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## 2023-2024 Winter Keystone Exams Testing Window

Hempfield High School Hempfield High School Algebra 1, Biology & Literature Make-ups (All Subjects)

January 3 – 9, 2024 Ongoing until January 17, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Pennsylvania Department of Education has established windows during which the Keystone Exams will occur. These assessments are administered in all 500 public school districts in Pennsylvania with the exception of a very few number of students who meet specific criteria for participation in an alternate assessment. All district students enrolled in Keystone-related courses are expected to participate in the state assessments as shown above.

All assessment items are written to align with Pennsylvania's Core Standards for the specific subject being assessed. The results of each assessment provide valuable data to the school district, which are used for program planning and improvement purposes.

Two copies of the individual student report for all assessments will be sent to the school district in early spring for distribution to parents, teachers, guidance counselors, and/or principals. As soon as individual student results are received, a copy will be provided to parents.

Additional important information from the PA Department of Education (Calculator Policy, Cell Phone Smart Phone Electronic Device Policy (in English and Spanish), Code of Conduct for Test Takers, Information for Parents and Guardians, Información para padres o tutores) is posted on the State Assessments page of the district website. <a href="State Assessments Hempfield">State Assessments Hempfield</a>.

If you have any additional questions about the purpose, contents, or assessment process related to the Keystone Exams that will occur in January, please contact your child's principal.

Sincerely,

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