

DRAFT UPDATE

Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

6:340

Instruction

Student Testing and Assessment Program

The MVSEC student assessment program provides information for determining individual student achievement and instructional needs; curriculum and instruction effectiveness; and school performance measured against student learning objectives and statewide norms.

The Executive Director or designee shall manage the student assessment program that, at a minimum:

- Administers the State assessment system, known as the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), to all students and/or and any other appropriate assessment methods and instruments, including norm and criterion-referenced achievement tests, aptitude tests, proficiency tests, and teacher-developed tests.
- Informs students of the timelines and procedures applicable to their participation in every State assessment.
- 3. Be uniformly applied to all students who are required to be tested, including: (a) students in a State approved transitional bilingual education or transitional program, and (b) students who have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), subject to any modifications that may be required by an individual student's IEP.
- Provides each student's parents/guardians with the results or scores of each State assessment.
 See policy 6:280, Grading and Promotion.
- 5. Utilizes professional testing practices.

Overall student assessment data on tests required by State law will be aggregated by the Member Cooperative and reported, along with other information, on the Member Cooperative's annual report card. All reliable assessments administered by the Cooperative and scored by entities outside of the Cooperative must be (1) reported to ISBE on its form by the 30th day of each school year, and (2) made publicly available to parents and guardians of students. Board policy 7:340, Student Records, and its implementing procedures govern recordkeeping and access issues.

LEGAL REF.:

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. §1232g.

105 ILCS 5/2-3.63a-5, 5/2-3.64<u>a-5</u>, 5/10-17a, <u>5/22-82</u>, and 5/27-1.

CROSS REF.:

6:280 (Grading and Promotion), 7:340 (Student Records)

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Comment [APowell1]:

The policy and Legal References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/10-17a, amended by P.A. 99-642 and 105 ILCS 5/22-82, added by P.A. 99-590

Assessment reports are required beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. ISBE announced in its Weekly Message that it sent a survey tool to report the required information the week of 10-3-16 (See Message From State Supt. on 10-4-16 at: www.isbe.net/boand/archivemessages/2016/message-10042016.pdf). Because districts have a wide range of starting dates, ISBE will likely establish a reporting window for providing this information. Each school must also make this information publicly available to the parents and guardians of its students through the district's Internet website or distribute the information in paper form (Id. at (b)). See 2:250, E2, Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records.

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