

Centennial High School
Freshman ACT Aspire Testing
Special Schedules: April 1st and 2nd, 2025

Dear Freshman Coyotes and Parents,

The Arizona State Board of Education mandates that high schools test all 9th grade students. **On Tuesday, April 1st and Wednesday, April 2nd, Centennial will administer the ACT Aspire test to all freshmen.** The ACT Aspire monitors student growth and progress toward college and career readiness. It also provides students and families with a predictive score for the actual ACT, which students will take during their junior year.

The **ACT Aspire exam must be taken on school-issued laptops.** This two-day test will feature a special schedule and unique early release times:

April 1st and 2nd Special Schedules

Tuesday, April 1 st ACT Aspire Day 1		Wednesday, April 2 nd ACT Aspire Day 2	
Normal Morning Bus Pickup Times • Breakfast Available for Purchase at 6:45am			
7:20 – 7:55	Check-In and Pre-Test Items	7:20 – 7:45	Check-In and Pre-Test Items
7:55 – 8:40	English (45 Minutes)	7:45 – 8:45	Science (60 Minutes)
8:45 – 10:00	Math (75 Minutes)	8:50 – 9:30	Writing (40 Minutes)
10:00 – 10:40	Lunch	9:30 – 10:30	Academic Support (60 Minutes)
10:45 – 11:50	Reading (65 Minutes)	10:30	Release
11:50 – 12:45	Academic Support (45 Minutes)	10:45	Bus Departure
12:45	Release		
1:00	Bus Departure		
Juniors will also attend school to complete the ACT and AZ Science tests on these two days, with the same start and release times. Sophomores and seniors will complete virtual lessons from home and use their computers to submit virtual assignments for each class period.			



Students **must bring their school-issued laptop, fully charged** for testing. It is extremely important that students sign into the computer while on school Wi-Fi prior to the testing dates to ensure that all updates have been installed.

This Week and Weekend

Update Your School-Issued Laptop: Log onto school Wi-Fi using your school-issued laptop so you know it works and has downloaded all PUSD updates. This is especially important if you haven't recently used your CeHS laptop on campus.

Monday, March 31

Find Your Room Assignment: Room assignment lists will be posted in front of the library.

Charge Your School-Issued Laptop: Turn it off and charge it before bed so it's ready for a full day of testing.

Get a Full 8 Hours of Sleep: Go to bed early so that you wake up refreshed and ready to do your best!

The Mornings of April 1st and 2nd

Eat a Healthy Breakfast:	The tests require a lot of energy. Be sure to eat well in the morning.
Leave Personal Technology at Home:	Cell phones, Air Pods, and smart watches will not be permitted during testing, breaks, or lunch. Students who arrive with these items must turn them into the teacher as part of the secure testing requirements.
Bring Your Charged School Computer and Cord to School:	We do not have backup computers for students who forget theirs.
Arrive in Your Assigned Room Before 7:20am:	Students who arrive late will be sent home as they cannot be admitted late into the secure testing room.
Bring your School ID:	The ACT Aspire requires that students show photo identification to check into the testing room.

We look forward to these opportunities for our 9th graders to realize the progress they're making toward college and career readiness. If you have any questions, please call our office at 623-412-4400.

Thanks for your support and partnership!

Mr. Hollabaugh
Principal