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Dear Parents,

In December and January, many of our students took the Keystone Exams in Literature, Biology, and /or Algebra. Enclosed are the state reports with your child's results. If your child is proficient or advanced in any of the tested areas, they will not have to retest. Students that are Basic or Below Basic may be retested before their 11<sup>th</sup> grade year is completed.

In February, Senate Bill 880 was unanimously approved by the State Senate and signed by Governor Wolfe delaying the use of Keystone Exams in Algebra 1, Biology, and Literature as a graduation requirement from 2017 to 2019. They have also asked the Department of Education to look at alternate ways for graduation. PDE is expected to respond within six months with a new plan. We will share their findings when we are made aware of them.

The state does require that all scores will be posted on student transcripts. This will begin for next year's graduation class.

The next set of exam dates are as follows:

Literature: May 16 & 17

Biology: May 19 & 20

Algebra: May 24 & 25

Sincerely,

Robert G. Galtere  
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