



WEEKLY

Update

12/8/24



Winter is here!

Winter is here! While many are excited about the snow, it's important to take a little extra time to prepare for school each morning. The weather may change, but it does not dictate our success in school. As we face these winter months, remember, "We do not falter in the face of fear or obstacles."



I want to thank you for ensuring your son was logged into Edgenuity and actively working hard on our remote learning day last week. Progress on these remote days is crucial to ensure that your son stays on track and does not fall behind in his classes. Your continued support in keeping him engaged and accountable is greatly appreciated.

We are also less than two weeks away from winter break, and it's important that students are present and engaged in school every day leading up to it. Every day counts as we work towards finishing this semester strong.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your son's success. Let's keep up the hard work as we approach the holiday season!



Toys for Tots

This holiday season, let's come together as a community to make a difference! We're hosting a Toys for Tots Christmas Campaign to bring smiles to children in need. You can be the reason a child wakes up to joy on Christmas morning! The Donation box is located in the front at the top of the stairs at Vertus High School



Here's how you can help:

- Donate a New, Unwrapped Toy: Drop it off at the collection box in the main office or designated locations by [insert deadline].
- Spread the Word: Encourage friends, family, and coworkers to join the cause.

Every donation counts! Whether it's a small action figure or a cuddly stuffed animal, your gift will light up a child's holiday.

Let's show what the power of kindness can do. Together, we can make this season brighter for those who need it most. ☆☆

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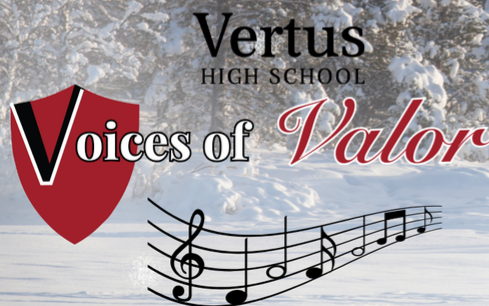
Upcoming Events:

Winter CELEBRATION!



Featuring:

DECEMBER 20TH
6:00 PM



Pics with
Santa and
the
Grinch!



Athletic Schedule



VERTUS WARRIORS

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DEC 8-14

8 SUNDAY	9 MONDAY	10 TUESDAY	11 WEDNESDAY	12 THURSDAY	13 FRIDAY	14 SATURDAY
	BOWLING VS NORTHSTAR 4:00PM		BOWLING PRACTICE 3:00-5:00PM		BOWLING VS UPREP 4:00PM	
TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-4:15PM	TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-5:45PM	TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-5:45PM	TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-5:45PM	TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-5:45PM	TRACK PRACTICE 3:00-5:45PM	TRACK MEET @ NAZARETH 6:00-10:00PM
	F/JV BBALL PRACTICE 3:00-4:30PM	F BBALL @ EDISON TECH 4:30PM	F/JV BBALL PRACTICE 3:00-4:30PM	F BBALL PRACTICE 3:00-4:30PM	F BBALL PRACTICE 3:00-4:30PM	
	V BBALL PRACTICE 4:45-6:15PM	JV/V BBALL @ FINNEY 6:00/7:30PM	V BBALL PRACTICE 4:45-6:15PM	JV/V BBALL @ RACS 5:00/7:00PM	JV/V BBALL @HFL 5:30/7:00PM	

24-25 | Vertus High School Varsity Basketball



SEASON SCHEDULE

DEC 03 ROCHESTER PREP 6:00 PM ROCHESTER PREP HIGH SCHOOL	JAN 24 HONEOYE FALLS-LIMA 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
DEC 05 BISHOP KEARNEY 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL	JAN 25 SCHOOL OF THE ARTS 1:30 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
DEC 10 CHARLES FINNEY 7:30 PM CHARLES FINNEY HIGH SCHOOL	JAN 28 EDISON TECHNICAL 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
DEC 12 ROCHESTER ACADEMY 7:00 PM ROCHESTER ACADEMY CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL	JAN 31 GREECE ODYSSEY 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
DEC 13 HONEOYE FALLS-LIMA 7:00 PM HFL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	FEB 04 BISHOP KEARNEY 6:30 PM BISHOP KEARNEY HIGH SCHOOL
DEC 17 EUGENIO MARIA DE HOSTOS CHARTER 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL	FEB 07 EDISON TECHNICAL 6:00 PM EDISON TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
JAN 07 GREECE ODYSSEY 6:45 PM GREECE ODYSSEY ACADEMY	FEB 11 ROCHESTER PREP 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
JAN 09 EUGENIO MARIA DE HOSTOS CHARTER 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL	FEB 14 SCHOOL OF THE ARTS 6:30 PM SCHOOL NO. 33
JAN 14 ROCHESTER ACADEMY 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL	FEB 18 CHARLES FINNEY 6:00 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL
JAN 16 WILSON MAGNET 6:30 PM VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL	FEB 20 WILSON MAGNET 12:45 PM WILSON MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL

