



# Churchill Junior High School



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Dear Churchill Junior High School Parents and Guardians,

## 1. Important Dates for Advanced Planning:

Tuesday, January 9:	Rising 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night – 7:00 PM at EBHS Auditorium
Wednesday, January 10:	Online Course Scheduling for 2024-2025 Open in Parent Access
Monday, January 15:	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday - Schools Closed
Jan. 23 - Jan. 26:	Midterm Exams – Single Session Days for Students
Friday, January 26:	Last Day of Marking Period 2
Monday, January 29:	First Day of Semester 2 Classes – Block A Schedule
Monday, February 5:	Marking Period 2 Report Cards Issued
Monday, February 19:	President's Day – Schools Closed

**2. Drop-In Academic Support and Tutoring Services:** Extra help will be available for students in math, English, science, social studies, and world language courses starting next Tuesday. Extra help will be provided on Tuesday-Thursday from 2:45-3:45 PM so students are able to take an activity bus home after receiving help. This extra help service is provided free of charge to all students and students do not need to make an appointment for extra help. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a list by subject area with room locations where extra help is offered. This extra help is a great opportunity for students who need assistance with homework, studying for a test, preparing for midterms, or catching up due to an absence.

**3. 2024-2025 Course Guide and Scheduling Process for Next Year:** The online course guide for the 2024-2025 school year is now available on the [district website under the Department of Academics](#). This online guide provides detailed course descriptions for all core and elective courses offered at Churchill Junior High School and East Brunswick High School. We will be sharing additional information related to the scheduling process with students during homeroom on January 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Information and resources related to scheduling can be found on our [school homepage](#) and our [school counseling webpage](#). The online course request module for next year scheduling will open in Parent Access on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and will remain open through February 21<sup>st</sup>. I want to stress that submitting course requests early in the scheduling process does not prioritize or guarantee a spot in a class for next year. Please take time to discuss scheduling requests with your child before submitting your selections. School counselors will meet with students later this winter and in the spring to review course selections before that information is used to begin building student schedules.

**4. Midterm Exams:** Midterm exams will take place on January 23-26 at CJHS. Most 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will not take a formal midterm exam except for a few classes such as Algebra I Honors. Some 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes may administer a common assessment during the exam period to assess student learning from marking period 2. Other 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes may use the exam period to continue with regular instruction. 7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers will be communicating with their classes about the format of any assessments for the end of marking period 2. **Exam days are single session days for students with dismissal at 12:32 PM. No lunch is served on exam days for grades 7-12.** The schedule that we will use on midterm exam days is shown on the next page.

Midterm Exam Schedule - 2024					
1/23/24	1/24/24	1/25/24	1/26/24	Time	Activity
Period 1	Period 5	Period 2	Period 6	8:00-8:30 AM	Study/Review/Questions
				8:30-10:00 AM	Exam
				10:00-10:11 AM	Exam Collection
				10:11-10:21	Change of Class
Period 4	Period 8	Period 3	Period 7	10:21-10:51 AM	Study/Review/Questions
				10:51-12:21 PM	Exam
				12:21-12:32 PM	Exam Collection

**The entire building will follow the above schedule even if your class does not administer a midterm exam.**

\* In the event of inclement weather resulting in a delayed opening or a school closing, the exam scheduled for that day will resume on the next full day of school.

\*\* The last day of marking period 2 is Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Semester 2 classes start on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> with an A-Day.

5. **Winter Athletics Sports Schedule:** [CLICK HERE](#) to access the schedule for winter athletics events.
6. **Yearbook Orders:** Yearbooks can be ordered through April 15 online by going to [yearbookordercenter.com](http://yearbookordercenter.com) and entering the Churchill order code 4712. The cost of the yearbook is \$35.

Have a safe and relaxing weekend.

Sincerely,

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