NEW STUDENT & RETENTION PROGRAMS

Study Tips

- 1. Give yourself enough time to study.
 - •Set out a time table to study and stick to it.
 - •Although many claim that "last minute cramming" suits them best, it's not the best way to learn information for understanding and application.
- 2. Organize your study space.

•Being organized allows studying to take place without any interruptions to find supplies, clean up, or organize notes/ study tools

3. Study in groups.

•Studying in groups sets time aside for studying and helps to keep those who are studying on track.

- •People in study groups will keep you accountable and focused.
- •Because there are multiple people in groups, some members may understand a concept better than others and can share their knowledge and vice versa.

4. Take regular breaks.

•Studies have shown that in order to achieve maximum long-term retention, study breaks are necessary.

•Taking a break accompanied with a short snack or activity relieves stress and allows for easier refocusing when returning from the study break.

- 5. Eat healthy snacks or meals while studying!
 - •Studies have shown that eating healthy food or snacks really is like eating brain-food!
 - •Healthy foods allow for an even release of energy making for maximum study time.
- 6. Plan out your exam day, be on time, and don't be late!

•Many students feel the effects of test anxiety. Creating an exam day schedule, including prepping materials ahead of time, can help.

7. Drink plenty of water!

•Staying hydrated is important in everyday life but even more important if you want your body and brain to function at its best!

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