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Dear CHS Families,

This year at Cardinal High School, your son or daughter will be participating in various classroom, district, and state-level assessments.

There are several ways to complete the state required testing criteria for graduate. Beginning with the class of 2018, Ohio allows several options to qualify for a high school diploma.

- *Option 1:* Ohio State tests - Earn at least 18 points on seven end-of-course state tests. Each test score earns you up to five graduation points. You must have a minimum of four points in math, four points in english and six points across science and social studies. Your school and district receive grades on the Ohio School Report Cards for all students' scores and participation on state tests. Students enrolled in specified courses are required to test.
- *Option 2:* Industry credential and workforce readiness -Earn a minimum of 12 points by receiving a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or group of credentials in a single career field and earn a 13 on WorkKeys, a work-readiness test.
- *Option 3:* College and career readiness tests - Earn the “remediation-free” scores on either the ACT or SAT as follows:
 - ACT Scores: English ≥ 18
Math & Reading ≥ 22
 - SAT Scores: Writing ≥ 430
Math ≥ 520
Reading ≥ 450

The state will continue to use the AIR assessments as a measurement tool to report academic progress on the State Report Card. At the high school level, students will be tested in English Language Arts 1 & 2 (English 9 & 10), Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology, American History, and American Government. Cardinal High School students have the ability to retake any AIR test if points are needed for graduation giving students an opportunity to earn additional points.

Districts and community schools must administer a state-funded college and career readiness test to juniors in spring 2018 as one of their three diploma options. Cardinal Local School District selected the state-funded ACT college and career readiness test.

Building administrators, school counselors, and teachers will be communicating specific testing information throughout the school year. Testing dates are outlined on the back of this page and are subject to change. If you have any questions at any time, please don't hesitate to seek out their professional knowledge of the testing experience. Please ensure your child's best performance on these tests by encouraging your child to go to bed early the night before and to eat a nutritious breakfast the morning of testing. Best Wishes for a successful testing year!

Yours in Education,

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District Testing Coordinator

Dr. Jennifer Sabol
Building Principal

Mrs. Jill DeRamo
School Counselor

PSAT test: *October 11th* for all students who sign up (Please see Mrs. DeRamo for additional information)

ASVAB test: *November 9th* for all students who sign up (Please see Mrs. DeRamo for additional information)

***Fall AIR Assessment:** Juniors, students earning a D or F in current classes, along with all students testing that day must arrive at the normal time. Students who do NOT fall within the above listed categories are able to arrive 2 hours late if they have transportation. Juniors will be participating in ACT test prep for their Spring test date. Students earning a D or F will work on credit recovery material(s). All makeups will be completed during a normal scheduled day.

December 5 (Makeups until Dec. 15)	ELA I & II	2 Hour Late Arrival *See note above
December 6 (Makeups until Dec. 15)	Geometry	2 Hour Late Arrival *See note above
December 7 (Makeups until Dec. 15)	Biology & American History	2 Hour Late arrival *See note above

Building Final Exams for 1st Semester:

December 20	Finals	Blocks 1, 3, 5
December 21	Finals	Blocks 2, 4, 6

AASCD & OELPA: Feb.- March for all students required to take these assessments will be notified of a specific testing date(s).

ACT Test: *February 28th* for all Juniors. This is an Early Release Day; students receiving a D or F in class are required to attend in order to complete credit recovery material(s). All students who do not fall within the above categories do not attend on this day, however it is encouraged that this day is used to accumulate community service hours or complete college and career exploration.

Spring AIR Assessment: Students earning a D or F in current classes, along with all students testing that day must arrive at the normal time. Students who do NOT fall within the above listed categories are able to arrive 2 hours late if they have transportation. Juniors will be participating in ACT test prep for their Spring test date. Students earning a D or F will work on credit recovery material(s). All makeups will be completed during a normal scheduled day.

April 18 (Makeups until April 27)	ELA I & II	No School for non-tested Students College and Career Exploration
April 24 (Makeups until May 11)	Algebra 1 & Geometry	2 Hour Late Arrival
April 26 (Makeups until May 11)	Am. History & Am. Government	2 Hour Late Arrival
May 1 (Makeups until May 11)	Biology	2 Hour Late arrival

AP Tests: *May 10 (Gov't) / May 11 (US History) / May 15 (Calculus)* for all students who sign up (Please see Mrs. DeRamo for additional information)

Building Final Exams for 2nd Semester:

May 23	Finals	Blocks 1, 3, 5
May 24	Finals	Blocks 2, 4, 6
May 25	Finals	Makeups *See note below

*May 25th - All students who need to makeup a final exam along with any students earning a D or F in current classes are required to attend to complete finals/credit recovery material(s).