5012 Basic Testing Program

I. Basic Testing and Assessment Program

The school district will use a basic testing and assessment program to evaluate the outcome of the educational program and to provide information needed in working with individuals. The program will be supplemented by such individual and supplementary tests as the needs of the educational program and the district indicate. The superintendent and designees will coordinate the program from Kindergarten through twelfth grade to provide continuity. Teachers are prohibited from engaging in any behavior that adversely affects the validity of test scores as a measure of student achievement. Teachers should consult with relevant board policies and district protocols assessment administration and security.

II. Use and Dissemination of Test Results

At the board of education's regular July meeting, the superintendent of schools shall provide an annual written report consisting of the results of the district's performance program including but not limited to: standardized norm-referenced assessments, criterion-referenced assessments, student performance, school system demographics, financial information, a follow-up study of graduates, and a learning climate survey. This report shall be made available to all patrons of the district. Building level results will be reported only to appropriate staff for review and goal setting.

This report shall not include any individual test scores or assessment, but individual student test scores or assessment results will be reported to the student's parents or legal guardian(s).

A comprehensive evaluation of the district shall be conducted at least once every five years using instruments and guides approved by the Department of Education.

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