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"ALL LEARNERS, ALL FUTURES"

To: Learners, Parents, and Guardians **From:** Mr. Travis Lee, High School Principal

Re: HAHS School Update

Date: May 5, 2022

Greetings HAHS Students, Parents, and Guardians,

The Spring 2022 Keystones Exams are scheduled for Tuesday, May 17 (Algebra I), Wednesday, May 18 (Literature), and Thursday, May 19 (Biology). These tests are extremely important to determine student mastery of the concepts in these courses. Furthermore, proficiency on these tests is important for students to meet the state's Act 158 Graduation Requirements, which impacts our current juniors (Class of 2023) and younger students.

Administering these exams, especially when students in Grades 9, 10, and 11 may be testing, and scheduling test proctors and alternate room assignments, is a challenging task with many students that may be missing from assigned classes. Therefore, HAHS will have a Flexible Instructional Day (FID) on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, for students that are not taking the Algebra I exam. All students that are scheduled for the Algebra I exam should be in attendance. The only students that should be in physical attendance at HAHS are those that are taking the Algebra I exam, those that attend the HCCTC and need to utilize school transportation, or those with permission from the HS Office. Students will have asynchronous assignments posted for them to complete in each class's Google Classroom. Due to proctoring of exams, teachers will not be having live sessions with students, but students may email teachers and follow-up with them during the next day.

Please note that a Flexible Instructional Day will only be scheduled for the first day of testing on Tuesday, May 17. All students should be in attendance during the additional testing dates.

Letters for students that are taking the Keystone Exams were mailed to families yesterday. These letters explain the expectations for the exams and which tests that students will be taking. An informational session about the Keystone Exams will be scheduled with students during the Covid-ER period next week, and a general letter is also posted to the HAHS website, explaining these expectations.

HAHS has also finally received the official family letters with the Winter 2021-2022 Keystone results. These letters will be sent in a separate mailing, and students will be provided with a copy of their results during the Covid-ER meetings. (shared with homeroom teachers)

Thank you for your understanding and helping us to create a supporting testing environment for these important exams.

Sincerely,

Travis R. Lee, HAHS Principal