Laurie B. Tocci, Ed.D., Principal

Hampton Township School District Wyland Elementary School



March 2023

Dear Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade Parents:

The 2023 Pennsylvania System of School Assessments (PSSA) for students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 will occur in April and May. Information obtained from the assessment is often valuable for refining curriculum, designing professional development and informing the community about student achievement.

Below you will find the Wyland Elementary PSSA Testing Schedule. Testing will begin at approximately 8:45 a.m. each day. Tests are considered untimed but will take approximately 40-80 minutes depending on the grade and test. Please avoid scheduling any doctor appointments, vacations, etc. during these testing dates. If it is absolutely necessary to schedule an appointment, please make it for the afternoon.

Grades 3, 4 and 5: English Language Arts (ELA) Testing Schedule

April 24		April 25	April 26
Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday
	ELA	ELA	ELA

Grade 3, 4, and 5: Math Testing Schedule

May 1	May 2
Monday	Tuesday
Math '	Math

Grade 4: Science Testing Schedule

May 4	May 5	
Thursday	Friday	
Science	Science	

The assessments will challenge all students with tasks requiring inferencing, problem-solving and concept identification. Students will write their own responses to items as well as choose from multiple-choice responses.

Parents can help their children prepare for the assessment by encouraging them to get plenty of sleep each night, eat a good breakfast, and be in school on time each morning. Also, parents can reassure children that the assessment gives them an opportunity to show what they have learned in order to help teachers plan the best possible instruction for them.

An informational flyer is attached to help you better understand and answer questions regarding the assessments.

Sincerely,

Laurie B. Tocci, Ed. D.

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Principal

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

In an era of cell phones, smartphones and other electronic devices which can easily photograph and instantly share photographs, confidential and secure test materials can be easily compromised. Not only is it expensive to replace a compromised test item, the material contained in the PSSA and Keystone Exams is copyrighted property of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Copying or duplicating the material from the assessment, including the taking of a photograph of secure assessment material, is a violation of the federal Copyright Act. Penalties for violations of the Copyright Act may include the cost of replacing the compromised test item(s) or fines of no less than \$750 up to \$30,000 for a single violation (17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.).

In order to ensure reliable test results and to avoid the cost of replacing test items, the Department of Education requires schools to set rules and take certain steps to protect test materials. Electronic devices such as but not limited to cell phones, smartphones, smartwatches, E-readers, Nooks, Kindles, iPods, tablets, camera-ready devices, and any other electronic device which can be used to photograph or duplicate test materials, access the internet and/or communicate with others during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams are not permitted in any testing site. Please speak with your child and let your child know that the possession and/or use of a cell phone or other electronic device during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams will result in consequences.

You will be contacted by the school if your child is discovered using and/or having a cell phone or other unapproved electronic device during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams. Students who ignore this directive will be subject to the school's discipline policy and the Department of Education's requirement that the student's test will not be scored and the student will be required to retake the entire exam. The electronic device will be held by school staff, and the device's stored photographs and other functions will be examined with your permission. You may request to be present when the electronic device is examined. If a photograph of the PSSA or Keystone Exam is discovered or if permission to search other functions of the electronic device is refused, the device will be held by the school staff. The Pennsylvania Department of Education holds the copyright to all material contained within the PSSA and Keystone Exams, the Pennsylvania Department of Education will be contacted and further action may be taken.

If, after testing is complete and test materials have been returned, it is discovered that a student used and/or had a cell phone or other unapproved electronic device during the administration of the test, the school's discipline policy will be followed and the student's test will not be scored.

Frequently Asked

Ouestions

Information for Parents or Guardians

Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA)

English Language Arts Assessment, April 24–28, 2023 Mathematics and Science Assessment, May 1–12, 2023



GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PSSA Which schools participate?

All school districts and charter schools participate in the assessments. Nonpublic and private schools may also participate on a voluntary basis.

Which students take the assessments?

Except for a very few students who meet specific criteria for participation in an alternate assessment, all students are included in the assessments as outlined below:

ELA & Mathematics—Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 Science—Grades 4 and 8

Who decided what the assessments should measure?

Groups of educators from all levels of education in Pennsylvania chose the areas of knowledge and skills upon which the assessments are based. The groups included teachers, supervisors, curriculum directors, and college specialists. They also reviewed, edited, and approved the test items.

Who administers the assessments?

Each school chooses the person(s) who will administer the assessments. In most cases, these are teachers in the students' building.

How are the results reported?

