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Student Assessment

The Governing Board recognizes that student assessments are an important instructional and accountability tool. To obtain the most accurate evaluation of student performance, the district shall use a variety of measures, including district, state, and/or national assessments.

Any student use of technology to complete assessments shall be as specified in Board Policy 5131.9 - Academic Honesty and Board Policy 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology.

Assessment data shall be used to help determine individual students' progress, mastery of academic standards, appropriate placement in district programs, and/or eligibility for graduation. In addition, summary data on student assessment results shall be used by the district to identify and review student achievement goals in the district's local control and accountability plan, evaluate district educational programs in order to identify needed improvements, and, as appropriate, evaluate staff performance.

In selecting or developing any district assessment, the Superintendent or designee shall examine evidence of its reliability, its validity for the intended purpose and for various student populations, and the extent to which it aligns with the material that is being taught.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that assessments are administered in accordance with law and test publisher's directions, and that test administration procedures are fair and equitable for all students.

As appropriate, assessment results shall be disaggregated by student subgroup, classroom, grade level, and/or school site to allow for critical analysis of student needs.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide professional development as needed to assist administrators and teachers in interpreting and using assessment data to improve student performance and the instructional program.

When districtwide and school-level results of student assessments are published by the

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state, the Superintendent or designee may provide supplementary information to assist parents/guardians and the community in understanding test results.

Interim and Formative Assessments

State interim and formative assessments may be used in combination with other sources of information to gain timely feedback about student progress in an effort to continually adjust instruction to improve learning, and for communicating with students' parents/guardians and identifying professional development goals. Results from interim and formative assessments shall not be used for any high-stakes purpose, including, but not limited to, teacher or other school staff evaluation, accountability, student grade promotion or retention, graduation, course or class placement, identification for gifted or talented education, reclassification of English learners, or identification as an individual with exceptional needs. (Education Code 60642.6, 60642.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that teachers who administer interim and formative assessments have access to all functions and information designed for teacher use related to such assessments and student performance on the assessments. (Education Code 60642.6)

Individual Record of Accomplishment

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each student, by the end of grade 6, has an individual record of accomplishment that includes the following: (Education Code 60607)

1. The results of the state achievement tests required and administered as part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or any predecessor assessments, pursuant to Education Code 60640-60649
2. The results of any end-of-grade examinations taken

No individual record of accomplishment shall be released to any person, other than the

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student's parent/guardian or a teacher, counselor, or administrator directly involved with the student, without the written consent of the student's parent/guardian, or the student if the student is an adult or emancipated minor.

State	Description
5 CCR 850-876	California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
Ed. Code 10600-10610	California Education Information System
Ed. Code 313	Assessment of English language development
Ed. Code 44660-44665	Evaluation and assessment of performance of certificated employees
Ed. Code 49558	Free and reduced-price meals; use of individual applications and records
Ed. Code 51041	Evaluation of the educational program
Ed. Code 51450-51455	Golden State Seal Merit Diploma
Ed. Code 52052	Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups
Ed. Code 52059.5-52077	Local control and accountability plan
Ed. Code 56341.1	Assistive technology devices for a student with a disability
Ed. Code 60600-60649	Assessment of academic achievement
Ed. Code 60640-60648.5	California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
Ed. Code 60800	Physical performance test
Ed. Code 60900-60901	California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System
Ed. Code 60910	California State Preschool Program Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System
Federal	Description
20 USC 1401	Assistive technology device; definition

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20 USC 9622

National Assessment of Educational Progress