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State Board Approves Score Ranges for New State Assessments

JUNEAU -- The State Board of Education and Early Development, meeting July 14 by audio conference, adopted regulations that set the achievement level scores for the statewide assessments and amended regulations to require school districts to annually administer statewide assessments in English language arts and mathematics in grades three through eight and at least once in high school.

The regulations the board adopted set the range of students' scores for each achievement level of the Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools statewide assessment in English language arts and mathematics; set the range of students' scores for each achievement level of the science assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities; and allow the state flexibility to assess students annually in English language arts and mathematics in grades three through eight and in one or more years, as determined by the commissioner, in grades nine through twelve. Previous regulations specified grades three through ten.

The next meeting of the board will be on August 1 to further discuss the second draft of the state plan to implement the Every Student Succeeds Act.

The packet for the July 14 meeting is available at
https://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/pdf/17-July-Packet_v3.pdf.

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