



CENTRAL GREENE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Winter Keystone Exams will be administered on December 5-7, 2022 at Waynesburg Central High School.

Waynesburg Central High School
Literature – December 5th
Algebra – December 6th
Biology – December 7th

The Keystone Exams are end-of-course assessments designed to evaluate proficiency in academic content. The assessments are designed to assist school districts in determining the quality of their educational programs. Parents can reassure children that these assessments give them an opportunity to demonstrate their learning and help teachers plan the best possible instruction. These assessments will also determine school achievement for the school and district. Please know participation in the Keystone Exams is a requirement for graduation pathways according to PA Act 158.

Per the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE), there are rules and policies regarding electronic devices (cell phones, smart phones, and other prohibited devices) during the administration of the Keystone Exams. In addition, **please read the letter from PDE to parents**, and share this important information below with your child:

We encourage students, if applicable, to leave cell phones and electronic devices at home on the days of testing. This includes any electronic reading device.

Students are not permitted to have cell phones, smart phones, smart watches, fitness trackers, cameras, and other prohibited electronic devices during the administration of the assessment. These items will be collected as students enter the testing site (classroom), should they bring them to school. These items will be returned to the student, once all testing is complete for that day.

We thank parents and guardians for supporting the assessments. Here are some ways you can assist:

- Be sure your child receives a good night's sleep (at least 8 hours).
- Start the day with plenty of time and avoid a morning rush to school.
- Be sure your child has a good breakfast.
- Please avoid unnecessary absences.
- Do not schedule any medical or other appointments during the test times
- Encourage your child to do his/her best work!

Please feel free to contact your child's principal or guidance counselor should you have any questions.

Thank you for your support,

Sean Van Eman
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