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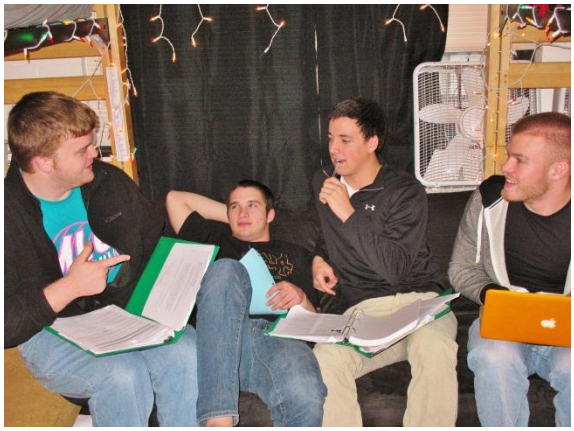
Exam Week

After months of studying, writing papers, and doing projects, it all comes down to this—the final exam. No sweat, right? While exam week can be stressful, it doesn't have to be. "Exams at MLC are harder than in high school but more career-oriented," says **Karla Kehl** *(Lakeside)*. "You actually feel like you've learned all of this, and it's just review. There's less time and more content to study, but you feel like you know most of it already if you've been doing your assignments." Having a study strategy is crucial. "Incrementing is the key to studying," says **Phil Janisch** *(West)*. "I like to study for a half hour to an hour and then take a 15- or 20-minute break. I will go for a walk or take a little snooze before I go and study again. It's a great way to keep the brain fresh." The cafeteria and library are great places to have study parties and still get in some social time. Perhaps **Nathan Gurgel** *(KML)* gives the best picture of studying during exam week at MLC: "I cuddle up with my snuggie, some hot cocoa, a few good textbooks, and the smiles of my friends to get me through the ice-cold exam-filled winter nights."

Hannah Mattek (WISCO) and Dave Roekle (Shoreland) study for exams together in the library.



Nathan Deering (MLS) teaches Jason Zweifel (Lakeside), Eric Mielke (WISCO), and Tim Bauman (WISCO) what they need to know for their next exam.

Snow Much Fun

For some, breaks from studying involve basking in the winter wonderland which is New Ulm. "My friends and I enjoyed the first snowfall with a snowball fight," says **Ashley Van Calster** *(FVL)*. "Then we went to the hill in front of the Hermann the German statue. Being the crazy kids we are, we slid down the hill like penguins on our stomachs, without sleds!" MLC students also have free access to an abundance of sleds, skis, and snowboards to enjoy the winter weather. Some use the snow to display their architectural abilities and creativity. **Luke Schwecke** *(Lakeside)*, pictured, was one of the designers of this giant bench-encompassing snowman built in front of the library. "Several of my cohorts and I made an igloo," says **Tony Schmidt** *(WISCO)*. "We rolled a bunch of snowballs together and dug out the middle. When it was completed, we fit five of us in it and were all able to stand up, for the most part. It was very fun but also very tiring."

So even with exams, there's plenty of time for fun. Just make sure it's only your skis and not your grades that are going downhill!

Upcoming Events @ MLC

12/20: Mid-Year Graduation
12/20: Christmas Break