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Dear CHS Parent:

City Honors has begun implementing the use of online Grade Level Assessment Calendars. These calendars will be used by our teachers at all grade levels to post important assessment dates in each class (research papers, tests, IB internal assessment due dates, and other types of summative assessments). Assessments, but not regular homework assignments, will be notated in each grade level’s respective assessment calendar.

As an International Baccalaureate World School, City Honors is required to have an assessment calendar that is accessible to students and parents. Additionally, during grade level common planning meetings, the majority of our grade level teacher groups recommended this as a solution to the age-old issue that schools face in balancing student workload.

The implementation of these calendars does not mean that students will no longer have two or more assessments on a particular day. Learning to navigate some of these hurdles and organizing time are important skills for students to develop prior to college and the working world. However, the calendars will assist faculty in gauging student workload when planning assessments for a particular day. It will also build student and parent awareness of upcoming days where they should be prepared in advance for greater demands.

The following link will take you to the assessment calendars for each grade level. We have also added a link to this page under the “Parents” tab of cityhonors.org: http://www.cityhonors.org/page/grade-level-assessment-calendar/

Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,

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Principal