

Pella High School

Principal Newsletter

The mission of the Pella Community Schools is to maximize life's opportunities for every child.



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The first semester is winding down with only five days left. We have three days of regular class and two days of semester assessments. We want to encourage all students to complete their first semester coursework prior to winter break. It is important to be able to start the second semester on January 6 with a clean slate and no lingering issues from first semester. We are proud of all of the outstanding efforts students have made during the first semester.

Thank you,
Eric Nelson
Principal

Jon Muller
Assistant Principal

School Closings or Dismissals due to Weather

It is that time of year again where we have the possibility of closing school, starting late, or dismissing early due to weather issues. The following sources will have announcements:

- Pella Community School District Website
- KNIA/KRLS
- WHO TV: Channel 13
- WHO Radio
- KCCI TV: Channel
- WOI TV : Channel 5
- KCOB/KRTI
- KBOE

Calendar

Dec. 19

First Semester Assessments
-- Periods 1 - 4 --

Dec. 20

(1 hour early dismissal)
First Semester Assessments
-- Periods 5 - 8 --
End of 1st Semester

Dec. 23 - Jan. 3

NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

Jan. 6

Classes begin Second Semester

Jan. 7

First Semester Grades due at 9:00 a.m.
(Report Cards available through
Infinite Campus)



Semester Assessment

December 19 & 20

Thursday, December 19

1st	8:15 - 9:40	-	85 min
2nd	9:50 - 11:15	-	85 min
Lunch	11:15 - 12:15	-	Lunch
3rd	12:15 - 1:40	-	85 min
4th	1:50 - 3:15	-	85 min

Friday, December 20

5th	8:15 - 9:30	-	75 min
6th	9:35 - 10:50	-	75 min
Lunch	10:50 - 11:40	-	Lunch
7th	11:40 - 12:55	-	75 min
8th	1:00 - 2:15	-	75 min

1. Students are only required to be in school if they have an assessment. Students should be in the cafeteria, or leave campus if they do not have a test. Students are not to be in the academic areas of the building during semester assessments.
2. All students will eat during the same lunch period.
3. Students are not allowed to move any semester assessments.
4. If a student is ill or is unable to take their assessments during the scheduled semester test days, they will be expected to make-up assessments on Thursday, January 2nd. All make-up assessments must be coordinated with teachers and administrator.
5. Students are not to be dismissed early from assessment sessions.

Course Drops or Adds

At the beginning of each semester, students will be allowed five (5) school days in which to add or drop a course. After the tenth (10) school day a course, which is dropped, will be assigned a grade of an "F" unless an extreme emergency exists.

*"We are not what
we know, but what
we are willing to
learn." – Mary
Catherine Bateson*

