



CHESTER HIGH SCHOOL

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September 6, 2021

Greeting Chester High School Families:

The Pennsylvania Department of Education has determined that all PSSA and Keystone testing for the 2020-21 academic year must be completed by September 30, 2021. In order to comply with this mandate, Chester High School will be conducting these exams during the weeks of September 7, 2021 to September 30, 2021. Students in the categories listed below will test on some or all of those days.

Students in Grade 9, whom attended Toby Farms School/ STEM as 8th Grade Students during the 2020-2021 school year, but now attend Chester High School are required to take the PSSA. Newly admitted students that did not attend CUSD schools as an 8th grade student during the 2020-2021 school year, will not be required to take the PSSA at Chester High School.

Beginning September 8, 2021, The PSSA Team and CHS Admin Team have created an instructional delivery plan for students that are not required to the PSSA at Chester High School. The students in Grade 9 will be required to enter Chester High School at the normal school time 7:15 a.m. if riding the bus/ 7:30 a.m. arrival time for walkers. An Asynchronous learning model will be delivered to students from 7:59 a.m. to 10:34 a.m. in a designated location of the school building.

Grades 10 -12 will follow their normal school schedule in the morning. Modifications will be made as necessary to prevent interruption in the school schedule.

Please see below the PSSA Testing Schedule:

Date	Test	Grade
Wednesday, September 8	PSSA ELA	9
Thursday, September 9	PSSA ELA	9
Friday, September 10	PSSA ELA	9
Monday, September 13	PSSA Math	9
Tuesday, September 14	PSSA Math	9
Wednesday, September 15	PSSA Science	9
Thursday, September 16	PSSA Science	9

Friday, September 17	Make-ups	9 th Testers
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Students in the EL Classrooms will be administered the WIDA Assessments beginning September 7, 2021- September 16, 2021. The students are expected to report to school during the normal hours.

KEYSTONE EXAM

The Keystone Exams will be administered during the week of September 20, 2021- September 24, 2021. Many of the 10th and 11th Grade Students have to take the Keystone Exam during the week September 20, 2021 – September 21, 2021.

The asynchronous model will be used to deliver instruction for grades 9 and 12 at Chester High School.

All Grade 9 students are expected to report to school at their normal school hours. Students in Grade 9 will report to their perspective class advisory and complete asynchronous assignments. There will be no movement during Keystone Exams.

All Grade 12 students are expected to receive asynchronous assignments on the 5th Flor C-Side. Assigned classrooms will be given to seniors to complete asynchronous assignments. No movement is made during testing. **Only seniors have the option to complete asynchronous assignments from home with parental or guardian approval.** Students in Grade 12 is required to report to school at 10:30 by 4th period class. If a Grade 12 student receives permission to do asynchronous assignments at home from their parent/guardian, then the senior must complete all assignments to be credited for attendance. **Bus transportation will only be provided to bus riders.**

Grades 10- 11, are required to report to school on time for Keystone Exams. Grade 10 and 11 will receive designated floors to test on from 8:00 a.m. – 10:34 a.m. Please see below the Keystone Testing schedule.

DATE	EXAMS	TESTING STUDENTS
Monday, September 20	Keystone Biology	10-11 Testers
Tuesday, September 21	Keystone ELA	10-11 Testers
Wednesday, September 22	Keystone Algebra	10-11 Testers
Thursday, September 23	Make-ups	10-11 Testers
Friday, September 24	Make-ups	10-11 Testers

We realize that a schedule adjustment such as this at the beginning of the school year may be difficult for students and families. Given our unavoidable responsibility to conduct testing, this schedule is the best solution. If you would like to opt your child out of testing, please visit [Link](#) to indicate your decision.

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Daily Schedule for Testing		
Effective Dates: September 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, & 24		
Student Arrival #1	7:15 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Students enter building and eat breakfast. Students are directed to their testing room OR their asynchronous period location. All students must be in their assigned room by 7:50 AM
Testing/Asynchronous Instructional Period	8:00-10:00	Testers take exams Asynchronous students complete work with assistance from teachers
Student Arrival #2 Seniors only	10:30 a.m.	Students who took asynchronous period from home may begin arriving. These students must enter the building between 10:00 and 10:15
Regular schedule starts at 4th pd.	10:34 a.m.	All students report to their 4/5pd. and complete the regular bell schedule the rest of the day
Regular Lunch	4 th , 6 th , 8 th	All students report to their regular lunch as scheduled
Day ends at 2:30 as scheduled	2:30	All students will be dismissed at 2:30.

How do I know if my child is a “Tester” and on which day they will have their tests?

Student Grade	Where did student attend school last year?	Is the student a tester?	What are the student’s testing days?
9th Graders	Attended STEM or Toby Farms in 2020-21	TESTER	September 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17
	Attended another school in 2020-21	NON-TESTER	N/A

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10th Graders	Attended STEM or Chester High in 2020-21	TESTER	September 20, 21, 22, 23
	Attended another school in 2020-21	NON-TESTER	N/A
11th Graders	Attended STEM or Chester High in 2020-21	TESTER	September 20, 21, 22, 23
	Attended another school in 2020-21	NON-TESTER	N/A
12th Graders	All 12 th Graders	NON-TESTER	N/A

Educationally Yours,

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