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Nora Gutierrez

October 12, 2021

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Tolleson Union High School District would like to inform all stakeholders in the La Joya Community about the PSAT, ACT, and pre-ACT, assessments. We are excited to announce that the district will provide funding for both the Pre-ACT and the ACT.

Juniors and sophomores that have already signed up will be taking the PSAT, a preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test that measures what students learn in school, determines if students are on track for college success, and opens doors for opportunities to prepare and pay for college. The PSAT assessment will be administered on Wednesday, October 13, 2021.

The Pre-ACT empowers all sophomores with a unique ACT test practice experience. Scores provide valuable insights into students' predicted performance on the ACT and help inform important high school course decisions. Pre-ACT reporting includes both academic and career indicators, which are designed to identify strengths and areas for improvement, providing a complete view of students' college and career readiness. All 10<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the Pre-ACT assessment.

The ACT will be taken by all juniors. Additionally, the ACT is being offered as an optional assessment for seniors that have signed up. The ACT is a nationally recognized and timed assessment. Students will receive a score that provides them with feedback on their core academic skills, critical thinking and problem-solving skills, behavior skills related to success in education and the workforce, and career navigation skills.

- The pre-ACT and ACT assessments will be administered on Tuesday October 19, 2021.
- Students will have a modified schedule on Tuesday October 19, 2021.
- Students that are testing can still ride the bus at their normal pick-up time and location.
- See attached schedule for times including bus pick up information for non-testers.

<b>Tuesday, October 19, 2021</b>		
<b>ACT and pre-ACT test times</b>		
<b>Students that are TESTING arrive on site at regular time</b>		
<b>TEST SESSION</b>	7:25-11:40	4 hours and 15 minutes
<b>Lunch: 11:40-12:10</b>		
<b>Period 4</b>	12:15-12:47	32
<b>Period 5</b>	12:52-1:24	32
<b>Period 6</b>	1:29-2:00	31
<b>Bus Pick Up for Non-Testers: 4.15 hours after normal school day time</b>		

Students will not be allowed into the testing room after testing begins. Please make sure your students arrive on time to school. We encourage students to get a good night’s sleep and eat a healthy breakfast. Breakfast and lunch will be available for all students. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Respectfully,



Mr. John Brown

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