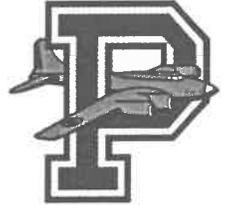


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RE: Keystone Testing

Dear Parents / Guardians,

In January and May, your child took standardized tests administered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania called the Keystone tests. These tests are given at the end of a semester and the end of a school year to assess proficiency in various subjects (Algebra I, Literature, and Biology). Your child's scores from the Winter tests are enclosed. These test results will also be included on your child's official transcript.

Here is a summary of the school results for these tests taken during the Winter:

Algebra I (Most of the students taking this particular test were retesting. That is why the results do not match our usual scores.)

Advanced: 2.94%
Proficient: 23.53%
Basic: 70.59%
Below Basic: 2.94%

Biology

Advanced: 7.27%
Proficient: 23.63%
Basic: 40.00%
Below Basic: 29.10%

Literature

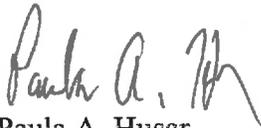
Advanced: 1.67%
Proficient: 35.00%
Basic: 43.33%
Below Basic: 20.00%

At the high school, we will continue to analyze the test data to determine the appropriate steps to improve overall performance. Every school's goal is to have every student reach proficiency or manage various pathways that will enable them to graduate from high school.

Please understand that passing the Keystone tests is a graduation requirement. It is the responsibility of the student to make sure that if the Keystone tests are waived due to religious beliefs, an alternative measure or measures will be issued. It is up to the student to meet that requirement.

The next round of Keystone testing will be in January 2026. The expected release of the Spring 2025 Keystone scores is in July. As always, I will keep you updated.

Sincerely,



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