

Subject: Oct. 20 PreACT for students in grade 10 and practice ACT for students in grade 11

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Dear SoWashCo Families of Students in grade 10 and 11,

**On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2021**, the district will offer the PreACT to all grade 10 students and a practice ACT to all grade 11 students at their school of enrollment during regular school hours. There is no cost to families. The purpose of these exams is to help students prepare for the ACT that is held each spring for students in grade 11. PreACT offers grade 10 students an early experience with the ACT, provides a predicted ACT test score and can help students plan ahead to select courses needed. Students may choose to have their information shared with colleges and scholarship agencies when they take the PreACT, providing greater opportunities for recruitment and scholarship awards.

The grade 10 PreACT is a paper-pencil exam. The grade 11 practice ACT will be administered online at school.

### Attendance

It is very important for 10th and 11th grade students to be in attendance on Wednesday, Oct. 20, for the districtwide PreACT and practice ACT. It is important to note:

- There will **not** be a makeup opportunity.
- Students who attend Park, East Ridge and Woodbury High Schools should report directly to their testing location by 8:30 a.m.
- South Washington Alternative High School students should report to their testing location by 8:45 a.m.
- Students arriving at their testing location after 8:50 a.m. will not be admitted to the test.

### Materials

- Smartphones or smart watches are not permitted in the testing room.
- Grade 10 students should bring two sharpened pencils.
- Grade 11 students should have their Chromebook fully charged.
- Hand-held calculators are permitted for the math test.

### Schedule, meals and transportation

- School start times will remain the same. Buses will run regular routes in the morning.
- Students will test until approximately 12:30 p.m. with one 10-minute break, per ACT guidelines.
- Lunches will be available after testing is complete.
- Students will be dismissed and have the option to leave school at the conclusion of testing; students who choose to remain in the building will be directed to a supervised area. Bus transportation via regular routes will be available at the regular high school dismissal time of 3 p.m.

### Test results

- Students are encouraged to create a free ACT student web account at [my.act.org](https://my.act.org). If students have questions about creating an account, they may contact [ACT](#). Use **your personal email address, not your district apps email account so you will have access upon graduation or transfer to another district.**
- ACT provides a free online learning tool and test practice program. You will be asked to create a [MyACT](#) account to access the free online ACT practice test.
- [Access ACT Practice Test User Guide \(PDF\)](#)

Who to contact with questions:

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*Subject: No School October 20 for Grades 9 and 12 for Pre-ACT and Practice ACT Testing Day*

Dear SoWashCo Families,

The PreACT test will be given to all grade 10 students and a practice ACT will be given to all grade 11 students in South Washington County Schools on Wednesday, Oct. 20. **As a result of ACT testing guidelines, students in grades 9 and 12 will not report to school on Wednesday, Oct. 20.** Students in grades 9 and 12 are expected to log into Schoology from home for their classes that day. Academic expectations, assignments and due dates will be shared with students by each of their teachers before Oct. 20.

If you have any questions, please ask your teachers, case manager, or counselor.

Sincerely,

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