

## Dear Parents,

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and Kentucky school districts request parents and/or guardians of students under 18 to complete the ACT Parental Consent Form. Students who are under 18 will need your permission to send scores to colleges and participate in the ACT Interest Inventory, which is optional and has no effect on the student taking the State ACT Administration exam. Please see below for more information and guidance.

In order to be compliant with federal privacy law, KDE and school districts must do the following:

- Ensure the parents/guardians of students under 18 years of age know that the ACT Interest Inventory is optional, and parents have access to review the ACT Interest Inventory questions before a student is asked to fill out the inventory.
- Ensure the parents/guardians of students under 18 years of age have provided consent for students to participate in the Educational Opportunity Service (EOS) and/or request score reports sent up to 4 colleges.
- ACT is prohibited from providing scores to colleges or information from the EOS service to third parties without consent.
- Currently, ACT's processes are automated. No technological solutions can be instituted for the Kentucky state administration of the ACT. ACT cannot suppress sharing score reports and/or information with third parties if a student under 18 years of age signs up to send score reports to colleges or participates in the EOS and does not have consent.

Regardless of your decision, please complete the Parental Consent Form, and return it to your child's school.