



**Quince Orchard High School**  
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January 23, 2018

Dear Class of 2019 Parent/Guardian:

In July 2017 a letter was mailed home detailing the requirements of the College and Career Readiness and College Completion Act of 2013. The CCRCCA mandates that all students must take an approved college readiness assessment by the end of Grade 11, beginning in 2015-2016. All current students who are juniors must take either the SAT, ACT, or ACCUPLACER college entrance examination by the end of this year.

Students who did not register and take either the SAT or ACT by **February 16, 2018** may be required to participate in the ACCUPLACER beginning in March, 2018. Students who will be required to participate in ACCUPLACER testing will be determined by their October 2017 PSAT scores. Any student who scored less than 520 on either the Evidence of Reading and Writing or Math (or did not take the PSAT at all) will be required to take the ACCUPLACER in March, 2018. Any student who scored greater than 520 on both sections of the PSAT are encouraged to register for and take the in-school SAT on March 21, 2018 or the ACT on April 14, 2018 offsite. Any student who scored greater than 520 on both sections of the PSAT who does not register for and take the SAT in March or the ACT in April will be required to take the ACCUPLACER in April, 2018.

New to QOHS and MCPS this year will be the administration of a **FREE** in-school SAT on March 21, 2018. For those students who wish to take ACT instead, a voucher covering the cost of the test will be issued to those students wishing to register for the April 14<sup>th</sup> or June 9<sup>th</sup> ACT. The process to register for the **FREE** in-school SAT on March 21<sup>st</sup> or receive a **FREE** voucher for the ACT on April 14<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup> will be shared with the community shortly. Students who elect to register for the **FREE** in-school SAT or **FREE** ACT voucher will not be required to take the ACCUPLACER. However, students with scores less than 520 in Evidence of Reading and Writing or Math on the October 2017 PSAT are still highly encouraged to take the ACCUPLACER when it will be offered in March 2018.

**Remaining 2017-2018 Registration Deadlines and Test Dates for SAT and ACT:**

College Readiness Assessment	Registration Deadline	Test Date	Location
SAT	February 9, 2018	March 10, 2018	Offsite
	<b>February 16, 2018*</b>	<b>March 21, 2018*</b>	<b>QOHS</b>
	April 6, 2018	May 5, 2018	Offsite
	May 3, 2018	June 2, 2018	Offsite
ACT	<b>March 9, 2018**</b>	<b>April 14, 2018**</b>	<b>Offsite (FREE Voucher)</b>
	<b>May 4, 2018**</b>	<b>June 9, 2018**</b>	<b>Offsite (FREE Voucher)</b>

\* This date is only offered for the **FREE** in-school SAT test administration and is not available for offsite testing. Student registration process for this test administration **ONLY** will be shared shortly.

\*\* **FREE** test vouchers will be available for students electing to take the ACT on these dates only. Students who wish to register for one of these ACT test dates using a **FREE** voucher will receive information regarding this process shortly.

In addition to taking at least one of these three assessments, the CCRCCA requires students to meet a minimum score to demonstrate college readiness. Please refer to the chart below for minimum score requirements:

College Readiness Assessment	Minimum Score Requirements
SAT	480 on Evidence Based Reading and Writing 530 on Math
ACT	21 on English 21 on Math
ACCUPLACER	79 on Reading Comprehension 90 on Sentence Skills 62 on Algebra 45 on College Level Math

Any student in the Class of 2019 who either does not take one of these three assessments or does not meet the minimum score requirement, will be required to complete remedial coursework and/or additional testing in the 2018-2019 school year.

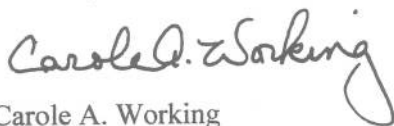
ACCUPLACER testing will be tentatively administered to the Class of 2019 at Quince Orchard High School on the following dates:

Wednesday, March 7, 2018  
Wednesday, March 14, 2018  
Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Additional ACCUPLACER testing for those students still not meeting the CCRCCA requirements will be administered as necessary through June, 2018.

