

Psychological Testing of Students

Psychological tests will be administered to students only by certified school 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 of the child's parent or guardian is obtained, unless the student is of legal age to give his/her informed and written consent. Psychological data will be only one of several criteria 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 will also 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 child;
3. The opportunity for a hearing to challenge the contents of their child's psychological records; and
4. Student's age 18 and older may receive rights heretofore accorded to parents.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[OAR 581-021-0030](#)

[OAR 581-022-1670](#)

[OAR 581-021-0046](#) (7)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99 (2000).
Protection of Pupil Rights, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232h; 34 CFR Part 98 (2000).