



Carlisle Area School District
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Colleen M. Friend, Ed.D., Superintendent

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Dear CASD Families:

The purpose of this letter is to provide information on your student's upcoming PSSA and/or Keystone testing experience. All schools in Pennsylvania are required by law to administer a reading and a mathematics assessment test in grades 3 through 8 and a science assessment in grades 4 and 8. The district is also required to administer the Keystone Exam after students have completed Algebra I, English II and Biology I. These tests will be administered to your child according to the following schedule:

<u>Grade(s)</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Dates</u>
3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	English/Language Arts	April 24, 25, 26
3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	Mathematics	May 1 & 2
4 th	Science	May 3 & 4

Parents who wish to preview the test should make arrangements in advance by contacting the appropriate building principal.

Additional documents attached to this message include:

- PSSA and Keystone FAQs
- Code of Conduct for Test Takers
- CASD Electronic Device Policy During Testing

Special Note for Families of High School Students: Please note that the Pennsylvania Department of Education has revised graduation requirements and pathways, beginning with the Class of 2023 (current juniors). The Keystone exams are a part of multiple graduation pathways, and we urge students to take the exams. More information will be forthcoming from your principals.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Gogoj
Assistant Superintendent