

## **Psychological Testing of Students**

Psychological tests, excluding intelligence tests, will be administered by the district to students only by licensed 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. Parents will also be informed of their right to:

- 1\* Inspect all psychological records pertaining to their student; and
- 2\* A hearing to challenge the contents of their student's psychological records. Students 18 years of age and older will be extended all education records rights heretofore accorded to parents.

Education records will be released only in accordance with law.

**END OF POLICY**

Legal Reference(s):

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).