INSTRUCTION

Student Testing and Assessment Program

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

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

1. Administers the State assessment system, known as the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR), to all students and/or any other appropriate assessment methods and instruments, including norm and criterion-referenced achievement tests, aptitude tests, proficiency tests, and teacher-developed tests.
2. Informs students of the timelines and procedures applicable to their participation in every State assessment.
3. Provides each student’s parent(s)/guardian(s) with the results or scores of each State assessment and an evaluation of the student’s progress.
4. Utilizes professional testing practices.

In addition to traditional assessment practices, a variety of alternative assessment measures will be used to enhance the instruction process and to assess student learning. This may include, but is not limited to, student portfolios, student conferences, student self-assessment, observations, and performances.

Overall student assessment data on tests required by State law will be aggregated by the District and reported, along with other information, to the Board of Education and on the District’s annual report card. All reliable assessments administered by the District and scored by entities outside of the District must be (1) reported to ISBE on its form by the 30th day of each school year, and (2) made publicly available to parents/guardians of students.


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