

OLDHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

4095

References: KRS 158.6453, KRS 158.6455, 707 KAR 1: 300; 707 KAR 1:320

4095.01 STANDARDIZED TESTING PROGRAM

It shall be the policy of the Board to administer the appropriate assessment instruments of the state-mandated assessment program to all students in accountability grades. It shall further be the policy of the Board to administer continuous assessment instruments to all students as identified in the District Assessment Plan.

4095.02 TESTING FOR PLACEMENT IN SPECIAL PROGRAMS

The Board offers a comprehensive testing program for assessment and eligibility for special education and related services. The process involved in the placement of children in special education programs provides procedural safeguards to both the parent and the child. Therefore, informed parental consent must be obtained before assessment of any child referred for possible special education placement. Actual testing with appropriate placement is to be completed within sixty (60) school days after the parent/guardian grants permission for assessment. The Board adheres to all additional requirements as set forth in 707 KAR 1: 300; 707 KAR 1:320.

4095.03 FINAL EXAMINATIONS

Final examinations may be administered for academic courses at the high school level at the end of each semester in accordance with policies developed by the SBDM council at each high school.

4095.04 STANDARDS BASED ASSESSMENTS

Standards Based Assessments may be developed for use in conjunction with the District Curriculum Framework in such subject areas and at such grade levels as may be deemed appropriate at the school level.

4095.05 STATE MANDATED ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

The Kentucky State Board of Education has designated certain grades as "accountability" grades for the purpose of assessing the results of instruction. The scores which result from this accountability assessment are the decision-points for high-stakes consequences for the Oldham County Schools.

Therefore, notwithstanding grade point average, Carnegie unit, notations on report cards, teacher recommendations, every Oldham County student in an accountability grade **MUST**

- a) participate in the appropriate State Mandated Assessment Program
- b) make a good faith effort to complete the appropriate State assessment to the best of his/her ability, and
- c) submit the appropriate State assessment to the school staff for preparation for scoring in order to be promoted to the next grade or receive a diploma from the Oldham County Schools.

In accordance with The Every Student Succeeds Act, it is the policy of the Oldham County Schools that parents do not have the right to opt their students out of required assessment testing.