



LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Success for Every Student

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Dear Parents/Guardians of students presently enrolled in Algebra II,

In December, the New York State Department of Education notified districts of the following change:

“Students enrolled in Algebra II (Common Core) will be allowed, at the discretion of the school, to take the Regents Examination in Algebra 2/Trigonometry (2005 Standard) in addition to the Regents Examination in Algebra II (Common Core). If students take the old Regents Examination in addition to the new Regents Examination, the higher of the two scores may be used for transcript purposes, and will be used for institutional accountability purposes for the 2015-16 school year results”.

After careful consideration, the Levittown School District has decided to delay the full implementation of the Algebra II Common Core course. For the remainder of the school year, the students will be taught the Algebra 2/Trigonometry curriculum and they will be prepared to take the Algebra 2/Trigonometry Regents exam. Through the years, our teachers have worked diligently to sharpen their skills in the Algebra 2/Trigonometry course and will use this expertise to help your child develop the mathematical background and problem solving skills necessary to master the material. We firmly feel that our students will be best served learning the Algebra 2/Trigonometry coursework from this point forward in the school year.

As per the New York State Education Department guidelines, students will be required to sit for the Common Core Algebra II Regents exam on Wednesday, June 1, 2016. Students will be prepared for and take the Regents examination in Algebra 2/Trigonometry on Friday, June 17, 2016. The higher of the two grades will be used for transcript purposes, as we have done in previous years.

The Levittown mathematics teachers are committed to providing every student with a high-quality mathematics education, and will support every student in achieving success. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me or to Dr. Ellen Stegman, Director of Mathematics. We look forward to a successful academic experience for your child.

Sincerely,