Two copies of the individual student report for all assessments will be sent to all schools and districts that participate for distribution to parents, teachers, school counselors, and/or principals. The state will not receive any report with individual names included.

School-level reports will be used for curricular and planning purposes. School districts and charter schools may publish the results of PSSA testing for each school. The state will also release school-by-school assessment data.

May parents see the assessments?

Yes, under one circumstance. School entities are required to have policies to ensure that parents or guardians have the right to review a state assessment in the school entity during convenient hours for parents or guardians from the time testing materials are received to the end of the make-up schedule in order to determine whether a state assessment conflicts with their religious belief. This is the only reason allowable under regulation.

Confidentiality agreements must be signed, and no copies of the assessments or notes about assessment items will be permitted to leave the school. If after reviewing the test, parents or guardians find the test to be in conflict with their religious belief and wish their student(s) to be excused from the test, the right of the parents or guardians will not be denied upon written request to the applicable school district Superintendent, charter school Chief Executive Officer, or AVTS Director. Parents or guardians should contact their child's school to make arrangements to review the test.

Report Testing Irregularities

Parents/guardians who believe that a testing irregularity may have occurred may email ra-edirregularities@pa.gov or call 844-418-1651 to report the incident.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ASSESSMENT (grades 3 through 8)

How long does the assessment take?

The entire English Language Arts assessment takes approximately three to four hours to complete. Your school district will inform you about the assessment schedule.

What does the assessment include?

Each student completes three sections of questions for the English Language Arts assessment. Some portions will be the same for all students, and some will consist of different groups of questions.

What types of questions are on the assessment?

Students respond to multiple-choice, evidence-based selected-response, and constructed-response questions. In a multiple-choice question, the correct answer(s) is chosen from four options. Evidence-based selected- response questions have two parts, and students select one or more answers for each part. Constructed-response questions may include a shortanswer (grade 3) or text dependent analysis (grades 4 through 8). Short-answer questions require students to compose a brief response to support their answer. For the text dependent analysis question, students analyze a text and use evidence from the reading passage to compose an essay.



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How are written responses to constructedresponse items scored?

The written responses for English Language Arts are scored by evaluators trained in applying an ELA-specific scoring guideline. For short-answer questions, scores are based on content only. Spelling and punctuation are not included as part of the scoring process. Responses to text dependent analysis questions are scored based on both content and writing skills.

What is assessed in English Language Arts?

The English Language Arts assessment addresses six major reporting categories as well as two text types. Students respond to standalone multiple-choice items assessing language. Additionally, students read a number of passages from literature and informational genres and respond to questions about these passages that indicate both comprehension and reading skills and the students' analysis and interpretation of different types of texts.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT (grades 3 through 8)

How long does the assessment take?

The entire mathematics assessment takes approximately two to three hours to complete. Your school district will inform you about the assessment schedule.

What does the assessment include?

Each student completes two sections of questions for the mathematics assessment. Some portions will be the same for all students, and some will consist of different groups of questions.

What types of questions are on the assessment?

Students respond to two types of questions: multiple-choice and open-ended. In a multiple-choice question, the correct answer is chosen from the four presented options, while open-ended questions require students to compose their responses. Open-ended questions generally require students to provide detail in support of their answers (such as showing or describing the steps performed to complete a calculation).

How are written responses to open-ended items scored?

The written responses for mathematics open- ended items are scored by evaluators trained in applying a mathematics-specific scoring guideline. In mathematics, scores are based on content only. Spelling and punctuation are not included as part of the scoring process.

What is assessed in Mathematics?

The mathematics assessment addresses five major reporting categories across four clusters. The reporting categories assessed and the proportion of questions in each reporting category vary by grade level. As a part of the assessment of Cluster A, Numbers and Operations, students in grades 4 through 8 respond to a set of questions without a calculator. Constructed-response items may require the students to show all of their work (e.g., calculations, graphs, drawings) and/or to explain in writing how they solved the problems.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCIENCE ASSESSMENT (grades 4 and 8)

How long does the assessment take?

The entire science assessment takes approximately one to two hours to complete. Your school district will inform you about the assessment schedule.

What does the assessment include?

Students in grades 4 and 8 complete two sections of questions for the science assessment. Some portions will be the same for all students, and some will consist of different groups of questions.

What types of questions are on the assessment?

Students respond to two types of questions: multiple-choice and open-ended. In a multiple-choice question, the correct answer is chosen from the four presented options, while open-ended questions require students to compose their responses. At grade 8, the science assessment also includes science scenarios.

