

# SENIORS~



**TUESDAY, December 5<sup>th</sup>** —Mrs. Cone's 1<sup>st</sup> period *career prep lab* &  
Mrs. Cone's 6<sup>th</sup> period *library*

**WEDNESDAY, December 6<sup>th</sup>** —Mrs. Cone's 3<sup>rd</sup> period  
*career prep lab* &  
Mrs. Cone's 5<sup>th</sup> period *library*

## WHAT IS WORKKEYS?

- WorkKeys is an assessment that stresses skills development important for EVERY type of employment.
- WorkKeys measures "real world" skills that employers believe are critical to job success. Test questions are based on situations in the everyday work world.
- WorkKeys assessments include both cognitive & noncognitive skills that enable you to – determine skills you've achieved – identify skill to improve – match skills to jobs –show employers you have the skills needed for success

## WHY IS WORKKEYS IMPORTANT TO ME?

- *Studies show that occupations requiring higher skills in math, locating information, and reading, pay higher entry-level salaries.*
- By increasing skills levels while still in school, you can increase your opportunities for higher salaries in the future.
- You can earn the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC), which indicates that you have the foundational workplace skills needed to succeed.
- This credential is used across all sectors of the economy & documents the following skills:
  - Problem solving
  - Critical thinking
  - Reading & using work-related text
  - Applying information from work place docs. to solve problems
  - Applying mathematical reasoning to work-related problems
  - Setting up & performing work-related math calculations
  - Locating, synthesizing, & applying information that's presented graphically
  - Comparing, summarizing, & analyzing information presented in multiple related graphs

## .Levels of Certification:

- **Bronze** – scores at least a level 3 in each of the three areas & has necessary foundational skills for 16% of the jobs in the WorkKeys Database
- **Silver** – scores at least a level 4 in each of the three areas & has skills for 67% of the jobs in the database
- **Gold** – score at least a level 5 in each of the three areas & has skills for 93% of jobs in the database
- **Platinum** – scores at least a level 6 in each of the three areas & has skills for 99% of the jobs in the database
  - **you will receive a report to keep of your WorkKeys score**

## 3 WorkKeys Skills tests to be given:

- Applied Math (55 minute test)
- Graphic Literacy (55 minute test)
- Workplace Documents (55 minute test)

## ON TEST DAY:

- Please arrive to school on time on your testing day; Go to your 1<sup>st</sup> period class; you will be called when it's time for testing; however, boys **DO NOT go to 1<sup>st</sup> period Athletics!!**
- **Bring nothing with you!** This includes: food, drinks, cell phones, purses, & back packs.
- You may bring your calculator for the Applied Math test, but we will have approved calculators available