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State Academic Achievement Tests

The Governing Board recognizes that state achievement test results provide an indication of student progress in achieving state academic standards and may be used to promote high-quality teaching and learning. The Superintendent or designee shall administer mandatory student assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) as required by law and in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards) (cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment) (cf. 6162.54 - Test Integrity/Test Preparation) (cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas) (cf. 9321.1 - Closed Session Actions and Reports)

The Board strongly encourages all students at the applicable grade levels to participate in the state assessments in order to maximize the usefulness of the data and enable the district to meet participation levels required for state and federal accountability systems. The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians about the importance of these assessments and shall develop strategies to encourage student participation. Students shall be exempted from participation only in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools) (cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts) (cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

The Board shall annually examine state assessment results by school, grade level, and student subgroup as one measure of the district's progress in attaining its student achievement goals and shall revise the local control and accountability plan and other district or school plans as necessary to improve student achievement for underperforming student groups.

(cf. 0460 – Local Control and Accountability Plan) (cf. 0500 – Accountability)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 49076 Student records: access 51041 Evaluation of educational program 52052 Academic Performance Index; numerically significant student subgroups 52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan 56345 Individualized education program, contents 60600-60630 Assessment of academic achievement 60640-60649 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress 60660-60663 Electronic learning assessment resources 60810 Assessment of language development 99300-99301 Early Assessment Program CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 850-864 State assessments UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 1412 Participation of students with disabilities in state assessments 6311 Adequate yearly progress CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 200.1 Standards and assessment



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Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS Supporting Student Achievement: Student Assessment System in Flux, Governance Brief, June 2013 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS Assembly Bill 484 Questions and Answers CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS The Early Assessment Program: Handbook for School Site Leaders, 2008 SMARTER BALANCED ASSESSMENT CONSORTIUM PUBLICATIONS Usability, Accessibility, and Accommodations Guidelines, September 2013 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS The Use of Tests as Part of High-Stakes Decision-Making for Students: A Resource Guide for Educators and Policy-Makers, December 2000 WEB SITES CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Department of Education, Testing and Accountability: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta California Learning Resources Network: http://clrn.org California State University, Early Assessment Program: http://www.calstate.edu/eap Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium: http://www.smarterbalanced.org

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr