Dear Parent/Guardian of:
January 2017

The Cambridge end of course assessments, as part of Ready Now Yuma, measures a student’s mastery of subjects and where a student stands relative to college and career readiness. Students do not "pass" or "fail" the exams, but rather results are used to inform teaching and learning with the goal of supporting every student to be able to demonstrate college and career readiness.

Benefits of taking the exam are:

- Success on a test can make you stand out on college application materials
- Measures progress towards college readiness
- AS classes (Junior/Senior levels) can give you credit for college
- Good practice for ACT and SAT exams
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- Earn a Grand Canyon Diploma and start community college early

Grand Canyon Diploma Background Information:
In 2010, the Arizona Legislature established the Grand Canyon High School Diploma as an option to the state’s traditional high school diploma. It allows Arizona students who perform at a higher academic level than currently required to graduate to pursue one of several options, and – in some cases—to graduate early, if students and their families agree. If a student is interested in applying for the Grand Canyon Diploma s/he should make an appointment to see their counselor.

Parent/Guardian: To give your child permission to take the exams above, fill out the information below and return this completed letter to the Ready Now Yuma Secretary, Raeann Adkins (located in the library). The deadline to return this form is January 20, 2017.

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Parent/Guardian  ____________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________
Print Name  Signature  Date

Student  ____________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________
Print Name  Signature  Date

*Student and Parent: Please note that tests are free of charge. However, if a student registers for an exam and does not take the exam when scheduled to do so, they will be charged a fee of $65 per missed exam.