



September 19, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian of a Lourdes Tenth Grade Student,

On Wednesday, October 10, your son/daughter will be taking the PreACT test. This is a practice ACT test that will allow all tenth graders to experience the ACT, see their results and learn how to better prepare for the ACT test their junior year. Please help to ensure that your son/daughter is at school promptly by 7:45 on this day.

Why Take the PreACT?

-Test questions like those on the ACT

- PreACT gives you valuable practice, including questions and scores similar to those on the ACT test.

-Ideas for improvement

- PreACT includes multiple-choice questions in English, reading, math and science. Your scores will reveal your current knowledge and skill in each area. Since you get to keep your PreACT test booklet, you can go back through the questions and compare your answers with the correct ones after you get your results. This can help you focus on critical areas for improvement.

-Career suggestions based on your goals and interests

- PreACT reports include information about career possibilities, based on your answers to the ACT Interest Inventory, which you can use to start thinking about your future. PreACT reports also provide career suggestions based on your interests.

What should I bring on test day?

- Three sharpened soft-lead (No. 2) pencils with good erasers (no mechanical pencils or pens)
- No cell phones
- A calculator for the math test (not required)
- Visit www.act.org/calculator-policy.html to review the ACT calculator policy

Test #1 English 30 minutes

Test #2 Math 40 minutes

Test #3 Reading 30 minutes

Test #4 Science 30 minutes

Total for tests, breaks and administrative breaks= 150 minutes

In order to ensure more accurate results, please make sure your son/daughter gets enough sleep the night before the test and has a good breakfast the morning of the test.

Learn how the PreACT is a valuable tool to help students best prepare for the ACT, discover new opportunities and start planning for their future. View the "PreACT Information Sheet" at http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/PreACT_info.pdf.

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