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Dear Williams' Families:

As the first semester is ending, we want to review some important information about the final dates of the semester. Our teachers are committed to using their professional judgement in each course to review all assessment data and use multiple sources of evidence, including conversations and reflections on previous student products, where necessary, to ensure student success. To this end, teachers have been making adjustments to due dates and in some cases reducing student tasks to support achievement and minimize the adverse effects of the shift to online learning recently. The culminating structure outlined below provides teachers with maximum flexibility to support all students to move towards the next level of achievement.

Jan 25	Last Day of Regular Classes		Regular Timetable
Jan 26	Culminating Activities	Block One (Period One) Classes (Class Normally From 8:20 - 9:40)	See Culminating Schedule on the front page of the Williams website for courses that are conducting culminating activities on this day. Any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.
Jan 27		Block Three (Period Two) Classes (Class Normally From 9:45 - 11:00)	See Culminating Schedule on the front page of the Williams website for courses that are conducting culminating activities on this day. Any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.
Jan 28		Block Two (Period Three) Classes (Class Normally From 11:50 - 1:05)	See Culminating Schedule on the front page of the Williams website for courses that are conducting culminating activities on this day. Any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.
Jan 31		Block Four (Period Four) Classes (Class Normally From 1:10 - 2:25)	See Culminating Schedule on the front page of the Williams website for courses that are conducting culminating activities on this day. Any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.
Feb 1		Instructional Day, Significant Faith Day, Diamond Day	Regular Instructional Day, Attendance will be taken for students present online or F2F. Students follow the regular schedule.
Feb 2	Culminating Support Day		Teachers will reach out to students who require additional support.
Feb 3	AM: Virtual Feedback		Schedule: 8:20 - 8:25 Announcements 8:25 - 9:05 Block One (Period One) 9:10 - 9:45 Block Three (Period Two) 9:50 - 10:25 Block Two (Period Three) 10:30 - 11:05 Block Four (Period Four)



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- The 2021 - 2022 Semester 1 Culminating Schedule is shared on the front page of the DGWWSS website. Any courses that are part of the culminating week are included on the schedule.
- All courses that are not by appointment but rather have a length of time (1.5 hours) beside them on the schedule will be following the regular learning model for the student unless otherwise arranged by the teacher.
- Students participating in culminating activities and/or credit salvaging may be asked to meet with their teacher at any point during the school day, even if it is outside of their regular class time.
- To support student achievement, some students may be requested by teachers (regardless of learning model) to attend in person so that they can receive individualized support to complete tasks. Students and families will always maintain the right to virtual opportunities, however, in consultation with the teacher some remote learners may benefit from coming into the school for individual appointments.
- There will be limited access to the building during the culminating schedule days. Students are to enter through the front door only and must continue to complete the [School screening](#), complete the [Secondary School Confirmation Form](#) and show proof as they enter the building.
- Students should make arrangements to only be in the building when scheduled for an assessment on these days (Jan 26-Jan 31 & Feb 2). The library will be open for students needing to access school transportation.
- The Student Success team and Special Education teachers will be connecting with students on their case-loads to provide additional support in addition to opportunities provided by the teacher for completion of curriculum expectations.

For specific questions regarding your child's culminating activity, please contact your child's teacher.

Take Care.

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