

Grants Pass School District 7

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Assessment Program**

The assessment program in the district shall be for the purpose of program improvement for the district as a whole and for individual students.

The district shall maintain the following assessment program:

1. Performance-based assessments with results reported to the Board and parents;
2. Annual statewide benchmarks in grades as required. Results reported annually to the Board, parents and community;
3. Assessment of Essential Skills
4. Criterion referenced assessment in selected areas/programs;
5. Content-based assessments;
6. Individual diagnostic and ability evaluations in all grades when individuals have been referred and parental permission obtained;
7. Assessments by individual teachers;
8. District-approved optional assessments.

The results of such assessments shall be used to identify individual student's learning strengths and weaknesses and as a basis for planning learning activities. Results shall also be a factor in determining the educational progress of students and the success of school programs.

Assessment scores shall be disseminated to students, parents and the general public within administrative rules of the State Board of Education and applicable state and federal laws.

The district shall make additional services or alternative educational or public school options available to any student who has not met or has exceeded all of the state required academic standards.

The district shall not discriminate in the methods, practices and materials used for assessment, evaluating and counseling students on the basis of race, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or marital status. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

Staff will receive in-service education in the use of designated assessments and interpretation of assessment results.

A periodic review and evaluation of the district’s assessment program will be conducted.

A student may opt-out of the Smarter Balanced and/or alternate Oregon Extended Assessments in English language arts and mathematics as provided in state law. The district shall provide the required notice and necessary forms to the student. The district shall provide supervised study time for students who are excused from participating in the assessment. A student may be excused from the Oregon Statewide Assessment Program for disability or religious reasons. Parents and adult students will be provided the required notices¹ that include a time frame in which statewide assessments will take place, and an adult student’s or parent’s right to request an exemption from taking the statewide summative assessments.

The district shall establish conduct and discipline consequences for student-initiated test impropriety. “Student-initiated test impropriety” means student conduct that is inconsistent with the *Test Administration Manual* or accompanying guidance; or results in a score that is invalid.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 40.245](#)
[ORS 326.565](#)
[ORS 326.575](#)
[ORS 329.485](#)
[ORS 336.187](#)
[ORS 659.870](#)

[OAR 581-021-0030](#)
[OAR 581-022-0606](#)
[OAR 581-022-0610](#)
[OAR 581-022-0612](#)
[OAR 581-022-0615](#)
[OAR 581-022-1140](#)

[OAR 581-022-1210](#)
[OAR 581-022-1510](#)
[OAR 581-022-1670](#)
[OAR 581-022-1910](#)
HB 2655 (2015)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2011); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2011).

Protection of Pupil Rights, 20 U.S.C. § 1232h (2006); Student Rights in Research, Experimental Programs and Testing, 34 C.F.R. Part 98 (2006).

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 - 1427 (2006).

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 6311-6322 (2006).

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Flexibility Waiver; July 23, 2015.

¹Districts are required to provide notice twice each year: once at the beginning of the year; and second time at least 30 days prior to the administration of the test. The 30-day notice must first be provided during the 2015-2016 school year. The beginning of the year notice must first be provided during the 2016-2017 school year.