

Psychological Testing of Students**

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

Psychological evaluations will be made only after informed and written consent is obtained from the student's parent or surrogate, unless the student is of legal age to give his/her informed and written consent. Psychological data will be only one of several criteria used for determining any change in a student's educational program. Psychological data older than three years will 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 will be required:

1. The signature of all persons, agencies or organizations desiring access to the records of students;
2. The right of parents 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.

Educational records will be released only in accordance with law.

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).