Reminders:

Attendance Expectations:

School begins promptly at 7:40 AM every day. Students are expected to be in full uniform ready for the morning meeting. Arriving late disrupts the learning environment and causes students to miss valuable instructional time.

Absences: If your son is going to be absent, please inform the school as soon as possible by contacting your son's Preceptor. If he isn't in, your son's Preceptor will be reaching out to you.

Absences should be limited to illness, family emergencies, or other significant reasons. We encourage medical appointments to be scheduled outside of school hours whenever possible.

Tardiness: Any student arriving after 7:40 AM will be marked tardy. Chronic lateness will result in AIS after school or Saturday morning, and after a certain number of tardies, additional consequences will be put in place including a meeting with you at the school. It is important for students to develop the habit of punctuality, as it reflects their level of responsibility and commitment to their education.

We appreciate your support in ensuring your son's success at Vertus High School. Your support in reinforcing these expectations will help us maintain a strong and positive learning environment for all students. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your son's Preceptor.

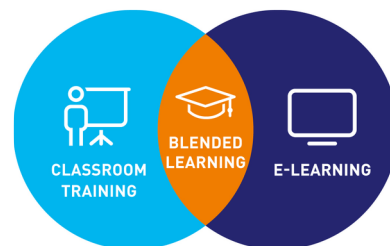
Picking Students Up Early

Please be reminded that if you need to pick up your son early from school, it must be done before **2:40 PM**. After this time, we will not be able to dismiss students early. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but this policy is in place to ensure a safe and structured dismissal process for all students.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Blended Learning Program

I'd like to remind you that Vertus High School is a blended learning program. Your son's schedule will include both teacher-led classes and learning lab time, during which he will work on his mandatory online courses. This is *not optional*, as students earn credit for both types of classes.



Blended learning provides several key benefits for students:

- **Personalized Learning:** Students can work at their own pace during online lab time, allowing them to revisit concepts they find challenging and progress more quickly through material they grasp easily.
- **Skill Development:** In addition to learning course content, students develop valuable skills such as time management, self-discipline, and independent learning—all critical for success in college and future careers.
- **Preparation for Regents Exams:** The combination of teacher-led instruction and online courses is designed to reinforce understanding of core content, which helps students better prepare for their Regents exams.
- **Credit Recovery and Acceleration:** The online component allows students to catch up on missed credits or even accelerate their progress, giving them the flexibility to stay on track for graduation.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure your son's academic success.

Student Uniforms

All students must be in full uniform BEFORE entering the double doors. Please review the guide below.

- No Jeans
- No slides/crocs
- No sagging
- No Athletic Shorts



Late Students

We want to ensure that all of our students are in school on time each day. We understand that there may be uncontrollable circumstances that cause lateness. In such cases, please keep the following reminders in mind:

- **Arrival After 11:30 AM:** If your son arrives at school after 11:30 AM, he must be accompanied by a guardian, or you must contact the school beforehand to confirm that you are aware of his late arrival.

- **Food Policy:** If your son arrives late with food, please note that he will not be allowed to eat it in class or in the halls. He must store the food in his locker and wait until his lunch period to eat.

Our goal is to maximize instructional time for all students. Your cooperation in helping us maintain a focused and productive learning environment is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

2024-25 Calendar

https://www.vertusschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Vertus-Calendar_2024-2025.pdf

[vertusschool.org](https://www.vertusschool.org)

Athletics

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