



RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

100 School Lane, Blairsville, PA 15717

Mr. Brian Higginbotham, Principal



April 13, 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This letter is to inform you about the upcoming spring Keystone Exam testing window at River Valley High School. The Keystone Exams are Pennsylvania's statewide end-of-course assessments designed to measure student proficiency in Algebra I, Literature, and Biology. Under this regulation, students must demonstrate proficiency, defined as earning a score of 1500 or higher, on each of the three Keystone Exams in order to meet statewide graduation requirements (Act 158).

Students currently enrolled in a Keystone trigger course (Algebra I, English 9, Biology) or students who have not yet attained a proficient score on a prior administration of a Keystone Exam will be assessed at this time.

Your student is scheduled to take the Keystone Exams listed below.

Algebra Keystone	May 11 th & 12 th
Literature Keystone	May 13 th & 14 th
Biology Keystone	May 18 th & 19 th

We encourage you to discuss the importance of these assessments with your child and remind them to put forth their best effort. Performing well on the Keystone Exams not only fulfills a state graduation requirement but also reflects your child's mastery of key academic skills necessary for future success.

Testing Logistics for River Valley Cyber Academy Students:

All River Valley Cyber Academy students are expected to test in-person on their scheduled testing day(s). After completing their exam, students may either remain in the cyber lab for the remainder of the school day or be picked up in the main office once testing concludes for the day (typically around 10:30am).

For additional Keystone Exam information, please visit our district website and navigate to Curriculum & Instruction → State and Local Assessments for the 2026 Keystone Testing Code of Conduct, Device Policy, Calculator Policy and FAQs.

We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and support in ensuring your child's success. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact the Guidance Office at (724) 459-5500 ext. 3125.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brian Higginbotham

Principal

Mrs. Chelsea Evans

School Counselor