



## **BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**Dr. Tonja M. Williams**  
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Dear Parents and Caregivers of High School Students,

Please know that the Regents Examination in United States History and Government (Framework) that was scheduled to be administered on Wednesday June 1, 2022, has been cancelled. All high school students (grades 9-12) will be required to attend school on Wednesday June 1, 2022.

The State Education Department has determined that there is content on this assessment that has the potential to compound student trauma caused by the recent violence in our city.

At the June 2022 Board of Regents meeting, the Department will ask the Board to approve a graduation exemption for students who were scheduled to take the Regents Exam in United States History and Government (Framework) on June 1, 2022. Due to the technical requirements associated with administering a new assessment, the regulatory change that the Board of Regents will consider will include exemptions for students planning to take this exam in June 2022, August 2022, and January 2023.

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to the administrative team at your student's school.

Best regards,

Dr. Tonja M. Williams,  
Interim Superintendent of Schools