



# WEEKLY UPDATE

## 3 / 17 / 24



### *This Week!*

As we approach the final stretch before spring break, I wanted to take a moment to encourage our students to finish the remainder of this term with determination and focus. With just two weeks left, there's still plenty of opportunity to achieve academic goals and make the most of their learning experiences.

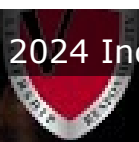


One crucial aspect of success in school is consistent attendance. I cannot stress enough the importance of regular attendance in ensuring that students fully engage with their studies and make the most of their educational opportunities. Please continue to support your child in attending classes regularly, as every day counts towards their academic progress.

Additionally, I'd like to remind our Junior and Senior parents that prom tickets are still available for purchase. This is a memorable event for our students, and we want to ensure that everyone who wishes to attend has the opportunity to do so. Please encourage your Juniors and Seniors to secure their tickets while they're still available.

Let's work together to help our students finish this term on a high note. Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education.

2024 Induction Ceremony



# New Beginnings

## Attendance

### Perfect Attendance Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Perfect Attendance Raffle for both the 1st and 2nd Marking Periods! Just a friendly reminder, we'll be conducting a raffle for a winner every marking period, giving all students the opportunity to begin anew and potentially win each time. Stay tuned for the next round of exciting prizes!



## Attendance Matters!

We will announce the 1st winner of the weekly attendance raffle this week! Remember, each week students have a chance to win a huge prize if there have perfect attendance for the week!

We believe this initiative will not only improve attendance rates but also create a positive atmosphere within our school community. By emphasizing the importance of consistent attendance, we aim to instill a strong sense of commitment to learning and growth in your child.

We encourage you to share this news with your child and discuss it together.

Thank you for your ongoing support in your child's education. Let's make this initiative a fun and rewarding experience for everyone involved!



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## Last Week

### Senior Breakfast

Seniors had a fantastic time at the 100 Days to Graduation Breakfast. Students joined staff in marking the official countdown to graduation with delicious catering from "Orange Glory Cafe" and exciting raffles featuring essential items for dorm living, setting the stage for their journey after high school.





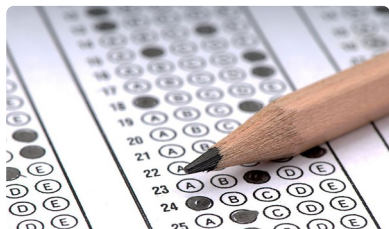


## Upcoming Events

### Spring Break- 3/29- 4/8

Spring Break is scheduled from March 29th to April 8th, providing a well-deserved opportunity for rest and relaxation.

We encourage you and your family to take this time to rest up and recharge for the final stretch of the school year leading up to the Regents exams. Your well-being is paramount, and we want everyone to return feeling refreshed and ready to tackle the challenges ahead.



### Midterms- 4/15-19

Midterm exams are scheduled to take place from April 15th to April 19th. This period is crucial for students as it provides valuable practice for the upcoming Regents exams in June.

To ensure that your son maximizes this opportunity for preparation, we kindly request your support in ensuring his attendance each day during the midterm week. Regular attendance is essential for effective exam practice and contributes significantly to academic success.

### Jr. & Sr. Prom- 5/3

- Tickets are on sale now
- Raffles and prizes will be given out.
- At Harro East Ballroom.



## Summer Session!

Our summer session is around the corner! Below you will see the dates of our summer session this year

**July 29th- Aug. 23rd**

July 2024				
Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
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22	23	<del>24</del>	<del>25</del>	<del>26</del>
<b>29</b>	30	31		

August 2024				
Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	<b>23</b>
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Our summer session, scheduled from July 29th to August 23rd, is a mandatory program designed to offer students the chance to catch up on any missed coursework, get ahead in their studies, and actively prepare for future college or career endeavors. In addition to academic enrichment, the session will feature internships and programs geared towards providing valuable real-world experiences.



At Vertus High School, we firmly believe in the philosophy that a year-round program is essential for the holistic development of our students, both academically and socially. This summer session aligns with our commitment to offering continuous support for your child's educational journey.

We encourage you to discuss the importance of active participation in this **mandatory summer session** with your child, emphasizing the long-term benefits it will bring to their academic and personal growth.

## Athletics

Click the links below to get more information on our athletic program:

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## Reminders:

### Attendance Matters

Each day of school presents invaluable opportunities for learning, growth, and social interaction. Here are several reasons why consistent attendance is crucial:



- **Academic Progress:** Regular attendance directly correlates with academic success. Being present in class ensures your son doesn't miss out on important lessons, discussions, and clarifications provided by teachers.
- **Building Foundations:** Each day builds upon the previous one. Consistent attendance allows your son to grasp concepts progressively, contributing to a solid foundation for future learning.
- **Active Engagement:** Active participation in classroom activities, discussions, and projects fosters deeper understanding and retention of information.
- **Social Development:** School is not just about academics; it's also a space for social interaction and skill-building. Regular attendance helps your son develop vital social skills, collaboration, and teamwork.
- **Habit Formation:** Consistent attendance establishes a habit of responsibility and discipline that will benefit your son throughout his life.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances may arise, impacting attendance. However, whenever possible, prioritizing regular school attendance greatly contributes to your son's overall success and well-being.

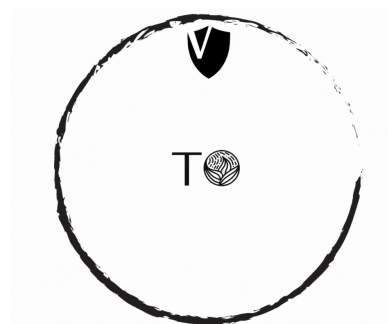
We are committed to supporting your child's educational journey, and we encourage open communication. If there are challenges affecting your son's attendance, please don't hesitate to reach out. Together, we can explore ways to support him effectively.

### Student Pick-up

If you are picking your child up from school early, please call at least 15 minutes in advance before arriving. Parents can not pick students up after **2:45**. We are preparing for dismissal and cannot send students out after that time.

### Pathways to Success

The "Pathways to Success" program is aimed at providing additional support and opportunities for your child's academic and character growth. PTS is a comprehensive support system designed to cater to the diverse learning needs of our students. It offers a range of services to help students excel in their in-person and online classes, as well as challenge themselves with advanced material for those looking to get ahead.



Pathways to Success is available every Tuesday/Thursday from 3:15- 5:15 p.m. and every Saturday from 8:00-11:00 a.m.



Students who stay and work can receive bus passes to get home, or parents can arrange rides.

No Excuses!

### Need Transportation Options? RTS on Demand!

RTS On Demand is a ride-sharing mobility option in which ADA-accessible vehicles provide service on demand within On Demand Zones. Customers can request rides through the On Demand app, website, or by calling Customer Service.



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