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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Last week the New York State Education Department released information about the Regents exams scheduled for this spring and summer. As of today, we know that **August Regents exams have been canceled** and that the **State has asked the US Department of Education to cancel the June Regents exams**. If the request to cancel the June exams is denied, we will administer only the exams required by the US Department of Education. At the high school level, the required exams are the following four Regents Exams: English Language Arts, Algebra 1, Earth Science, and Living Environment.

The June 2021 Regents schedule can be found here:

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/schedules/2021/regents-exam-schedule-june-2021.pdf>

Additionally, the NY State Education Department (NYSED) has removed the passing of Regents exams as both a graduation requirement and as a barrier to receiving local course credit as long as students meet one of the following criteria:

- The student is currently enrolled in a course of study culminating in a Regents Examination and by the end of the 2021 school year, or the 2021 summer session, will have earned credit in such course of study;
- The student was previously enrolled in the course culminating in the applicable Regents Examination, has achieved course credit, and has not yet passed the associated required Regents Examination but was intending to take the test in June 2021 or August 2021 to achieve a passing score

There are other areas of flexibility relating to Mastery and Honors, Science Laboratory requirements, and the right for parents/guardians to decline graduation exemptions. You can read about those details here:

<http://www.nysed.gov/news/2021/board-regents-acts-emergency-regulation-revisions-2021-diploma-requirements>

We will keep you informed as the situation unfolds at the federal and state levels, and as we make arrangements to follow their guidance. For right now, we strongly encourage all students to continue to work hard and to push through to a strong finish to the school year.

Sincerely,
Teresa Van Dunk, Principal
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