

Saint Joseph Academy



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Dear Parents,

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 5-7, students in grades 7 – 10 will be taking the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills, and we will be following the schedules outlined below.

- **Monday, March 5:** Grades 7-10 will test beginning at 8:00 AM. No classes for juniors and seniors.
- **Tuesday, March 6:** Grades 7 – 10 will test beginning at 8:00 AM. **PLEASE NOTE 8:00 AM START TIME.** No classes for junior and seniors.
- **Wednesday, March 7:** Students in grades 7 and 9 only will test beginning at 8:00 AM. No classes for students in grades 8, 10, 11, or 12.
- **Thursday and Friday, March 8 and 9, will be regular school days for all students.**
- Students who are testing will be dismissed each day at the conclusion of the test. No lunch will be served on test days.
- The testing schedule for students in grades 7 through 10 will be as follows:

Monday, March 5: Grades 7-10

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| • 7 th /8 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 11:45 AM |
| • 7 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 12:45 PM (bring sack lunch) |
| • 8 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 1:20 PM (bring sack lunch) |
| • 9 th /10 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 11:15 AM |
| • 9 th /10 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM (bring sack lunch) |

Tuesday, March 6: Grades 7-10

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| • 7 th /8 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 12:05 PM |
| • 7 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 1:10 PM (bring sack lunch) |
| • 8 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 1:50 PM (bring sack lunch) |
| • 9 th /10 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 10:50 AM (BRING CALCULATORS) |
| • 9 th /10 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 11:55 AM (no lunch break) (BRING CALCULATORS) |

Wednesday, March 7: Grades 7 and 9 only

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| • 7 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 11:30 AM |
| • 7 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM (bring sack lunch) |
| • 9 th grade: | 8:00 AM – 10:40 AM |
| • 9 th grade extended time: | 8:00 AM – 11:35 AM (no lunch break) |

Please help your child perform successfully on the test by following these guidelines:

- Please see that students get a good night's rest before the test and eat breakfast each morning.
- Students should bring sharpened #2 pencils with erasers for the test.
- Students in grades 9 and 10 should bring calculators on Thursday. Students in grades 7 and 8 do NOT use calculators
- Students should bring something to read in case they finish the test early.

Thank you for your cooperation. We appreciate your help in our efforts to encourage your child's academic success.

Sincerely,

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