

ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS

The Appleton Area School District shall establish and maintain a testing and assessment program.

The program will contribute to:

1. A qualitative assessment of the educational program of the district for purposes of reporting the overall status of the district and charting the growth of its students, grades, and schools from year to year.
2. Appropriate reports to the Board and community.
3. Interpretation and use by district staff, students, and parents in developing and providing appropriate programs and services.

All students with identified disabilities who receive special education services will participate in standardized group assessments as administered unless determined otherwise by an IEP team. When based on disability-related needs, allowable accommodations - such as changes in the assessment setting, presentation methods, or student response requirements - may be recommended by the IEP team to help assure that assessments appropriately allow students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills. If the daily instruction of students with disabilities is significantly different from the general curriculum, IEP teams may recommend participation in an alternate assessment.

English Language Learners at levels III, IV, and V will take standardized group tests and the Wisconsin Reading Comprehension Test, as administered or with allowable accommodations. English Language Learner at levels I and II will participate in alternate assessments and may take standardized group tests and the Wisconsin Reading Comprehension Test, as administered or with allowable accommodations.

Student Nondiscrimination

The Appleton Area School District does not discriminate against students on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or physical, cognitive, emotional or learning disability in its education programs or activities.

Cross References: Student Discrimination Complaint Procedures, 411.2-Rule

Legal References: Wisconsin State Statutes 118.13, 118.30, 120.12 (2), 120.44, and 121.02 (1)(r)(s)
Wisconsin Administration Code PI 8.01(2), (r) & (s) and PI 16

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