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Dear Oxford Area High School students and families,

The Oxford Area High School will be administering the Keystone Exams this spring. The exams will be administered on the following dates:

Literature – May 14, 15 Biology – May 16, 17 Algebra – May 21, 22

These tests will be administered to students enrolled in Algebra I, Biology, and 10th grade English. Testing will begin at approximately 7:50 and will conclude around 10:00. Extended time is available as needed for students. Students taking the exam will report directly to their testing station. Testing stations will be assigned ahead of time and posted at several prominent throughout the school.

Please know that student performance on Keystone Exams is a major component of the Pathways to Graduation under Act 158. As such, it is important for all students to put forth their best effort, as proficient scores can satisfy the Commonwealth's graduation requirements.

As in previous years, there are very strict rules on technology usage in and around the assessments. As such, electronic devices are not allowed to be possessed by students during testing. Consequences for being in possession of an electronic devices during testing can face consequences ranging from the OASD code of conduct to prosecution under state or federal copyright laws. Proctors will collect electronic devices prior to the exam and return them afterwards. Please talk to your son or daughter and remind them to leave their electronic device in their locker or turn them into their proctor beforehand.

One this webpage are links to several resources that have been released by PDE. Please review them at your convenience.

Thank you for your support during our Keystone exams. Please reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

James A. Canaday, Principal

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