



WEST CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL

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As required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), all public schools must meet the 95% assessment participation rate for students enrolled in tested grades. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and consequent quarantines of students, West Caldwell High School did not meet the 95% assessment participation requirement for ACT during the 2021 - 2022 school year.

West Caldwell High School did not meet the 95% assessment participation requirement for the following subgroups for ACT: Hispanic, White, and Economically Disadvantaged Students.

To ensure that all eligible students participate in testing during the 2022-2023 school year, the school has developed the following plan of action to address the participation rate.

Assessment Participation Action Plan

- Identify and review ACT data that informs assessment participation patterns and possible barriers or challenges to participation.
- Use data analysis to identify specific actions and realistic timeframes for increasing assessment participation.
- Identify team members who can best communicate the action plan to stakeholder groups and foster support from stakeholders.
- Increase communication (Talking Points, Blackboard Call, School Website, Social Media, School Announcements, Information Boards) of ACT testing dates with stakeholders (parents, students and staff).
- Monitor student participation in ACT preparation activities and make plan adjustments as needed.
- Monitor and assess eligible students using the Expect Test provided by the district testing coordinator.
- Monitor students participating in Caldwell non traditional learning modalities such as online instructional programs.
- Conduct parent conferences or home visits of students who are not able to test on the original ACT testing date to ensure they participate in the makeup ACT testing date.

Sincerely,

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