

# ACT &/or WorkKeys Opt-Out Form

- On Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, all juniors will be taking the ACT.
- On Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, all juniors will be taking the WorkKeys.

Both of these assessments will be held at our school. These are free opportunities for all 11<sup>th</sup> graders.

## Benefits to taking the ACT:

- College Admissions and College Course Placement
  - ACT test is accepted by all US colleges and universities, as the entrance exam.
  - Is the nation's most-taken college entrance exam.
- Students can see your strengths & weaknesses in the subject areas tested to help direct your future education.
- There are scholarships that require the ACT to be taken, in order to apply.
- Students can make yourself visible to colleges and scholarship agencies across the country by taking the ACT.
- Career Planning
  - Career and Navigation. Provides an Indicator of progress toward the National Career Readiness Certificate that estimates students' progress toward the ACT<sup>®</sup> National Career Readiness Certificate<sup>®</sup> (NCRC<sup>®</sup>)<sup>1</sup>. Also, the ACT provides career planning resources.

## Benefits to taking the WorkKeys:

- Measures the workplace skills that can affect your job performance
  - Applied Mathematics
    - Measures critical thinking, mathematical reasoning, and problem-solving techniques for situations that occur in the workplace.
  - Graphic Literacy
    - Measures skills that individuals use when they read and comprehend graphical materials to solve work-related problems. (charts, graphs, diagrams, etc)
  - Workplace Documents
    - Measures skills that individuals use when they read workplace documents and use that information to make job-related decisions and solve problems. (includes: messages, e-mails, letters, directions, signs, bulletins, policies, regulations, etc)

**Opt-Out Instructions:** If you would like to opt your student(s) out of the ACT and/or WorkKeys, please indicate below, complete this form, and submit it to the counseling office no later than noon Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>.

       I understand that the ACT is free however, I request that my student(s) be excused from taking the ACT.

       I understand that the WorkKeys is free however, I request that my student(s) be excused from taking the WorkKeys.

Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_