



MARPLE NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The **Keystone Exams** meet the federal accountability criteria of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESSA) for the high school level. All public-school students in Pennsylvania must take the Keystone Exams for purposes of federal accountability. The Keystone Exams were created to replace the Grade 11 PSSA and serve as one component of Pennsylvania's statewide high school graduation requirement. Keystone Exams will help school districts guide students toward meeting state standards. The exams are end-of course assessments designed to assess proficiency in the subject areas of Algebra I, Literature, and Biology.

Pennsylvania Department of Education (n.d.). Keystone Exams. Retrieved from <https://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Assessment%20and%20Accountability/Keystones/Pages/default.aspx>

The high school Keystone Exam schedule is included in the chart below. ALL students should report to school, and students who are testing should report directly to their testing room by 7:40 am.

Test Date	Keystone Exam
Monday, January 8, 2024	Literature- Module 1 (am), Module 2 (pm)
Tuesday, January 9, 2024	Algebra I- Module 1 (am), Module 2 (pm)
Wednesday, January 10, 2024	Biology- Module 1 (am), Module 2 (pm)
Tuesday, January 16, 2024	<i>Makeup exams</i>
Wednesday, January 17, 2024	<i>Makeup exams, if necessary</i>

A list of student ID numbers and which test(s) each student is scheduled to take will be posted in Schoology and on the High School Webpage (under Academics Keystone Testing).

Also, included on the webpage (under Keystone Testing Additional Information) are the electronics (cell phone) policy, calculator policy, code of conduct for test takers. Please read and review the information with your child.

Respectfully,

Donald J. Tabar
Assistant Principal