Assessment Policy

Subject: Assessment Policy

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Scope: Element Schools

Policy:

The State of California mandates standardized testing for all students in a public school to measure academic achievement. Element Schools are part of a publicly funded program, reliant on testing data for funding determination, and are accountable to the State for the academic achievement of the students in its program,

Procedure:

- 1. All students in grades 3-8 and grade 11 shall take the California Assessment for Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) in English Language Arts and Mathematics.
- 2. All students entering grade nine (9) shall be assessed with a minimum of two objective academic measures of math performance in order to efficiently and accurately select the appropriate curriculum and instructional techniques for the learning plan.
- 3. A minimum of two objective academic measures shall be used to determine current performance in English Language Arts and Mathematics; one will be the school-wide adopted internal assessment tool. In addition, the students' power traits and accommodations outlined in the student's IEP will be considered.
- 4. After the first learning period of enrollment, student progress will be reviewed for confirmation of accurate placement.
- 5. School Leadership will examine student placement data annually; findings will be reported to the governing board by the School Director at a regular board meeting.
- 6. Should a student and/or parent/guardian question the student's placement or assigned curriculum, the parent/guardian may appeal to the School Director in writing. The School Director will investigate the information and provide a response within ten school days.