



Wyomissing Area School District

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Students who completed Biology, English Literature or Algebra I courses last school year will participate in the Pennsylvania Keystone Exams Tuesday, December 8, 2020, through Thursday, December 10, 2020. These students were unable to take the Keystone Exams last spring due to the school closure. Students are expected to participate in the exam sessions during the Winter December 2020 wave of administration. Students who are absent and miss their scheduled exam will be pulled from their scheduled live (in-person) and/or webex classes the following week to make-up any missed Keystone exams.

Currently in Pennsylvania, students in the Class of 2022 must meet the requirements for graduation set forth by the Department of Education. There are several pathways to meet the graduation requirements, but the first two pathways are based solely on Keystone Exam scores.

The Pennsylvania Keystone Exams are standards-based, criterion-referenced assessments used to measure a student's attainment of the academic core content standards and the degree to which school programs enable students to attain proficiency of the standards. Each assessment consists of multiple-choice and constructed-response, or opened-ended questions. More information about the different types of questions, scoring guidelines, and score reports are included in the Information for Parents or Guardians (Pennsylvania Keystone Exams) document provided by the State (attached below).

The results of each assessment provide valuable data to the School District which is used for program planning and improvement purposes. Individual student reports for all assessments will be sent to the School District for distribution in the spring. As soon as individual student results are received, a copy will be mailed to parents/guardians.

Important Information for Parents/Guardians: Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (Keystone Exams)

Biology Assessment	Tuesday, December 8, 2020
Algebra I Assessment	Wednesday, December 9, 2020
English Literature Assessment	Thursday, December 10, 2020

- Students will complete two test modules on each of the designated testing days.
- Only learning support students and students taking the Keystone Exams will be in the building on testing dates.
- Students who are not scheduled to take Keystone Exams will participate in asynchronous lessons at home.
- Despite your student's designation as a Hybrid A, Hybrid B or WAVE student, it is expected that they attend school on the assigned testing days, based on the assessment(s) they must complete.
- BCTC students who are scheduled to take Keystone Exams will not report to BCTC on their assigned testing days; attendance at BCTC will be listed as excused.
- Anyone who is rostered to take a Keystone Exam must fill out the Google Doc using the following link to determine transportation needs.

<https://forms.gle/ZeTDDvHhKxXPGMAY8>

Please review the following documents attached to this letter:

Winter Keystone Testing Schedule
Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy
Information for Parents or Guardians (Pennsylvania Keystone Exams)

As with any testing program, your support and encouragement are greatly appreciated. Your student's attendance during these tests is of the utmost importance. If you would like additional information or if you have any questions regarding the Keystone Exams (i.e. - administration, review process, etc.) you may contact your student's principal.

Robert Scoboria

Sincerely,
Robert L. Scoboria
Superintendent