What is a science scenario?

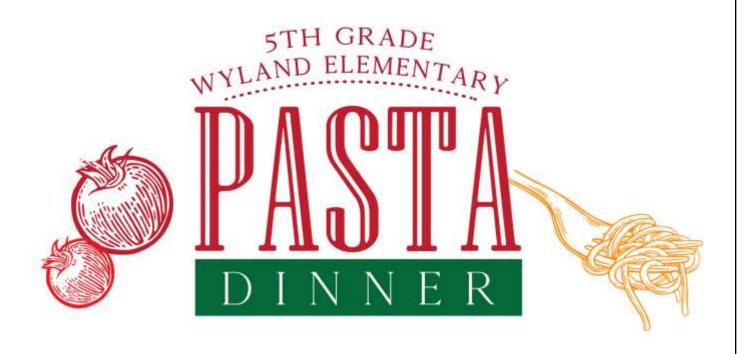
A science scenario contains text, graphics, charts, and/ or tables and uses these elements to describe the results of a class project, an experiment, or other similar research. Students use the information found in a science scenario to answer multiple-choice questions.

How are written responses to open-ended items scored?

The written responses for science open-ended items are scored by evaluators trained in applying a science-specific scoring guideline. In science, scores are based on content only. Spelling and punctuation are not included as part of the scoring process.

What is assessed in science?

The science assessment addresses the four major reporting categories: The Nature of Science, Biological Sciences, Physical Sciences, and Earth and Space Sciences. The proportion of items in each reporting category varies by grade level.



Tuesday, April 18th

4:45 – 7:00pm Wyland Kindergarten Hallway

~CARRYOUT DINNERS~

Please use the QR code to pre-order. Walkins are welcome, but pre-ordering is very appreciated.

Delicious bake sale items will be available to purchase. All proceeds go to the 5th grade class.





COMPUTER PROGRAMMING for Kids



LET'S CØDE!



Do you like to code or are you interested in learning more about it? We will be exploring PYTHON together. No experience in coding is required to participate.

Coding Club is sponsored by Mrs. Herold, with assistance from Hampton High School students.

We hope you will join us!

