 25, 26**

**January 26**

**January 24**

**February 8**

**February 10**

**February 19**

**March 6**

**March 20**

**March 22**

**March 27 and 28**

**March 30-April 6**

**April 10**

**April 11 and 12**

**April 24 and 25**

**May 7-18**

**May 12**

**May 30**

**June 1**

**June 5**

**June 10**

**June 13, 14 and 15**

**June 15**

**S1 Exams**

**End of Semester 1**

**Financial Aid Night 7:00 p.m. Student Union**

**Junior Parent Meeting 7:00 p.m. Student Union**

**Winter Formal**

**President's Day-No School**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night 6:30 p.m. CPA**

**PT Conferences 5-8:00 p.m.**

**PT Conferences 2-4:00 and 5-8:00 p.m.**

**11<sup>th</sup> Grade SAT Pre-Bubble during Excel in Student Union**

**Spring Break**

**9, 10, and 11 grade testing PSAT and SAT**

**11 grade WorkKeys and MSTEP**

**AP Pre-bubble during excel in SU**

**AP Testing**

**Prom**

**Convocation in Center for the Performing Arts**

**Senior's Last Day**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Move Up**

**Graduation 11:00 a.m. at MSU Auditorium**

**S2 Exams**

**End of S2 and Last day of school**