

DISTRICT PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS

Colorado Springs School District 11 (the District) shall establish and maintain a district-wide, multidimensional assessment program which may be used, communicated and interpreted by school and district personnel.

The program shall lend itself to:

1. A qualitative assessment of the educational program of the District for purposes of reporting the overall status of the District charting the growth of its students individually or by grades, school and curricular areas from year to year.
2. Appropriate reports to the Board of Education, administration, schools and their communities.
3. Appropriate reports to the Colorado Department of Education and the Board on outcomes by race, ethnicity and gender for groups larger than 16 students.
4. Interpretation and use by the teacher, counselor and administrator so that the results will assist in improving instruction for students, development of a high quality curriculum and the certification of outcomes as required by statute.

The program shall reflect the academic growth of students on significant district outcomes and use alternative assessment techniques appropriately.

The testing program may include a variety of measures including norm-referenced and criterion-referenced achievement tests, performance assessments and portfolios.

Inservice meetings shall be held to help all teachers in the interpretation and use of assessment results. The Educational Data and Support Services department shall be responsible for the development and administration of the assessment program.

Measurements of educational achievement shall be prepared so that data is consistent for comparison purposes within the District from year to year and with other school districts to the extent required by rules of the State Board of Education.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-32-109.5

CROSS REFS.: GCS, Professional Research and Publishing
IC/ICA, School Year/School Calendar
IKA, Grading/Assessment Systems
ILBB, State Program Assessments
JLDAC, Screening/Testing of Students
LC, Research Projects, Studies, Experiments and Surveys

Policy Owner: Educational Data and Support Services