

## **Jersey Shore Area School District**

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## Jersey Shore Area Senior High School

April 22, 2025

Dear High School Parents or Guardians,

We hope that you enjoyed a restful and relaxing spring break. The return from spring break also brings about testing season for schools across the state. The other buildings begin with PSSAs. At the High School, we're wrapping up the NOCTIs and soon AP Exams and Keystone Assessments will follow.

The Keystone Assessments will be administered at Jersey Shore Area Senior High School in mid-May. *Effective* with the graduation class of 2023, Pennsylvania high school students across the state are required to take the Algebra I, Literature and Biology Keystone Assessment before they finish their junior year. Demonstrating proficiency on these exams meets one of the five Pathways to Graduation.

This year's testing schedule is as follows:

- May 12 & 13 / Algebra I Students in Algebra 1, Academic Algebra 1, Algebra 1A, Algebra 1B, Math 11, and Keystone Remediation
- May 14 & 15 / Literature- Students in English 9, English 9 Honors, English 10, Academic English 10, and English 9/10
- May 19 & 20 / Biology- Students in Biology, Biology 9 Honors, Science 10-12, and Keystone Biology.

Additionally, if your student is a junior and has not previously taken a specific Keystone exam, they will be enrolled due to Junior Accountability Requirements.

During these testing days we ask for your support in making sure students are present and on time as testing begins immediately after attendance is taken. If an assessment is missed, we will need to adjust the student's schedule when they return to complete the makeup assessments within the testing window.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students that do not meet Proficiency may be required to enroll in a remediation course next year and take the assessments again in 2025/2026.

Please see the attached letters from PDE regarding test security and other FAQs related to Keystone Testing.

We appreciate your continued support as we look forward to taking advantage of another opportunity to showcase what great students we have here at Jersey Shore!

Mr. Armbruster- Principal

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