FIVE SESSIONS: April 12, 14 / May 17, 24, 31

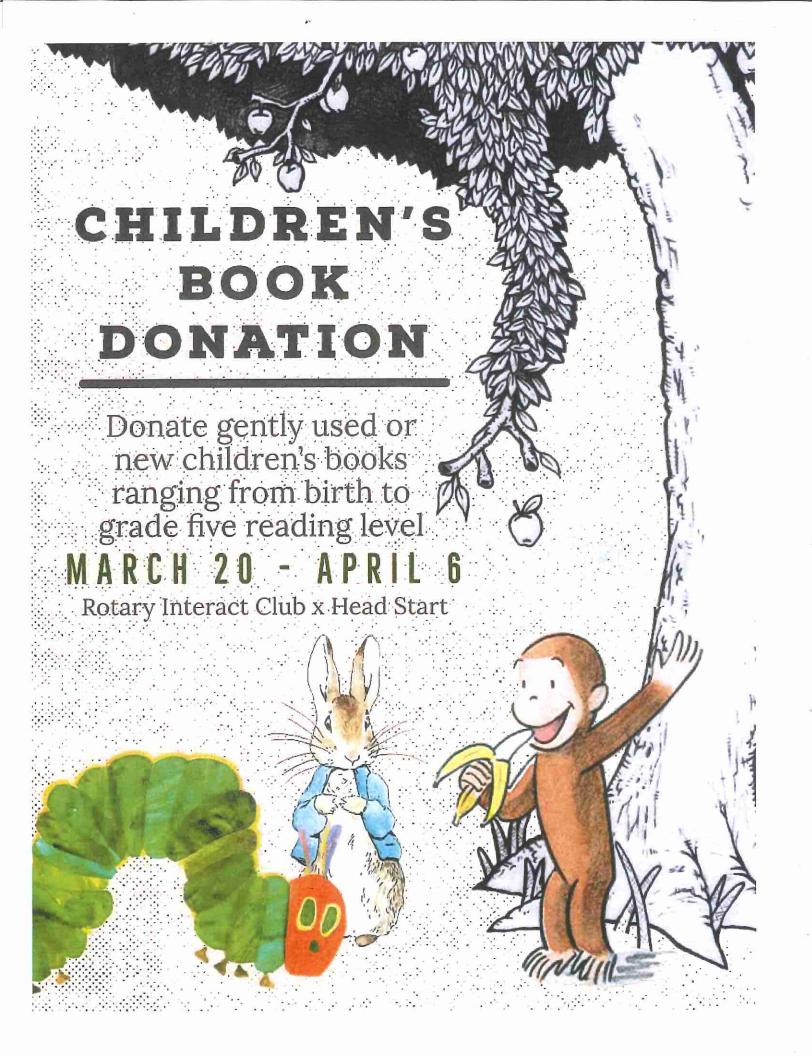
TIME: 3:30-4:30 PM

LOCATION: Wyland Library

COST: \$30

(if cost is prohibitive, please contact me at 412-486-6000 x5005 or herold@ht-sd.org)

I give permission for my child to attend COMPUTER PROGRAMMING FOR KIDS. I will meet my child at the front entrance at 4:30 PM. Enclosed is \$30. Please complete the permission slip and return with \$30 cash or check made payable to MAUREEN HEROLD by March 24.
STUDENT'S NAME
PARENT'S NAME
HOMEROOM TEACHER
PARENT'S EMAIL ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED BETWEEN 3:30-4:30 PM





Program Details

Wyland Elementary, After School

Start date: April 12th (4/12, 19, 26, 5/3, 10)

Wednesdays From 3:45-4:45pm

Student Registration Fee: \$100

MORE SCIENCE. **MORE WOW MOMENTS.**

Outside the Box Labs For Grades 1-5

Join Outside the Box Labs after school at Wyland Elementary for five weeks of incredible fun, excitement and exploration as we examine the world through the lens of science!

Our goal is to inspire a new generation of students to see science for what it is: A way to solve, figure out and discover. Knowledge is power, but only

when you apply it. Students will delve deep into the sciences and will have the opportunity to apply everything they learn through high-energy, low-stress exploration.

Our after-school program is just the beginning - Participants can go home and continue to apply and experiment by utilizing our "Take it Further" video series, participating in our Weekend Workshops, using our take home Science Kits, and enrolling in Summer Camps. Outside the Box Labs provides our participants, teachers and the community with a lifelong resource to promote learning and applying science.

FOLLOW US for uncoming programs and events

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NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Nominations are being accepted for open Executive Board & Key

Communicators for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

<u>Submit your nominations here</u>.

2 YEAR POSITIONS

CO-PRESIDENT
VICE PRESIDENT
RECORDING SECRETARY
TREASURER

KEY COMMUNICATOR

1 YEAR POSITIONS

CO-PRESIDENT
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR



Additional information and nomination submission can be found here by scanning the QR code.

Michael R. Loughead, Ed.D., Superintendent



Rebecca J. Cunningham, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent

January 6, 2023

Dear Hampton Elementary School Families:

Please pass the word along to your friends and family -2023 Kindergarten registration has begun!

Information regarding Kindergarten registration will be published in the local paper and placed on the HTSD Website (www.ht-sd.org). In the meantime, please spread the word to neighbors who may be new in the community or to those without children currently enrolled in the Hampton Elementary Schools. Registering on time is important so that the District can plan appropriately for the number of students who will be attending school in the fall.

Registration for Kindergarten and any first-grade students new to Hampton Schools will take place <u>virtually</u>. To register, please access the HTSD website <u>www.ht-sd.org</u>. Within the District tab, click the "About" Tab. Access the "Moving to Hampton" tab. Once there, families will find instructions for 2023 Kindergarten registrations under "Register My Child." Upload completed packets and documentation to the appropriate elementary school.

All families are encouraged to complete the online registration process by February 3rd.

Children ready to enter Kindergarten should be five years old by August 15, 2023. First graders should be six years old by August 15, 2023. A birth certificate or other acceptable evidence of birth and proof of Hampton residency (closing papers, lease agreement, rent receipt or residency form AND utility bill, cable bill, paid wage tax receipt, driver's license, guardianship form, or court order) are necessary before children can be enrolled. Proof of immunization is necessary as well.

Parents of children who do not meet the above-mentioned age requirements must submit a written request for early admission to the building principal by April 15, 2023. This request should state reasons why early admission to school is appropriate for the child, including information and test data from the school(s) he or she may have attended previously. Admission will be based upon the recommendation of the school in which the student seeks enrollment and the authorization of the Principal and Superintendent.

