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OHS Seniors and Parents,

On Tuesday, October, 6th OHS will be providing a free ACT to all seniors in place of the missed ACT from last spring. The exam will be administered in the south gym starting at 7:45am. All seniors including remote, virtual and OLC students will test at OHS at the same time. Testing will take place from approximately 7:45am - 12pm. See the attached sheet for important testing day information and rules.

Prior to testing all seniors will need to complete their ACT bubble sheet before 10/6 to be able to test.

OHS In Person Students: You will fill out your ACT bubble sheet on Friday, October 2nd in your Advisory class. Please make sure you attend on Friday to complete this task.

Remote Students: You will also need to attend school on Friday, October 2nd to fill out your bubble sheet for the exam. See additional information below regarding times and where to go.

OLC/Virtual Students: You will be contacted in the coming days with information regarding when you will fill out your bubble sheets for the exam. These sheets must be filled out before taking the exam on 10/6.

The ACT is a curriculum-based test—accepted by all colleges and universities—that provides significant benefits to our students and our school.

For students, the ACT provides:

- help with getting into college (80% of US colleges consider test scores important in admissions decisions)
- information on majors and careers in which they may not excel
- access to scholarship and financial aid opportunities

For our school, it provides:

- data to help establish student performance baselines
- information on students' individual college and career readiness levels, majors and career interests, and intended college choices
- data to make informed curriculum decisions

Health and safety protocols will be enforced. Students can enter into the building from any of our standard entrances where they will have their temperature checked prior to testing. All students will be required to wear a mask. If students do not have a mask, they will be provided one upon arrival. Students will wear their masks for the entirety of the assessment.

Due to the nature of this exam, no additional testing options will be available. If a student or family would like to opt out of taking the ACT, please contact Ashley Buxton at 785-229-8020, ext. 2139 or by email at buxtona@usd290.org

IMPORTANT: ACT Testing Rules and Information

- **Photo ID:** Students must provide photo identification at check-in. Approved forms are state issued license, ID, or school ID
- **Cell phones and electronic devices:** All devices must be powered off and stored away at all times. If an examinee handles or accesses a device, or if a device activates, the examinee will be dismissed and his or her test will not be scored.
- **Calculators:** Examinees are responsible for bringing their own calculator. Examinees may use any 4-function, scientific, or graphing calculator. Visit the following website for information on permitted and prohibited calculators: www.act.org/calculator-policy.html
- **Late Arrivals:** Students who arrive late will not be allowed into the exam if it has already started.
- **Watches/Timepieces:** Examinees may have a personal timepiece such as a watch, timer or stopwatch on the desk to help keep track of time. **Smart watches and fitness bands are prohibited and cannot be worn.**

Remote Students

All remote students need to plan to attend school on **Friday, October 2nd** to fill out the bubble sheet needed for the ACT exam. Students should be in the building by the times below. These students should plan to enter the building in the CTE area as this is where seniors will be housed for the day as they fill out their bubble sheets.

AM Students: 7:45-10:07

PM Students: 11:27-1:50

If your remote student is unable to attend on Friday, please reach out Ashley Buxton at 785-229-8020, ext 2139 or buxtona@usd290.org

