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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

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On Tuesday, January 22, 2019, POBJFK HS will commence our **Midterm Week** which will conclude on Friday, January 25, 2019. Attached, is our **Testing Schedule**, which is also posted on our website. **On testing days, students are expected to report to school only when they are scheduled for an examination.** Students should arrive at the assigned testing room (information they will receive in their subject classes, and which will also be posted online at a later date) at the time listed for that testing period. The testing schedule allows 15 minutes for seating, reading of directions, and attendance before the exam begins. Students are expected to leave the school building immediately following the completion of their last examination on each day of testing. Students who have morning and afternoon exams on the same day will be permitted to relax and socialize in the cafeteria in between their exams. There will only be vending machine snacks available for purchase; cafeteria food will not be available. If students so desire, they may leave the building between the AM and PM sessions to go out for lunch, or they may bring lunch with them to the cafeteria.

In order to maintain **TEST SECURITY** and guard against disruptions during State exams, the following procedures are being implemented, in accordance with recommendations from the New York State Education Department.

- Only students who are scheduled for exams or other planned activities will be admitted to the building.
- All halls must be kept clear during examination periods.
- Entrance to the building is restricted to the front entrance. **ALL STUDENTS MUST ENTER THROUGH THESE DOORS.**
- **Students will only be permitted to bring pens, pencils, review books, written review notes, and calculators, if required, for exams. Bagged lunches are permissible. Backpacks, purses, handbags, and electronic devices including, but not limited to, iPods, iPads, smart watches, cell phones and other personal devices will NOT be permitted.**
- **If a student brings an electronic device into an examination room, the student's exam will be invalidated and the student will receive a zero on that exam.**
- **Should an emergency force the evacuation of the building, any communication between students, as determined by the judgment of the proctor, will invalidate that student's exam.**

On testing days, students who still choose to bring to school personal belongings, as listed above, will be required to check such items with school personnel upon entering the building. Since we are not able to secure large quantities of personal items, students should refrain from bringing them to school. Such items will be available for return after finishing their test. **POBCSD will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items.** While these restrictions are inconvenient, they are designed for the benefit of those students who are taking important statewide examinations **and are mandated by the NYS Education Department.**

Due to the large number of exams administered during our testing weeks, students may experience a potential conflict within their testing schedule. Upon review of the attached Testing Schedule, if you discover a testing conflict (2 or more of exams scheduled at the same time), please contact Mr. Haruthunian in the Main Office. Students identified with testing conflicts will be scheduled to take their exams in our Testing Conflict Room (#150). Each student who has a conflict will be given a 20-minute break in between exams. Please provide food/snacks for your son or daughter for their exam break. Students with conflicts will not be permitted to leave the school building to buy food/snacks, for test security purposes.

Also included is information (routes and our time schedule) for busses and transportation during the exam period. Your cooperation in assuring compliance with these procedures during the Testing Weeks is anticipated and appreciated.

Yours truly,

James Murray, Principal

Eric Haruthunian, Assistant Principal

January 2019 Testing Schedule

Time	Tuesday, 1/22/19	Wednesday, 1/23/19	Thursday, 1/24/19	Friday, 1/25/19
Morning Session Regents Exams 7:45AM – 11:00AM	English Language Arts (walk-in test takers) English Language Arts (AP English Language)	US History & Government Geometry	Transition Exam in Global History & Geography Physics	Earth Science Chemistry
Morning Session Midterm Exams 7:45AM – 9:30AM	English 9H English 9R AP World History Global History 10 Global History 10 SC College Statistics English 11H English 11R English 11 SC	Global History 9H/Pre-AP Global History 9R Global History SC English 10H English 10R AP Capstone Seminar AP Capstone Research Italian 3	Algebra 2 H Algebra 2 R Pre-Calculus Pre-Calculus H AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC	Introduction to Computer Science AP Human Geography AP Statistics AP Psychology AP Computer Science College Ready Math Financial Algebra
Afternoon Session Regents Exams 11:15AM – 2:30PM	Living Environment	Algebra I	Algebra II	
Afternoon Session Midterm Exam 11:15AM – 1:00PM	Algebra 1R Algebra 1 SC Geometry H Geometry R Geometry SC AP Chemistry AP Biology	Spanish 3 Spanish 3H French 3 French 3H US History US History SC AP US History AP Macroeconomics	Earth Science Living Environment H Living Environment R Living Environment SC Chemistry H Chemistry R AP Physics 1 AP Physics C Physics R	Introduction to College Algebra AP Environmental Science Anatomy & Physiology Intro to Statistics AP Computer Science Principles

BUS SERVICE:

- Normal bus runs will occur for the AM & PM arrivals & departures.
- Students arriving at JFKHS at 7:15am: be at their regular bus stop at your regular pick-up time.
- Students arriving at JFKHS at 11:00am: be at your regular bus stop at 10:40am.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 9:45am: use the regular (9th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 11:10am: use the regular (9th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 12:45pm: use the regular (9th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 1:55pm: use the regular (9th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 2:35pm: use the regular (10th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.
- Students departing from JFKHS at 3:35pm: use the regular (11th Period) PM departure bus numbers and routes.

Students who complete exams early may have to wait for the scheduled departure times listed below to receive transportation home. Parents may choose to pick up their students instead of using busses. In the event that you encounter a problem with your child's transportation, please contact the Transportation Department at 516-434-3074 or Mr. Haruthunian at 516-434-3125.

	<u>Tuesday, 1/22/19</u>	<u>Wednesday, 1/23/19</u>	<u>Thursday, 1/24/19</u>	<u>Friday, 1/25/19</u>
ARRIVALS	7:15am	7:15am	7:15am	7:15am
	11:00am	11:00am	11:00am	11:00am
DEPARTURES	9:45am	9:45am	9:45am	9:45am
	11:10am	11:10am	11:10am	11:10am
	12:45pm	12:45pm	12:45pm	12:45pm
	1:55pm	1:55pm	1:55pm	1:55pm
	2:35pm	2:35pm	2:35pm	2:35pm
	3:35pm	3:35pm	3:35pm	3:35pm

- ▶ BOCES students will be provided with transportation, so they can attend BOCES when they are not scheduled for examinations. Busses will make usual runs, both going to and returning from BOCES schools.
- ▶ **Students who receive special transportation to and from school will receive communication from their bus driver and/or the Transportation Office with student specific details.**