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Odessa High School student earns highest score possible on ACT

Ector County ISD and Odessa High School are proud to announce senior Aakash Angirekula earned the highest composite score possible, a 36, on the ACT® test he took in June. Aakash is an International Baccalaureate Diploma candidate at OHS, and the son of Manohar and Mohana Angirekula.

According to the ACT, less than one-half of 1% of all test takers earn the top score. Among US high school graduates in the class of 2019, just 4,879 out of nearly 1.8 million students who took the ACT earned a composite score of 36.

Aakash was scheduled to take the ACT in April but the exam was cancelled due to COVID-19. It was rescheduled for June and that is when he took it and earned this remarkable score. In December, Aakash scored a perfect 800 in the math portion of the SAT.

The ACT consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science, each scored on a scale of 1-36. A student's composite score is the average of the four test scores. The score for ACT's optional writing test is reported separately and is not included within the ACT composite score.

In a letter to Aakash recognizing this exceptional achievement, ACT CEO Marten Roorda stated, "Your achievement on the ACT is significant and rare. Your exceptional scores will provide any college or university with ample evidence of your readiness for the academic rigors that lie ahead."



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