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## Greetings Knight Families:

3/17/2022

I hope this communication finds you well. This has been a difficult year with all the changes; however, we have made it through in spite of all that is going on around the world. According to HB 67, regarding End of Course exams, all scholars in the State of Ohio must take and score at least a 3 out of 5 possible points on Ohio State Tests (OST)/End of Course (EOC) tests to graduate.

The OST/EOC tests consist of six tests: Algebra I, ELA II, Geometry, Biology, U.S. History, and Government. If a scholar stays on track and passes with a score of three (3) or above, then all OST/EOC testing is completed by the 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

If a scholar does not score at least a 3 out of a possible 5 points, then he or she will need to re-take any of the aforementioned assessments until proficient. Our graduation demands are in alignment with the State of Ohio Department of Education requirements. We need all scholars to take the End of Course testing seriously and to do their very best on the tests. It is best to score above a three (3) on the first attempt.

Our End of Course Testing/OST will begin on March 30, 2022, the Wednesday we return from spring break. Families, this is where you can assist your scholar in doing their best on the tests.

- ✓ We need all scholars well rested, as each test is approximately two or more hours in length.
- ✓ We need every scholar to arrive ON TIME, before 8:00AM.
- ✓ Testing will begin promptly at 8:20AM
- ✓ NO SCHOLAR WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE TESTING ROOMS IF THEY ARRIVE AFTER 8:10am! The scholar will be required to make up the test as outlined below.
- ✓ The testing window will begin on March 30, 2022 and end April 29, 2022.

In efforts to ensure the best possible testing environment, we are implementing the below testing schedule. All scholars must bring their laptop, fully charged on the designated test dates.

## **Testing Dates:**

Wednesday, March 30	ELA exams
Friday, April 1	ELA make-up day
Wednesday, April 6	Science exams
Friday, April 8	Science and any remaining ELA make-up day
Wednesday, April 13	Mathematics exams
Wednesday, April 20	Social Studies exams
Wednesday, April 27	Math and Social Studies make-up day
Friday, April 29	Last day to make up any tests administered

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## **Testing Block Schedule:**

8:05 – 8:15 AM	Homeroom: Students will be divided based on test being administered that particular day	
8:20 – 10:20 AM	Testing Session: Part 1	
10:20 – 10:30 AM	BREAK: 10 minutes	
10:30 - 12:30 PM	Testing Session: Part 2	
12:35 – 1:05 PM	LUNCH: 9th Graders	GYM ACTIVITIES: Grades 10, 11, and 12
1:05 – 1:09 PM	TRANSITION	Grade 10 does not transition during this time.
1:09 - 1:39 PM	LUNCH: 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup>	GYM ACTIVITIES: Grades 9 and 10
1:39 – 1:43 PM	TRANSITION	Grade 9 does not transition during this time.
1:43 – 2:13 PM	LUNCH: 10 <sup>th</sup> Graders	GYM ACTIVITIES: Grades 9, 11 and 12
2:13 – 2:17 PM	TRANSITION: All students transition back to their homerooms	
2:17 – 3:30 PM	BLOCK 5: Homeroom Activities (Test taking skills, debriefs, SEL, etc.)	

## **Uniform Expectations:**

• All students are expected to report to school daily in full uniforms

Should you have any questions regarding the End of Course schedule, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the leadership team.

Yours in Education, NEO HS Leadership Team,

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