

Bristol Borough School District
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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are writing to provide you with information regarding PSSA and Keystone testing for your children. The Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act requires schools to administer standardized assessments to students in grades 3-8 and high school in the spring of each school year. Last year, the U.S. Department of Education waived these standardized assessment requirements because of the COVID Pandemic. The U.S. Department of Education has NOT granted an assessment waiver for the school year 2020-2021.

The assessment results will inform us of students' current academic levels. The school district will use that information for future planning to meet the needs of our students.

Here is the testing schedule for duration of the assessments:

PSSA

- ELA (English Language Arts) for grades 3-8: May 10, 11 & 12
- Math for grades 3-8: May 13 & 17
- Science for grades 4 & 8: May 19 & 20

PSSA for Virtual Students

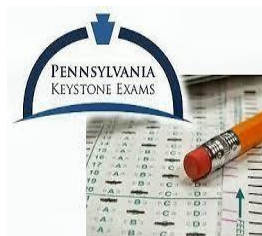
- ELA (English Language Arts) for grades 3-8: May 19, 20 & 21
- Math for grades 3-8: May 24 & 25
- Science for grades 4 & 8: May 26 & 27

Parents of **Snyder-Girotti virtual students** will drop them off at the main entrance on the above dates by 8:15 and will pick them up at 10:15 AM.

Bristol Middle School virtual students will report to BHS at the main entrance on the above dates by 8:00 AM. Students will be dismissed at 10:00 AM.

Attached, you will find general information regarding the PSSA along with an extremely important document regarding cell phone possession during the assessment. Please be sure to review and discuss this information with your child.

[PSSA Frequently Asked Questions for Parents and Guardians](#)



Keystone Exam Testing Schedule

The Keystone Exams are end-of-course assessments designed to evaluate proficiency in three academic content areas: Literature, Biology, and Algebra I. For example, students currently enrolled in English 10 are required to take the Literature Exam, and students who are enrolled in Biology, Algebra I, or Algebra I part 2 are required to take the respective Keystone exams for those subjects. If your child is enrolled in one of these classes they are required to complete the tests this spring. One important aspect of the law is that starting with the class of 2019 (the current 10th grade) students must demonstrate proficiency on these exams to graduate.

2021 Keystone Examination Schedule (7:45-9:45 AM, including Virtual Students)

- May 19 – 20: Literature
- May 24 – 25: Algebra
- May 26 – 27: Biology

[Keystone Frequently Asked Questions for Parents and Guardians](#)

If you have any questions, you may contact us at the school via phone or email. Thank you for all you do to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

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