



# Neshaminy School District

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Dear Neshaminy Parents and Guardians:

The Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act requires school districts to administer the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) and the Keystone Exams in the spring of each school year. The PSSA is the Pennsylvania Department of Education's (PDE) annual standards-based assessment used to measure a student's attainment of the Pennsylvania Academic Standards in English-Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science. The Keystone Exams are end-of-course exams given to students completing Algebra 1, Biology, and/or English 10 (Literature Exam) as part of a graduation requirement.

The Neshaminy School District will be administering the 2022 assessments in April and May to ensure students instructional schedules are not interrupted. The table below indicates dates for each grade/subject level assessment.

<b><u>PSSA Testing Dates</u></b>	
English Language Arts (Grades 3-4)	April 25-27, 2022
English Language Arts (Grades 5-8)	April 26-28, 2022
Math (Grade 3-8)	May 2 & 3, 2022
Science (Grade 4 & 8)	Grade 4: May 4 & 5, 2022 Grade 8: May 5, 2022
<b><u>Keystone Testing Dates</u></b>	
Biology	May 16 & 18, 2022
English 10 (Literature)	May 23 & 24, 2022
Algebra 1	Middle School: May 18 & 19, 2022 High School: May 19 & 20, 2022

Chapter 4 of Title 22 of the Pa. Code (22 Pa. code 4.4) provides for the right of any parent/guardian to excuse his/her child from the state assessment if, upon inspection of the testing materials, he/she finds the assessment to conflict with his/her religious beliefs. **This is the only basis for a parent/guardian to excuse his or her child from the statewide assessments.**

Finally, attached are PDE's *Information for Parents or Guardians - Frequently Asked Questions* and information concerning electronic devices as they pertain to PSSA and Keystone testing. This information will also be posted on the District's website.

Thank you for your support throughout the PSSA and Keystone testing sessions. If you have additional questions, please contact us directly or your child's school principal.

Sincerely,

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