



SEAFORD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Seaford High School

March, 2025

Nicole Schnabel
Principal

Melanie Judson
Assistant Principal

Alex Mantay
Assistant Principal

Dr. Adele V. Pecora
Superintendent of Schools

Greetings, SHS community,

Believe it or not, it's time for students and families to create study plans in preparation for end year examinations.

Advanced Placement exams take place in May and final exams, Regents, FLACS, and PLTW: Human Body Systems exams take place in June.

Once the final testing schedule is complete, it will be posted on the SHS Web Site under Students & Families → Testing.

Our dedicated teachers and National Honor Society advisors have worked hard to put together a full battery of review resources available to your child.

Resources to Help Prepare for End-Year Examinations

- **Teacher Extra Help Program** – Each teacher offers 3 extra help sessions each week. You can find the schedule on the SHS Web Site under Students & Families → Teacher Extra Help Schedule. We highly recommend students remain **proactive not reactive** when it comes to attending extra help.
- **Academy Program** – SHS offers a full schedule of review sessions for each AP, Regents, FLACS, and PLTW exam offered. These review sessions provide an opportunity for students to receive additional review, ask questions, and work on practice exam questions. The academy schedule can be found this week on the SHS Web Site under Students & Families → Testing. Please note that teachers work together to create a schedule with as few conflicts as possible. Please check the link for any schedule updates regularly.
- **NHS Peer Tutoring Program** – The National Honor Society peer tutoring program pairs upperclassmen experienced in any particular subject area with students currently needing some extra assistance in each area. Sessions occur at a mutually agreed upon time and can include during a common period during the day or after school. While

most tutoring occurs at the SHS Library, student pairs can make any arrangement that works for them. You can request a peer tutor at this link. Contact Mr. Frank Stazzone (fstazzone@seaford.k12.ny.us) or Mr. Justin McCormack (jmccormack@seaford.k12.ny.us) for more information.

- **After-School Library Study Hours** – The SHS Library is open after school from 2:10 until 2:50 each day, with study materials for every content area accessible to our students. When available, peer tutors from the National Honor Society are on standby, available for assistance. Ms. Marianne DeMille oversees the after-school library program at this time and can be contacted with any questions (mdemille@seaford.k12.ny.us).
- **Study Skills & Organizational Group** – Anxious about everything mentioned here? Your child does not need to face test preparation alone! The SHS Wellness Team facilitates a study skills group that addresses skills students can implement for greater test-prep success while reducing any test anxiety. For more information, please contact Ms. Shannon Lavin, psychologist (slavin@seaford.k12.ny.us), Ms. Felicia Flammia, psychologist, (fflammia@seaford.k12.ny.us), or Ms. Sharon Klein, social worker (sklein@seaford.k12.ny.us). Any member of our wellness team is also available for one-on-one appointments to address any of the above needs.

The most successful students take advantage of all of the above opportunities *no matter what their current academic status*. Attending academies and extra help sessions can have a significant impact in a student's deeper understanding of the material and overall success on all exams.

Frequently Asked Questions about End-Year Exams

Can my child retake Regents exam to obtain a higher score?

It is certainly a point of pride to achieve the best score possible on any exam, and it's important to keep in mind that Regents Exam scores are included on each student's transcript. These transcripts are analyzed by colleges and future employers. If your child would like to take advantage of this opportunity, please ask them to contact their counselor with this request. The highest grade earned is the grade that will count and be posted to the students' transcripts. A grade of an 85 or higher is considered "mastery level" and something every student should strive to earn!

What if my child has failed Regents Exam for a previously taken course?

In most circumstances, if your child has failed a Regents Exam, their counselor has already enrolled them in the opportunity to take the exam again this upcoming June. If this applies to your child, we will be in touch with a separate letter that details any testing information in addition to ones affiliated with current courses on their schedule.

Assistant Principal Mr. Alex Mantay (amantay@seaford.k12.ny.us) oversees our testing program and can answer any questions you have at any time. We look forward to working together to provide your child with any resource necessary to succeed both in and out of the classroom.

Sincerely Yours in Seaford Pride,

Ms. Schnabel, Ms. Judson, and Mr. Mantay