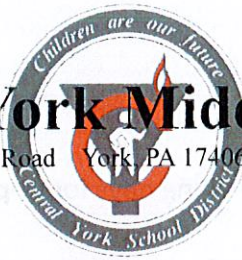


Central York Middle School

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March 31, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child has been working hard all year learning and practicing important language arts, math skills, and science skills that are part of the Central York curriculum and are building blocks for future success. These skills will be assessed on the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) during the statewide testing window from April 19- May 31st. In-Person students at Central York Middle School will be assessed in the mornings on the following days during this testing window:

- April 19-21 ELA Grades 7 & 8**
- April 22 & 26 Math Grades 7 & 8**
- April 27-28 Science Grade 8 Only**

Below is a brief description of the PSSA from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) website:

"The annual Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) is a standards-based, criterion-referenced assessment which provides students, parents, educators and citizens with an understanding of student and school performance related to the attainment of proficiency of the academic standards."

Attached to this letter, you will find a copy of some frequently asked questions regarding the PSSA. If you should have any additional questions during the testing window, please do not hesitate to call the Central York Middle School office.

I would like to wish all of our students the best on these assessments. I know they will do a tremendous job.

Sincerely,

Cory King
Assistant Principal

Kelly Harper, Principal
Cory Ryan King, Assistant Principal
Peter Fernandez, Assistant Principal

2021 PSSA Schedule

PSSA Testing will take place on the following days for **in-person students only**:

- Monday April 19th – ELA Section 1
- Tuesday April 20th – ELA Section 2
- Wednesday April 21st – ELA Section 3
- Thursday April 22nd – Math Section 1
- Monday April 26th – Math Section 2
- Tuesday April 27th – Science Section 1
- Wednesday April 28th – Science Section 2

The following schedule will be utilized **each day** for PSSA Testing for the above dates for **BOTH** in-person learners and remote learners as well:

Time	Period	
7:45 – 10:00	PSSA Testing	Assigned FLEX or Small Group
10:00 – 10:30	FLEX	
10:30 – 11:00	4 th	
11:00 – 11:35	5 th	Lions: Arrive 11:00 Leave 11:30 Cougars: Arrive 11:05 Leave 11:35
11:35 – 12:10	6 th	Ocelots: Arrive 11:35 Leave 12:05 Cheetahs: Arrive 11:40 Leave 12:10 Jaguars: Arrive 11:40 Leave: 12:10
12:10 – 12:45	7 th	Lynx: Arrive 12:10 Leave 12:40 Leopards: Arrive 12:15 Leave 12:45
12:45 – 1:15	8 th	
1:15 – 1:45	1 st	
1:45 – 2:15	2 nd	
2:15 – 2:46	3 rd	

Friday April 23rd, Thursday April 29th, Friday April 30th will serve as PSSA make-up days for traditional students who missed any day of testing.

7th Grade Teams – During the two days of Science Testing – you can use the PSSA Testing time as a team to decide what to do with your students.

Remote students will begin testing on Monday May 3rd – testing daily – until complete, along with any other students who need to complete testing.