We would like to communicate the following High School Guidance Updates for the month of May 2023:

Keystone Testing: All across Pennsylvania students are required to participate in the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment Keystone Exams. In order to adhere to state and federal guidelines, any student enrolled in a Keystone trigger course including Algebra I, Biology and Literature English 10 Course during the 2022-2023 school year are required and mandated as per The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) to complete the Keystone Exam during the Spring 2023 administration. All students must sit for the exam. Please note all students via hybrid or remote will be required to attend in-person the day of their highlighted testing date as per PDE and Federal Law. Letters were sent directly to all test takers indicating their test date:

Save the Date: Spring Testing Window: May 15, 2023 – May 25, 2023 (All-Subject Make-Up Exam will take place May 25, 2023):

 •Biology:
 Monday, May 15, 2023
 Tuesday, May 16, 2023

 •Literature:
 Wednesday, May 17, 2023
 Thursday, May 18, 2023
 Friday, May 19, 2023

 •Algebra I:
 Monday, May 22, 2023
 Tuesday, May 23, 2023
 Wednesday, May 24, 2023

All students will be required to report in-person directly to their first period class on arrival to school. If full cyber, please report to the Guidance area. Check-In and attendance procedures will take place prior to entering. All students will be called to their testing room at the start of testing at approximately 7:45 AM. Please be sure to bring a calculator, snack and number two pencil if available.

The PSAT 8/9: All students who have completed the PSAT 8/9: Attention Students: Scores are now uploaded on the CollegeBoard Portal for the PSAT 8/9. Please go to www.collegeboard.org to access your scores. Attached is a step-by-step guide/PDF to assist in setting up the below account registration:

- 1. Create a CollegeBoard.org account
- 2. Access your PSAT 8/9 Scores
- 3. Link your PSAT 8/9 Scores to KHAN Academy for free SAT Practice and Score Analysis

Score and CollegeBoard Accounts Sign-Up Session: Thursday, May 4, 2023 Room 116: Ms. Benedict will also be holding a CollegeBoard Sign-up session on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 12:55 PM in Room 116 at the High School. Any student that would like to walk through the steps of creating a CollegeBoard account and linking their scores to KHAN Academy are welcome to attend the LGI at that time. An announcement will also be made on that date for all interested students who have completed the PSAT 8/9.

As a reminder, the PSAT 8/9 tests the same skills as the SAT designed specifically for ninth grade students. The PSAT 8/9 also measures academic strengths, reviews readiness for college academics and provides areas needing remediation prior to sitting for the SAT. Thus, students have time to tackle these academic areas long before they take the SAT. Students over 13 can share their scores with KHAN Academy® to create a personalized practice and tutoring experience. It is the best way to prepare for other tests in the SAT Suite of Assessments, and it is free. We encourage your student once accessing the scores to go through the attached PowerPoint to review scores and Link to the KHAN Academy free SAT and Academic practice.

The PSAT 10: All students who have completed the PSAT 10: Attention Students: We encourage all students who sat for the PSAT 10 to register with the CollegeBoard to access scores when released. Please go to www.collegeboard.org to access your scores. Attached is a step-by-step guide/PDF to assist in setting up the below account registration:

- 1. Create a CollegeBoard.org account
- 2. Access your PSAT 10 Scores
- 3. Link your PSAT 10 Scores to KHAN Academy for free SAT Practice and Score Analysis

As a reminder, the PSAT 10 is great practice for the SAT as it tests the same skills and knowledge as the SAT—in a way that makes sense for the tenth grade student level. The PSAT 10 provides a score report students can use to personalize their KHAN Academy® SAT practice. The score reports also list which AP courses students can enroll in at the conclusion of the exam, and areas needed for improvement for the SAT. It is encouraged any student wishing to pursue post-secondary education or AP classes to sit for the exam to learn their skills prior to the enrollment or SAT test. We encourage your student once accessing the scores to go through the attached PowerPoint to review scores and Link to the KHAN Academy free SAT and Academic practice.

Ms. Benedict will also be holding a CollegeBoard session once scores are released to assist students on creating their CollegeBoard accounts and linking their scores to KHAN Academy. The date and time will be communicated once scores are released via CollegeBoard.

CREDIT RECOVERY: JUNE 13, 2023 – JUNE 26, 2023: Any student that has failed a core class for required graduation credits including Math, English, Science or Social Studies are required to make up the course in an approved Credit Recovery program at Ambridge High School. Ambridge High School will be holding Credit Recovery from June 13, 2023 to June 26, 2023 at Ambridge High School. All students are required to attend in person. An attached brochure is available with all information. Brochures are also available in the High School Guidance Office. All students must return the brochure or call the High School Guidance Office to be registered prior to June 13, 2023.

Seniors will be receiving letters with specific credit needs for a receipt of a diploma. If your senior requires credit recovery, please have them pick up a brochure in the Guidance Office. Any questions please call 724-266-2833, ext. 2377.

SAVE THE DATE:

Academic Awards Ceremony: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 7:00 PM: Any student that has received a scholarship and/or would like to be recognized for their accomplishments are encouraged to speak to Guidance to be recognized at the Academic Awards Ceremony. Current Scholarship Recipients, Honor Roll for 3-Consecutive 9-Week Grading Periods and Perfect Attendance will also be recognized. Any student that has received a scholarship, and or the above awards are highly encouraged to attend to be recognized for their accomplishments. The Academic Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Ambridge High School. Further information will be forthcoming.

All School Move-Up Day: Tuesday, May 30, 2023: All students will be receiving their 2023-2024 Schedules and will be following their schedule for the afternoon. This will give students the opportunity to meet teachers and attend their classes for the next academic year.

Senior Walk: May 24, 2023

Seniors: Mandatory Graduation Practice May 25, 2023 and June 1, 2023

Graduation: Friday, June 2, 2023

Thank you, High School Guidance Team