



JERSEY SHORE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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April 14, 2023

Dear High School Parents or Guardians

The Keystone Assessments will be administered at Jersey Shore Area Senior High School in mid-May. All high school students across the state are required to take the Algebra I, Literature and Biology Keystone Assessment before they finish their junior year. All 9th grade students and select 10th grades students will be taking the Keystone Exam(s) in English Language Arts, Algebra, and Biology. All tests will begin in the morning starting directly after homeroom at approximately 8:15 AM. Each test is scheduled for 2 hours; however, students may take the time needed to complete the assessment.

- **May 15 and 16 / English Literature Test** – Students currently scheduled for **English Honors 1**.
- **May 17 and 18 / Algebra I Test** – Students scheduled for **Academic Algebra 1 and Career Algebra 2**.
- **May 22 and 23 / Biology Test** – Students currently scheduled for **Biology 9 and Biology**.

Students retaking the Keystones Exams, enrolled in JSOL, or enrolled in other courses may be scheduled for the exams on an individual basis. Enclosed is the official information from the Pennsylvania Department of Education regarding the Keystone Assessments. These documents include the following:

- Electronic Devices / Cell Phone Expectations
- Information for Parents or Guardians
- Pennsylvania Calculator Policy
- Code of Conduct for Test Takers

It is very important for your child to get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and attend school on testing days. If a student has an appointment on testing day, we request that you avoid the 8:15 to 11:00 AM time period. **Once a student starts a section it must be completed during that testing session.** If a student misses a test section due to absence, they will be expected to complete the missed section during a scheduled make up session when they are in school.

You will receive an individualized test report on your son or daughter's results during the fall months after the reports are received by the school. If you have any question, please contact the high school.

Sincerely

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