



HARRISBURG HIGH SCHOOL, JOHN HARRIS CAMPUS

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Dear John Harris Campus Parents, Guardians, and Families:

The Pennsylvania Keystone Exams are mandated by the State and Federal Governments as an end of course exam for Algebra I, 10th Grade Literature, and Biology. All students that are currently taking the course (Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, or English II) are required to take the Spring keystones along with 11th grade students who have not earned a proficient score.

Act 158 outlines pathways to graduation. Starting with the Class of 2023, students who pass all Keystone courses within their school and attain proficiency on the three end-of-course Keystone Exams will have achieved the statewide graduation requirement. There are other pathways to graduation for students that do not acquire a proficient score on state assessments. Those pathways can be found on the PDE website (education.pa.gov).

Below, you will find the Spring Keystone Exam Schedule for Harrisburg High School: John Harris Campus. Students who are required to take the Keystone Exams will report to school by 7:40 a.m. on the day of their exam. Buses will pick up testing students at the regular time.

Students who are **not** required to take the exam will report to school between 9:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m. Non-testing students who ride a bus will be picked up three hours later than the regular time. For example, if the bus normally arrives at 7:05 a.m., on testing day, the bus will arrive at 10:05 a.m. **Non-testing students will not be permitted to enter the building before 9:30 a.m.** After testing, all students will remain in school until 2:45 p.m. HVLA students will be dismissed after testing.

Testing Schedule:

May 18	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Literature, Module I
May 19	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Literature, Module II
May 20	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Biology, Module I
May 23	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Biology Module II
May 24	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Algebra, Module I
May 25	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Algebra, Module II

Before testing, students are encouraged to get a good night's sleep. After testing, students may only engage in reading following the completion of the test. Students should bring a book they enjoy reading. Books will also be available in the classroom. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to the testing session. Please reach out to your child's counselor if there are questions.

Finally, please see the enclosed letter regarding electronic devices. Students are not permitted to have electronic devices (including smart watches) during testing. Students who bring an electronic device to the testing location will be required to give the device to the test administrator.

Respectfully,

Michelle Felton, Principal

Our Vision: Empower all students with a high-quality education through a respectful, collaborative, supportive, professional learning community in which all achievements are celebrated!