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Dear High School Parents/Guardians:

We are writing to provide you with information regarding the 2021 New York State Regents Examinations. As is the case with most things throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, please know that this is a fluid situation that can change depending on updated information.

Due to the continued challenges presented this school year, the New York State Education Department has opted to grant testing exemptions for the June and August Regents exams. A testing exemption means that a student does not have to pass or take a Regents Exam to meet the corresponding diploma requirement. An exemption is the equivalent of passing a Regents exam for graduation purposes.

All students in grades 9-12 taking courses that end in a Regents Exam have been **granted an exemption** for their 2021 Regents Exams **if the student has met the standards assessed by the course** (passed the course with a grade of 65% or higher). Additionally, students who have passed PRIOR courses ending in a Regents exam but did not pass the Regents exam will also receive the exemption(s).

In the event that a student chooses to take a Regents Exam in June, they will have the option of including the exam grade or an 'E' for exemption on their transcript. If a student does not take the Regents Exam, there will be an 'E' for exemption placed on their transcript. \*\*\*Exemptions will not negatively impact transcripts or averages.\*\*\*

**If you do not wish to decline this exemption, no further action is required. Your child will not take any Regents examinations.** An exemption is the equivalent of passing a Regents exam for graduation purposes.

Parents/guardians have the option to decline the exemption by notifying the school by May 24, 2021.

Please notify the school if you are declining the exemption for applicable Regents examinations for your child. This means your child will sit for the Regents exam(s).

If you decline the exemption, the Regents exam schedule is as follows:

Thursday, June 17	English Language Arts
Tuesday, June 22	Living Environment
Wednesday, June 23	Algebra I
Thursday, June 24	Earth Science

For all matters related to the information stated in this letter, including if you wish to decline the Regents exemption, please contact the Guidance Counselor, Michelle Letizia, by calling (631) 929-4300 x104 or email [mfuentes@littleflowerufsd.org](mailto:mfuentes@littleflowerufsd.org).

Additional information on Regents exemptions may be found on the NYSED Frequently Asked Questions document: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/hsgen/2021/faq-june-august-2021-assessments.pdf>