

February 15, 2012

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As you likely know, the NJ Department of Education has mandated a required standardized testing program for our students. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 6nd, 7rd and 8th, HMHS will participate in the mandatory High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA) program. **All juniors** are required to participate in this program.

Directions for students being tested:

- All juniors and others testing must arrive @7:57 and report directly to their testing room. Testing will start immediately.
- Students must bring #2 pencils and a calculator on Tuesday, March 6th.
- **NO cell phones or other unauthorized electronic devices are allowed in the testing room at any time, on any day.**

Directions for non-testing students:

- All 9th, 10th and 12th grades report at their regular scheduled time and will follow the same periods listed below.

We will be using the humanities hallways for testing. All students not testing will *NOT* be permitted in these hallways during testing. The library will be open; however, the back entrance will be used.

It is our intention to keep as normal a school day of instruction as possible. To achieve this goal and have junior teachers meet with all of their classes at least once during the three-day testing cycle, we will be on the regular bell schedule, but rotate the periods as follows:

Periods used for testing are shaded

March 6, 2012	March 7, 2012	March 8, 2012
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>
1 Period 7:57 – 8:42	1 Period 7:57 – 8:42	1 Period 7:57 – 8:42
2 Period 8:46 – 9:29	7 Period 8:46 – 9:29	2 Period 8:46 – 9:29
3 Period 9:33 – 10:16	3 Period 9:33 – 10:16	7 Period 9:33 – 10:16
4 Period 10:20 – 11:03	4 Period 10:20 – 11:03	4 Period 10:20 – 11:03
A Lunch, B Lunch C Lunch	A Lunch, B Lunch C Lunch	A Lunch, B Lunch C Lunch
5, 5A and 6, 6C	5, 5A and 6, 6C	5, 5A and 6, 6C
7 Period 1:15 – 1:58	2 Period 1:15 – 1:58	3 Period 1:15 – 1:58
8 Period 2:02 – 2:45	8 Period 2:02 – 2:45	8 Period 2:02 – 2:45

In the event that a testing day needs to be postponed due to inclement weather, all remaining sections will be tested as scheduled. The missing section will be tested on Friday. We will post this schedule outside the main office and at various places around school for students to review for all three days.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Wilson
Principal