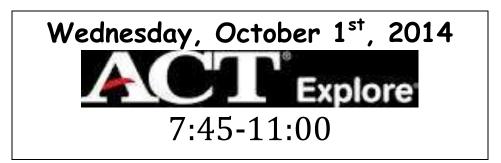
Important News Flash for OCJH Freshmen!

To all Freshmen Students and their Parents,

This letter is to inform you of the **Explore Test** that 9th graders will have an opportunity to participate in on **Wednesday, October 1st, 2014**.



EXPLORE is a curriculum-based assessment provided by the ACT Testing Corp that:

- Assesses 9th grade students' academic progress
- Provides early measurement of college readiness
- Aligns with Utah Core Curriculum
- Helps students understand and begin to explore career options
- Assists students in developing a high school course plan

For your information, the Utah Performance Assessment System for Students (U-PASS) has recently changed. The state no longer uses the IOWA standardized Test or the BSCT (Basic Skills Competency Test) for secondary students. These assessments have been replaced with the ACT Test for 11th grade students. EXPLORE is a junior high test that helps students prepare for the ACT.

The test takes approximately 2 hours and 45 minutes. There will be additional information about this test on the OCJH website (<u>oakcanyon.alpineschools.org</u>) and you are welcome to talk to your student's counselor or an administrator if you have questions.

This is a very important day! Please make sure your student comes to school on time, has eaten a good breakfast and has had a good night's rest!! Call the Counseling Office at 801-610-8139 if you have any questions.