



WEEKLY Update

1/5/25

Happy
New Year



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Happy New Year! As we step into 2024, we are filled with excitement and optimism about the opportunities this new year brings for success and high achievement. This is a time to reset, refocus, and recommit to our shared goal of excellence in education.

At Vertus, we believe every student has the potential to achieve greatness. With hard work, determination, and a strong support system, anything is possible. This year, we are doubling down on providing the resources and encouragement our students need to excel in all areas of their education.

One of our top priorities as we start this new year is preparation for the upcoming Regents exams, which are right around the corner. These exams are critical milestones in your child's academic journey, and we are encouraging all students—especially our seniors—to lock in and stay focused. For our seniors, passing these exams is a key step toward graduation, and we are committed to helping them cross the finish line successfully.

Here are a few ways we can work together to ensure your student is prepared:

- **Attendance:** Make sure your student is in school every day, ready to learn. Every lesson counts as we approach Regents season.
- **Study Support:** Encourage your child to take advantage of study groups, tutoring sessions, and additional resources offered at Vertus.



- **Stay Engaged:** Talk with your student about their goals for the exams and the steps they are taking to prepare.

As always, thank you for partnering with us in your child's education. Your support makes all the difference. Let's make 2024 a year of achievement, growth, and success for every Vertus student!

We are excited to see your son tomorrow!

Upcoming Events:

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming **Coffee and Conversations** event! This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to connect, share victories and challenges, and support one another in a warm and welcoming environment.

📅 **Date:** 1/7/25

🕒 **Time:** 8:30 AM

📍 **Location:** VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL

Enjoy a hot beverage, light refreshments, and meaningful conversations with fellow parents as we work together to strengthen our families and community.

At Vertus, we believe that strong families build strong students. Let's grow together!

We can't wait to see you there.

VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL PARENT

Coffee &

Jan. 7th

8:30- 10:00 AM

Conversation

@ Vertus High School









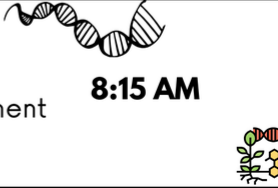
January Regents Exam Schedule

- January 21- 24th
- Students will only report if they are taking an exam or studying for an upcoming exam.

- Busses will run as normal



JAN. REGENTS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY JAN. 21	E.L.A	8:15 AM	
	Earth Science	11:45 PM	
 WEDNESDAY JAN. 22	Geometry	8:15 AM	
	U.S. history		
	Algebra 1	11:45 PM	
THURSDAY JAN. 23	Global History	8:15 AM	
	Algebra II	11:45 PM	
FRIDAY JAN. 24	Living Environment	8:15 AM	

STUDENTS WILL ONLY REPORT IF THEY ARE TAKING AN EXAM OR STUDYING

Athletic Schedule



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

5 SUNDAY	6 MONDAY	7 TUESDAY	8 WEDNESDAY	9 THURSDAY	10 FRIDAY	11 SATURDAY
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 @ Brackport 1:00-5:00pm
	Bowling vs RACS 4:00pm		Bowling Practice 3:00-5:00pm		Bowling vs BK 4:00pm	
	JV/V Bball Practice In School	F Bball Practice 3:00-4:30pm	F/JV Bball Practice 3:00-4:30pm	F/JV Bball Practice 3:00-4:30pm	JV/V Bball Practice 3:00-4:30pm	F Bball vs Aquinas 11:00am
	F Bball vs Lima Christ. 4:30pm	JV/V Bball vs Odyssey 5:30/7:00pm	V Bball Practice 4:45-6:15pm	V Bball vs EMHCS 6:00pm	V Bball Practice 4:45-6:15pm	

JAN 5TH - JAN 11TH | 2025

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:

Student Uniform

We are reaching out to remind everyone of the importance of adhering to our school uniform and appearance policy. Maintaining proper attire is essential for creating a focused and respectful learning environment.

Please take note of the following expectations:



1. **No Hoodies:** Students are not allowed to wear hoodies during the school day.
2. **Proper Shirt Wear:** Students must wear their shirts correctly. Arms cannot be inside their shirts at any time.
3. **No Sagging Pants:** Students must wear their pants at the waist. Sagging is not permitted. Students will be expected to wear a belt and pull their pants up. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action.

We ask for your support in reinforcing these rules at home. Please remind your son to come to school each day prepared to follow the uniform and appearance policy and maintain a professional demeanor.

Thank you for your partnership in helping us uphold high standards for all our students. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact us.

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.

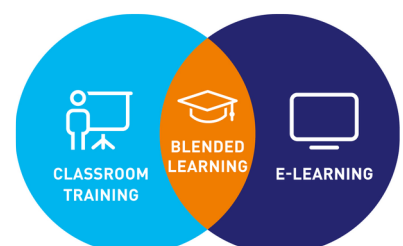
Picking Students Up Early

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:

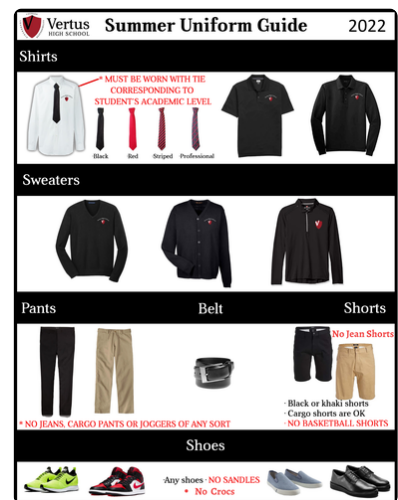
- **Personalized Learning:** Students can work at their own pace during online lab time, allowing them to revisit concepts they find challenging and progress more quickly through material they grasp easily.
- **Skill Development:** In addition to learning course content, students develop valuable skills 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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