Dear Parent/Guardian,

On October 1, 2024, the ACT® test will be administered to 12th grade students during the regular school day at no cost to you. No registration is required by you or your student. The ACT test scores will provide you with information about your student’s progress towards college readiness and is widely used by colleges in making decisions about admission. The ACT results may be used at the high school level to identify students who need assistance with certain subject areas or academic skills, to evaluate effectiveness of instruction, and to make adjustments to curriculum to improve instruction. In addition, colleges use ACT scores for admissions decisions, course placement, academic advising, and loans and scholarships. Technical colleges use ACT scores as a standard for entrance into various programs. This test also provides Knox County Schools with information on college and career readiness of our students. Students participating in the statewide ACT administration can select for free up to four colleges (or other reporting agencies) to receive their ACT scores. Knox County Schools requires each graduate to take the exam. It is important that your senior attends and take the exam on October 1. Statistically students who take the ACT more than one time score 2.9 points higher on average than their peers who only test once.

The ACT test will be administered to all 12th grade students on Tuesday, October 1, 2024. This day is a regular school attendance day for 11th, 10thgrade students. The 9th grade will be on a field trip. All 12th grade students will report to assign rooms for testing. **Students will need proof of identification, an approved calculator, two #2 pencils, and charged KCS Chrome book. Test must be completed on a KCS device.**  After the test is completed, 12th grade students will be dismissed if the student has a signed dismissal form from the parent. **This form must be filled out and returned to Mrs. Polston by September 27, 2024.** Forms are available in Mrs. Polston’s room or here. **No email dismissals or phone dismissals will be accepted.**

Please make sure your student is well-rested and arrives promptly at 8:00 am at Halls High School on the testing day to ensure a successful testing experience. For more information about the ACT, check the school website or call Mrs. Polston for more details. To help your child prepare for the ACT, practice tests can be found at <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/test-preparation.html>

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 865-922-7757 ext. 73128.

Good Luck to the seniors on test day.