STATE REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS

The Superintendent is charged with the administration of all state 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 student 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 defining 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.

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Legal References:

- SDCL 13-3-51 (Data reporting and record systems)
- SDCL 13-3-55 (Academic achievement tests)
- SDCL 13-3-56.1 (Cheating on academic achievement test)
- SDCL 13-3-56.2 (Report of investigation)
- SDCL 13-42-32 (Suspension or revocation of certification for compromising integrity of academic achievement test)

Cross References:

- JFC: Student Conduct
- GBCB: Staff Conduct