

TESTING PROGRAM

A comprehensive testing program shall be established and maintained to evaluate the education program of the school district and to assist in providing guidance or counseling services to students and their families.

No student shall be required, as part of a program funded by the United States Department of Education, to submit, without prior written consent from the student's parent, to psychiatric or psychological examination, testing or treatment in which the primary purpose is to reveal information concerning:

- political affiliations;
- mental and psychological problems potentially embarrassing to the student or his family;
- sex behavior and attitudes;
- illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating and demeaning behavior;
- critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- legally recognized, privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers; or
- income, but not including income required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program.

As used herein, the terms psychiatric or psychological examination, testing or treatment are intended to have their ordinary and customary meaning which refers to a recognized medical or therapeutic discipline practiced by licensed professionals. The terms do not mean ordinary classroom activities or teaching techniques. Only persons with a valid State Department of Education school psychologist license may administer psychological tests.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, in conjunction with the principal, to develop administrative regulations regarding this policy.

It shall be the responsibility of the board to review and approve the evaluation and testing program.

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Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. § 1232h (1988).  
Iowa Code §§ 256B; 280.3; 282.1, .3, .6 (1993).  
281 I.A.C. 12.5(13); 12.5(21).

Cross Reference: 505 Student Scholastic Achievement  
506 Student Records  
507 Student Health and Well-Being