

Hello, this Parentlink communication about the upcoming ACT assessment is from Ray Ortiz, the Assistant Principal who oversees testing at Green Valley High School.

The state-mandated ACT assessment is a requirement to receive a high school diploma in the state of Nevada. The ACT is offered free of charge to all Grade 11 students and non-tested Grade 12 students. It is strongly recommended your child take advantage of this free offer in the fear future budget cuts end this privilege. The fee to register for the ACT if you choose to not take it at a CCSD school, including the writing section, is \$70.

This year, the ACT will be given at all CCSD high schools on Tuesday, February 23, 2021. Since the ACT is not approved for remote administration, students must come to their enrolled school site to take the assessment in person. All persons on campus will be required to wear masks. Any student refusing to wear a mask will not be admitted onto campus and will not be able to take the ACT assessment. Masks will be available if the student arrives without one. Hand sanitizer will be located in each testing room with no more than 16 students in each room. Restrooms will be available on campus and we will adhere to social distancing guidelines.

If you are not willing to send your student to the Green Valley High School building for ACT testing on Tuesday, February 23rd due to health concerns, please fill out the following Google Form. Any student submitted on the form will postpone the ACT until their senior year and will not be scheduled to take the assessment and we will plan around them. Your decision is final and will not be undone as room assignments and the preparation of materials will be determined around who will be attending. Fill out the form only if your student will not attend school on Tuesday, February 23rd for the ACT assessment.

Delay my child's ACT until spring 2022:

<https://forms.gle/9ptcGLGJkvjCRgFa6>

All students will be in their testing room by 8:00 am to prepare their answer documents and set up their chromebooks. Personal chromebooks and chromebooks checked out to students by our school should be kept at home. Each testing room will have a set of sanitized chromebooks for students to use during the ACT.

School bus transportation is only available for students who live beyond the two-mile radius-beyond walking distance of Green Valley High School. Registered bus riders in Grades 11 and 12 scheduled to take the ACT on February 23, 2021, will have available bus stops within a one mile radius of their home to bring them to school on this date. Any student attending GVHS on a zone variance is responsible for their own transportation to school. Students attending a magnet program will receive transportation services to and from their assigned magnet hub stop location.

Schools will receive bus routes by February 11, 2021, which will be shared with our Gator families prior to the test date so you can determine where students will be picked up and dropped off after testing. All students riding the bus will be transported to each school by 8:00 a.m. to begin testing at 9:00 a.m. All busses will be onsite by 1:00 p.m. to transport students riding the bus home after testing. Busses will return at 2:30 p.m. to transport students who have extended time for testing.

Students served in **self-contained special education** classrooms have the following options:

- Option 1: Families are responsible for transportation to and from school.
- Option 2: CCSD Transportation Department can provide transportation for students who require curb-to-curb service. The school test coordinator must submit the Transportation Request by February 16, 2021, to arrange for this service. Send an email to Ray Ortiz at ortizr1@nv.ccsd.net if your child is in a self-contained special education classroom and they need bus transportation to take the ACT assessment on Tuesday, February 23rd.

Please note, only your child will be able to travel to the school on the CCSD bus and you must ensure your child is healthy. All bus riders are required to wear a mask.

Any student with a valid driver's license may drive their vehicle to school and park in the student parking lot. We ask that students not crowd in vehicles to maintain social distancing while on the way to and from school. Remember to obey all school zone speed limits and be careful as this may be your first drive to and from campus.

Please answer these wellness [questions](#) 30 minutes prior to sending your child to the school: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1M-RkUyvm9wYXHIHINndgfvzeJBq2CC7_Xa1UogMbvSg/edit

If you answer yes to any of the questions in the link above, your child will not be granted permission to the school site so please do not send them to campus for the ACT on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021. There is no need to print the document or bring it to the school. Our testing room seating charts will be used for contact tracing purposes.

It is required parents and guardians view the Parent and Guardian Guidance: Checking Your Student Before Leaving Home document by clicking on the link below: https://drive.google.com/file/d/15q7t7y4zU-gAO_rg1KylJRwRSgIz57O4/view

The ACT assessment will take approximately 5 hours to complete, after which your child will be ready to return home. Students need to be dropped off before 8:00 am and will be finished around 1:30 pm for pickup. Arrange a pick up location if you are driving on campus to pick up your student and please be patient as this will be the first time you may have picked them up from a school since March 2020.

Students may bring a light snack and drink in a sealed container for the break in between tests. Our cafeteria will provide a free take home lunch for any student who may wish to grab one as they exit the front of the school building. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We are looking forward to meeting your child and welcoming them to campus!

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The Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) adopted a policy guaranteeing students whose results on the ACT meet specified college-ready benchmarks (e.g., **18** in English, **22** in mathematics) will be placed directly into credit-bearing courses instead of remedial courses in Nevada post-secondary institutions.

Test	Level I	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
ELA	2-11	12-16	17-23	24-36
Mathematics	1-14	15-19	20-25	26-36
	Non-Proficient		Proficient	

What are the ACT College Readiness Benchmarks?

The ACT College Readiness Benchmarks are the minimum scores required on each subject test of the ACT for students to have a high probability of success (50 percent chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75 percent chance of obtaining a C or higher) in credit-bearing, entry-level college courses in that subject area.

Subject	ACT Score	1st Year College Course
English	18	English Composition
Mathematics	22	College Algebra
Reading	22	Social Sciences
Science	23	Biology
ELA	20	English Composition and Social Sciences
STEM	26	Calculus, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Engineering