

# **December 2013 Newsletter for NVHS**

# The Character word for the month is Compassion.

Dear Parents of NVHS Students and Community Members:

Welcome to December 2013. I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and blessed holiday season. With our block schedule, each day is packed full of learning experiences. Please remind your student that attendance is very important. Any days missed over 4 unexcused absences in a semester will be considered excessive. Please see pages 13-15 in the student handbook that spell out everything about absentees and make up work. Expect a grade report about every 11 days. Yes, it happens that fast with this schedule. Our next conference is February 11th.

There have been some changes to our school calendar. It was distributed to the students. It is also available on our website.

We have switched from Pinnacle grading and notification system to Eschool. You should have received usernames and passwords.



# **Important Dates:**

December 17 Progress Reports

December 21-January 5 Christmas Break

January 6 Classes Resume

January 9 Report Cards/Term

January 10 High School Exemption Day

Students who require remediation for Benchmark or EOC exams from 2013 will be receiving that remediation from certified teachers. AIP's are being developed and will be sent home soon. Parents must sign these and return them to the school.

ACT: The next ACT exam is February 8th. The registration deadline without a late fee is January 10<sup>th</sup>.

<u>January 10<sup>th</sup></u> is no longer In-Service Day. It will be a regular day, and it will also be EXCEPTION Day. We will let students know on Wednesday if you are exempt. You must have all A's and B's in every class.

We are looking for volunteers to help out at our school. If you would like to help, please let me know. I have a form that was distributed at Open House and Parent Teacher Conferences. It will be available upon request.

Thanks again for all of your support. Remember that we have information available in the Parent Center on various topics. We can add to our resources if you let us know what you need. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of service to you with the furthering of your child's education.

Remember to listen to the local radio station and watch the Petit Jean Country Headlight for news concerning Nemo Vista. We are reporting upcoming events to them. You may also watch the school sign for information about upcoming events. We will notify the radio station and TV stations if there is a closing due to bad weather or other situations.

#### Dates For Later in the Year

December 17<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports December 21<sup>st</sup>-January 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas Break

January 6<sup>th</sup> Classes Resume

January 10 Report Cards/ End Term/ High School Exemption Day

February 8<sup>th</sup> ACT Exam

February 11<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Conference Day- EOC meetings, Parent Seminar for Being Involved in Students' Decisions

<u>April 18<sup>th</sup></u> - <u>GOOD FRIDAY</u> - On the calendar we are scheduled to be out of school this day, but due to the snow days we will now have school on this day.

### Red Hawk Basketball

Clinton Dec. 16 Away 5:00 7th, Jrs Calico Rock Dec. 17 Away 5:00 Srs Greers Ferry Lake Classic Dec. 27-30 Nemo Vista TBA

Dover Jan. 6 Home 5:30 JB, Srs