

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires all school districts to administer the Keystone Exams in Algebra 1, Biology, and Literature. The dates of the testing windows established by the PA Department of Education (PDE) are January 7 through January 18.

Additionally, please review these very important PDE policies linked on our website to fully understand the state-testing program:

- Information for Parents/Guardians (Q/A)
- Code of Conduct for Test Takers
- Use of cell phones/electronic devices
- Pennsylvania Calculator Policy

Assessment scores represent a snapshot in time of student performance and should not be considered the sole indicator of student achievement. Data obtained from each assessment serves as one of the tools for planning school programs, designing curriculum and instruction and providing information to the public.

Parents may help their children prepare for the assessments by encouraging them to get plenty of rest the night before testing and have a good breakfast on the mornings of the test. Encourage your child to have a confident and positive attitude toward the assessments.

Thank you in advance, for your support. If you have any questions about the test or its administration, please do not hesitate to call or email me or your school principal.

Sincerely,

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