

2025-26 Keystone Opt-Out Information

According to 2025 Pennsylvania Keystone Assessment and PSSA Handbooks, the protocol for parental request for exclusion from the assessment is as follows:

- Prior to each testing window, assessments will be available for review by parents and guardians. The assessment must be reviewed on district property and district personnel must be present at all times. Districts must provide a convenient time for the review.
- Parents and guardians must sign the Parent Confidentiality Agreement. Parents and guardians may not photocopy, write down, or in any other manner record any portion of the assessments, including directions.
- If after reviewing the test parents/guardians find the test to be in conflict with their religious beliefs and wish their student(s) to be excused from the test, the parents/guardians must provide a written request that states the objection to the Superintendent or Chief Executive Officer.
- If the student is excused from the assessment due to parental or guardian request, school personnel must provide an alternative learning environment for the student during the assessment.

**The 2025-26 Keystone testing window begins Monday, May 11, 2026.
Tests can be viewed starting Monday, April 27, 2026.**

Please contact 717-865-2119 ext. 11951 to schedule an appointment.

**More information on the opt-out can be found at
<https://www.pacode.com/secure/data/022/chapter4/s4.51b.html>**