



Maritime Academy Charter School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Each year, the Pennsylvania Department of Education utilizes the Keystone Exams to measure the proficiency of students currently enrolled in Algebra I, Biology, and English I. Achieving proficiency in these end-of-course exams is an important goal. This year we will use the results as a diagnostic tool to help the school understand where the students are, and the information will help us identify areas where the students need additional support. We do not want our cadets to stress over the exam, however, we do want them to do their best so we have a true measure of what the teachers need to reteach.

Each exam consists of two (2) modules taken over the course of two days, and will be administered from **8:30 AM – 11:00 AM each day**. Please ensure your child gets plenty of sleep and is present and on time each of these days. On the days the 9th and 10th grades are testing the other grades will be virtual.

Testing calendar: 8:30 AM – 11:15 PM (Half day for students testing)

- **English Literature Keystone Exam:** Monday, May 17th & Wednesday, May 19th
(Grades 10th, 11th and – 12th virtual learning days – seniors will be asynchronous)
- **Biology Keystone Exam:** Thursday, May 20th & Friday, May 21st
(Grades 9th, 11th, and 12th virtual learning days - seniors will be asynchronous)
- **Algebra 1 Keystone Exam:** Monday, May 24th & Tuesday, May 25th
(Grades 10th, 11th and 12th virtual learning days seniors will be asynchronous)

Students will need to bring their computers fully charged to school) Exam will be taken on-line on the computer the same way they took the CDTs earlier in the year. They will receive their codes that morning. The test will be administered in 11 different classes. All the schedules, rosters and required sign-offs will be issued the day of the exams.

May 18th AP students take the exam in person (on-line) 11:30 – 4:00 PM

May 19th AP US History students take the exam in person (on-line) 11:30 – 4:00 PM

It is a half day for the 12th grade AP students on May 19th.

Frequently asked questions, exam format, and sample questions are a part of our Study Island program. To help develop mastery, students are expected to do at least 30 minutes twice a week. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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