

September 1, 2021



Dear Parent/Guardian,

You are receiving this letter because your child participated in the Grade 10 English Language Arts Florida Standards Assessment during their 10<sup>th</sup> grade year, but did not earn a passing score of 3 or higher. **A passing score on this assessment is a requirement to earn a high school diploma.** All students who did not earn a score of 3 or higher will participate in the September and February Grade 10 FSA Retake Testing during the 2021-2022 school year for writing and for reading. You will be receiving a message alert with information regarding the Grade 10 FSA Retake when details are available.

In addition to these two retake opportunities, we will be offering a Non-College reportable ACT at St. Augustine High School on October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> during the regular school day. We will offer the ACT Reading and English on the 5<sup>th</sup> and the ACT Math on the 6<sup>th</sup>. The cost of this test is \$35.00 for students and can be paid for on SchoolPay. Any student who participates in this ACT/NCR experience will be granted triple time on their test in the hope that this will give the student a better chance to acquire the necessary ACT concordant score for of an average of 18 on both the ACT Reading and English sections and if taking math the necessary ACT concordant score of 16 on the ACT Math section. **Earning the ACT Reading/English concordant score will satisfy the Grade 10 FSA graduation requirement and earning the ACT Math concordant score will satisfy the Algebra 1 EOC graduation requirement.** However, because these accommodations are not officially approved by ACT, results from this test experience will **not** be shared with colleges or scholarship agencies. ***It is worth repeating that the ACT scores earned during a non-college reportable ACT administration cannot be used for college admissions or scholarship purposes.***

If you are interested in your child taking the ACT/NCR and would like to have practice materials other than what is provided in his/her Intensive Reading and/or math class, your child can access the free ACT preparation materials available through the ACT website at <https://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/Preparing-for-the-ACT.pdf>.

Our goal is for 100% of our students to graduate with a standard high school diploma. We still are encouraging students to register for the Saturday ACT and SAT. You can visit collegeboard.org and ACT.org for dates, times, and cost of these exams. If you have any questions about graduation requirements or assessments, please reach out to your child's school counselor. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Heather Naughton  
Testing Coordinator

**Request:**

SAHS wants to make sure that you and your student understand the purpose of the ACT/NCR. SAHS asks that you and your student sign the below statement if your son/daughter wishes to participate in this non-college reportable ACT test experience and return it to his/her Intensive Reading teaching no later than Tuesday, September 28, 2021. **Please know there is not a make-up date nor are there refunds** if your child does not show.

- I understand that the ACT/NCR score will count toward possible fulfillment of the Grade 10 FSA and/or Algebra 1 EOC graduation requirement(s). Further, I understand that any ACT/NCR score earned during this non-college reportable accommodation experience cannot be reported to any colleges for admissions or scholarship purposes.

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_