

# KENTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## EAST KENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

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To parents/guardian of EKHS students,

During the month of April, EKHS juniors will take part in the Michigan Merit Exam (MME), a series of tests required by the state of Michigan.

The MME consists of three parts:

- **The SAT Plus Writing exam** - a nationally accepted college entrance exam (This exam normally costs test takers \$57.0 your student will be able to take it for free.)
- **The ACT Work Keys exam** - a comprehensive system for measuring important workplace skills.
- **The Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP)** – Science and Social Studies.

EKHS sophomores will be taking the **PSAT10**, which is designed to help prepare them for the SAT in their junior year of high school.

In order to accommodate this testing there will be an **alternate schedule for EKHS students the week of April 10, 2017.**

- **Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>** - regular **full day** for all students
- **Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** – Regular Schedule for Sophomores (full day)
  - Seniors **do not** report. All seniors are required to participate in Community Based Learning Projects. (Specific details have been shared in a separate senior communication)
  - Juniors will take the SAT (anticipated completion 1:30 pm)
- **Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** – **Half Day for all students**
  - 7:35-10:45 am
  - Juniors will take the ACT Workkeys
  - **Sophomores** will take the PSAT10
  - **Seniors** will attend informational assemblies regarding year end senior activities and other presentations
- **Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** - **regular full day**
- **Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** - **regular full day**

For additional information about these tests and also what testing week will look like, please visit our testing website <http://ekmstep.wixsite.com/2017>. The website also provides links to practice tests, study tips, writing tips, reminders, and even more information to ensure students are prepared to do their best come test day.

Please help by emphasizing to your students the importance of doing their best on these tests. The results of these tests will be a part of your student's permanent transcript and will also be used by colleges and universities when making admission decisions. East Kentwood has made a commitment to providing your student with the resources necessary for success. Student performance provides excellent feedback to students, parents, and the instructional staff as to how well students are achieving curriculum standards. The results of these tests will help EKHS monitor its progress. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Jamie Gordon at 698-6700 or visit the testing website.

Thank you,

Jamie Gordon  
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