Thank you for sharing this important information with the Hampton Community. If you have any questions, please reach out to Central Elementary Principal, Dr. Amy Kern, at 412-492-6320; Poff Elementary Acting Principal, Dr. Michael Silbaugh, at 412-492-6335; or Wyland Elementary Principal, Dr. Laurie Tocci, at 412-492-6345.

Sincerely.

Rebecca J. Cunningham, Ed.D.

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Assistant Superintendent

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Where: Wyland Elementary School

2284 Wyland Avenue Allison Park, PA 15101

When: June 26 - 20, 8:30 - 3:00

Cost: \$280.00

Camp Invention is not a school-sponsored program or school-affiliated activity. Camp Invention is exempt from licensing requirements governing recreational camps for children pursuant to Massachusens Department of Public Health regulations. Camp Invention perates an educational summer program and not a recreational camp; therefore, it is not required to be licensed by local Boards of Health/Health Departments in the cities or tooms where these programs are located.

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FALL 2023

NRICHMEN

(Serving Central, Poff, Wyland Elementary Schools)

Central Elementary

4100 Middle Rd. Allison Park, PA 15101



EMPOWERING STUDENTS

The Y makes the most of your child's after school time by offering active learning opportunities designed to engage and expand young minds. Housed in local schools, YMCA After School Care gives your child the opportunity to participate in active play and collaborate on fun projects.

AVAILABILITY

Before School

After School

Mon-Fri 7:00 AM – 8:45 AM Mon-Fri 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Kindergarten Wrap AM

Mon-Fri 8:45 AM - 12:50PM

Kindergarten Wrap PM

			Mon-Fri 11:2	<u> 5 AM - 3:30 PN</u>
REGISTRATION INFO All rates shown are weel			4-5 Days Weekly	
Program Offerings	Facility Member	Community Member	Facility Member	Community Member
Before School Care	\$ 33	\$ 39	\$ 43	\$ 50
After School Care	\$ 68	\$ 80	\$ 87	\$ 103
Kindergarten Wrap	\$ NA	\$ NA	\$ 111	\$ 131
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operate.	Registration Fee - \$30 on or before 7/31 (\$50 from 8/1 and on)			

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WE DECORATE, SO YOU CAN CELEBRATE



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Order any yard sign rental from https://www.steelcitylawnexpressions.com/and enter **Wyland Elementary** in the school box on the order form. Our PTO will receive \$10 from each order placed.





March/April 2023 **Elementary School Lunch Menu**



Hampton Township School District

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17				20	21
	lozzarella Sticks	Beefaroni/Garlic Bread	Yogurt Parfait with Cheese	General Tso's Chicken	Big Daddy's Pizza
Wit	h Sauce	Or Altamata Fatua	Stick and Belly Bears	with Rice	<u>Or</u>
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Red Pepper Strips

Steamed Broccoli

Steamed Broccoli

Lunch Prices \$2.50

Lunch \$0.40 Reduced Lunch TO

\$3.75

ALL ENTREES Include: FRUIT + VEGETABLES + MILK

Adult

*MENU IS SUBJECT **CHANGE BASED ON PRODUCT**

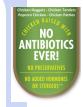
AVAILABILITY

Daily Alternative Entrees

#2 Peanut Butter and Jelly with a Cheese Stick

#3 Talbot Salad with Dinner Roll (Ham & Cheese Cups)

#4 Chicken Tenders with a Dinner Roll



Daily Fruit & Vegetable Choices

Choices May Include:

(Local Choices May Include:

(Local Choices Available in Season)

Apples, Bananas, Grapes, Oranges, Apple
Sauce, Cinnamon Apple Sauce, Mixed Fruit,

Mandarin Oranges, Peaches
Baby Carrots, Broccoli, Cauliflower,
Cucumbers, Celery, Spring Salad

100% Fruit Juice Also Available Daily

rBST Hormone Free Milk

1% White Fat Free Choices May Include: White, Chocolate, Vanilla & Strawberry Lactaid White Milk Available Upon Request

Menu is subject to change.





Smiley Fries

Steamed Peas



To the Families of Hampton Township School District

Free Breakfast

The PA. Department of Education has announced that **free breakfast** will be available for every student attending school beginning October 3, 2022. The breakfast must be consumed at school and is not available for pickup based on the guidelines established by the PA. Department of Education.

Please encourage your student(s) to take advantage of the free breakfast program that will be in effect through the remainder of this school year.

Please note that lunch falls under the current guidelines regarding payment based on your eligibility.

Please feel free to contact the Food Service Department at 412-492-6390 or the school office if you have any questions.



















