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February... Brrr!! more snow, and more snow, and more...!!

- **News:** The inordinate number of snow days has really played havoc with our calendar as well as our daily schedule. Both faculty and students have been working hard to get caught up, and just having the daily routine disrupted makes it more difficult for some students to get back on track. Still, we gotta keep moving...
- **TCAPs:** The TCAP Writing Assessment had to be re-scheduled for Monday the 8th due to snow days, and we should get the results before the end of the semester. The writing assessment is a good indicator of our grammar and writing as well as creative writing programs, and is good practice for the SAT and ACT writing component.
- **The JFWA Preview Day** had to be cancelled due to snow. It will be on the calendar as soon as we can reschedule it. That is when prospective students spend the day with us.
- **Progress reports:** The mid-9-weeks progress reports went out at the end of the third week of February, along with a parent letter. Between winter and sports, many of our students did very well, in spite of a higher percentage of students who found themselves on shaky ground. Message for those who slipped – well, it is time to get serious! The spring semester goes by very fast indeed!
- **LMU mid-term exams** are serious business, as students find out where they stand in terms of academic progress. Students are reminded about their responsibility regarding attendance, punctuality, and keeping up with their grades. Learn to ask for help! It is a good taste of what is to come.
- **A word to the wise: seniors** – colleges will be looking at upcoming 3rd 9-week grades closely, so please don't slack off yet! Save that for the summer!! Plus, valedictorian and salutatorian honors will be announced shortly!

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- 2 – TCAP Writing Assessment (Gr. 5, 8, 11)
 - 3 – Make-up day for TCAP Writing Assess
 - 4 – SAT reg. deadline for March 13 test
 - 6 – ACT Test
 - 6 – LMU Preview Day (Seniors)
 - 13 – Valentine Dance 8-11 pm/Splitters/gr 7-12
 - 15 – JFWA Preview Day
 - 14 – College Goal Sunday at LMU
 - 17 – Progress reports mailed
 - 19 – Last day to drop LMU class w/out WD
 - 22-26 – LMU mid-term exams
 - 27 – LMU Preview Day (Sophomores/Juniors)
- Dates are subject to change due to snow...*



Please note...

Please note: the Guidance office will continue to mail all progress reports and report cards, though they may be delayed due to snow days, etc. Dates are listed on the JFWA calendar. Please continue to check the website often for other information as it is updated frequently.

Or call: Information line: 423-869-6404

Main Office : 423-869-6234

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Seniors Corner... Juniors take heed!!

Testing Info

Register online for

ACT: www.actstudent.org

SAT: www.collegeboard.com

The JFWA school code for both is the same: **430 - 868**

College visits/ Preview Days

Check out the colleges you are interested in or applying to for those dates. Remember, you can use one school day for these visits... not bad!