Current juniors who have not taken either the SAT or ACT will be contacted with a specific ACCUPLACER reporting date, time, and location. Any student who is identified to take the ACCUPLACER but may have already taken the SAT or ACT will be required to submit documentation and a score report for verification purposes. Keep in mind that SAT and/or ACT scores may not be reported to Quince Orchard High School at the same time that a home report is sent. It is imperative that all current juniors meet this mandate and fulfill their college readiness requirement. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact my administrative team for support.

Sincerely,



Carole A. Working  
Principal



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February 8, 2018

Dear Class of 2019 Parent/Guardian:

In January 2018 a letter was mailed home updating you on the requirements of the College and Career Readiness and College Completion Act of 2013. The letter also provided updates on the initiatives that Montgomery County Public Schools and Quince Orchard High School are presently undertaking to assist students in meeting these requirements.

The letter informed parents/guardians that Quince Orchard High School, in conjunction with Montgomery County Public Schools, will be offering one FREE college readiness assessment to all students who are currently juniors. Students will have a choice to either take a FREE in-school SAT at Quince Orchard High School on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 OR receive a FREE voucher to take the ACT on Saturday, April 14, 2018 or Saturday, June 9, 2018. Students are highly encouraged to take advantage of ONE of these two options. Students may not take both the in-school SAT and use an ACT voucher. These are the only free options available to students. Students may not retroactively apply the ACT voucher to a test already taken or use the ACT voucher for a date other than those previously mentioned. Likewise, the FREE in-house SAT will only be offered once. Please keep in mind that the FREE in-school SAT and the FREE ACT voucher are the non-essay versions. There is no free option to take the in-school SAT or ACT offsite with the essay. There is no option to receive a voucher to take a free SAT offsite. These rules are stipulated by an agreement between Montgomery County Public Schools, College Board (SAT), and ACT.

Students wishing to register for either the FREE in-school SAT on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 or register for the April 14, 2018 or June 9, 2018 ACT using a FREE voucher must do so by no later than Friday, February 23, 2018 (registration extended). Students will be able to register in the College and Career Center beginning Monday, February 12, 2018. Please note that students wishing to register for the FREE ACT vouchers will not receive their voucher when they register. Following the registration deadline on Friday, February 23, 2018, all students who have registered for either the in-school SAT or ACT voucher will have their request reviewed. Any student who mistakenly registers for both the SAT and ACT will be forced to choose one, not both. Any student deemed not to be a current junior will not be allowed to utilize these free options. Students who have registered for the FREE ACT vouchers will be able to retrieve their voucher by Thursday, March 1, 2018 (The national registration deadline for the April 14, 2018 ACT is March 9, 2018). Each voucher includes detailed instructions from ACT on how to register for either the April or June test date and apply the voucher. Further details on how and when to retrieve the FREE ACT voucher for those who have registered by the deadline will be provided shortly.

Please keep in mind that we have a limited supply of seats available for the FREE in-school SAT on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 and FREE ACT vouchers for either the April or June 2018 national test administrations. Registration for either option will be on a first come first serve basis. Once all available seats for the FREE in-school SAT are used up, there will be no exceptions that will allow us to add additional seats. Likewise, once all of our FREE ACT vouchers have been used up, there will be no additional vouchers available for use.

Any current junior who has not registered for or taken an SAT or ACT by February 23, 2018 will be required to participate in ACCUPLACER testing beginning in March 2018. Current juniors who have not taken either the SAT or ACT will be contacted with a specific ACCUPLACER reporting date, time, and location. Any student who is identified to take the ACCUPLACER but may have already taken the SAT or ACT will be required to submit documentation and/or a score report for verification purposes to be excused from ACCUPLACER testing. Keep in mind that SAT and/or ACT scores may not be reported to Quince Orchard High School at the same time that a home report is sent. It is imperative that all current juniors meet this mandate and fulfill their college readiness requirement. We urge you to take advantage of these FREE testing options that have been made available to our students. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my administrative team for support.

Sincerely,



Carole A. Working  
Principal