

STATE REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS

The Superintendent is charged with the administration of all state required assessments. As a valuable measurement of student progress, results of state assessments will be shared with the Board so the Board can use accurate and up-to-date data in district decision making.

If the Superintendent has sufficient evidence that cheating on a state-required academic test occurred, the Superintendent shall investigate the circumstances. The Superintendent shall report the findings of the investigation to the South Dakota Department of Education. The Superintendent will also make a formal report to the Board, excluding any personally identifiable information of students involved.

Cheating is defined as any form of academic dishonesty or cheating, including the unauthorized knowledge of the achievement test by a student or providing unauthorized access to secure test questions or tampering or altering of student answer sheets by school district personnel.

Student and staff handbooks will contain information about what constitutes cheating and communicate the possible personal and district sanctions.

The District shall not collect information that is not necessary for the determination of student academic progress, state and federal reporting requirements, other duties prescribed to the District, or for the calculation of funding for public education.

Pursuant to such procedures as established by the South Dakota Department of Education, the parent of a student to whom an assessment is administered pursuant to state law or the eligible student may request to inspect and review the assessment of the student after it is scored and the results are provided to the parent or eligible student. The law requires the Department of Education to provide through its website information to parents and eligible students regarding the process and procedures for the inspection and review as authorized by law. The District will also provide parents and eligible students information regarding the process and procedures for the inspection and review as authorized by law. The parent or eligible student shall be provided with access to the assessment in a secured

environment within a reasonable period of time, but not more than forty-five (45) days after the request is received. The term "parent" and the term "eligible student" are as defined in state law.

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