

To: Arrowhead Staff and Families  
 From: Sue Casetta, Director of Learning  
 Re: Changes to students' schedules due to state testing

Dear Arrowhead Families,

Wisconsin statute requires schools to assess students in 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. There are three assessments (ACT, ACT WORKKEYS and ACT ASPIRE) administered that will interrupt our regular daily schedule. More information about the assessments themselves are linked here: [ACT High School Tests-Facts at a Glance](#).

**Why the interruption to the regular schedule?**

We want to provide students with a quality testing environment. Our goal is to minimize distractions, interruptions, or other testing irregularities by reducing the amount of students in the buildings. It is important to note that in order to administer 570 or more assessments to each grade level, teaching staff must be available to proctor and classroom space is needed for students to take the tests. Note that the "ASPIRE" test for Grades 9 and 10 is a computer-based assessment which requires the class to be split in half to accommodate students' needs for school-supported computers and software. In the chart below, you can see the dates in which your child will be testing, in school, or off.

This information is also posted on the Arrowhead Website under "Testing". Additional communication will follow closer to testing dates regarding reminders, schedules and specific testing information.

**Arrowhead Spring Testing Information 2018**

Date	Test	Grade level testing	Other grade levels
Feb. 21, 2018 (Registration) Takes about an hour	ACT	ALL JUNIORS	Seniors- Senior meeting Juniors - In registration in assigned testing rooms Sophomores- Classes in Session (Homeroom) Freshmen- Classes in Session (Homeroom)
Feb. 27, 2018 Testing will be done around 12:30	ACT	ALL JUNIORS	Seniors- No School Juniors- Testing Sophomores- Classes in Session Freshmen- Classes in Session
Feb. 28, 2018 Testing will be done around 12 noon	ACT WORKKEYS	ALL JUNIORS	Seniors- No School Juniors- Testing Sophomores- Classes in Session Freshmen- Classes in Session
April 16, 2018 All Day	ASPIRE 10	Sophomores with last names A-L	Seniors - Classes in session Juniors - Classes in session Sophomores - No classes for last names M-Z (OFF) Freshmen - No classes (OFF)

April 17, 2018 All Day	ASPIRE 10	Sophomores with last names M-Z	Seniors - Classes in session Juniors - Classes in session Sophomores - No classes for last names A-L (OFF) Freshmen - No classes (OFF)
April 18, 2018 All Day	ASPIRE 9	Freshmen with last names A- K	Seniors - Classes in session Juniors - Classes in session Sophomores- No classes (OFF) Freshmen - No classes for freshmen last names L-Z (OFF)
April 19, 2018 All Day	ASPIRE 9	Freshmen with last names L-Z	Seniors - Classes in session Juniors - Classes in session Sophomores - No classes (OFF) Freshmen - No classes for students last names A-K (OFF)

- *Sophomores who are in classes at NORTH CAMPUS should check with teachers regarding work missed on days “off.”*
- *When students are “off” they are encouraged to use this time to:*
  - *Complete any missing or make up work*
  - *Get help from a teacher (depending on teacher availability)*
  - *Volunteer or complete community service hours*
  - *Organize a job shadow or career-based learning experience.*
- *Teachers may require students to complete assignments online during “off” school days.*