

Multnomah Education Service District

Code: **JHDA**
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Psychological Testing of Students**

Psychological tests, excluding intelligence tests, shall be administered by MESD to students only by certified psychologists/psychometrists employed for this purpose or by interns under their supervision. Adherence to this policy shall ensure quality psychological services and shall protect the educational rights, dignity and privacy of students and parents, guardians or persons in a parental relationship.

Psychological evaluations shall be made only after informed and written consent is obtained from the student's parent, guardian, person in a parental relationship or surrogate, unless the student is of legal age to give his/her informed and written consent. Psychological data shall be only one of several criteria used for determining any change in a student's educational program. Psychological data older than three years shall not be used as the basis for prescriptive teaching or placement.

To ensure confidentiality of psychological records, written parental consent is required prior to the release of psychological data. The following information also shall be required: (1) the signature of all persons, agencies or organizations desiring access to the records of students, (2) the right of parents, guardians or persons in a parental relationship to inspect all psychological records pertaining to their student, (3) the opportunity for a hearing to challenge the contents of their student's psychological records and (4) giving students age 18 and older rights heretofore accorded to parents, guardians or persons in a parental relationship.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[OAR 581-021-0030](#)
[OAR 581-021-0046\(7\)](#)
[OAR 581-022-1670](#)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2006); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2006).
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).

MESD Cross Reference(s):

IA/IAA - Instructional Goal
IGBA - Students with Disabilities - Child Identification Procedures
IGBAB/JO - Student Education Records**
IGBAH - Special Education - Evaluation Procedures
IGBAJ - Special Education - Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)
IGBHA - Alternative Education Programs**
JB - Equal Education Opportunity
JH - Student Welfare
KAB - Parental Rights