

4 AAC 06.717 is amended to read:

(b) **Except as provided in (f) of this section,** [BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011, AND] in each school year for which the state obtains the license described in (c) of this section, each school district in the state shall **allow students in grade 12 and** require students in grade 11 to take the assessment described in (a) of this section in

- (1) applied mathematics;
- (2) reading for information; and
- (3) locating information.

4 AAC 06.717(c)(1) is amended to read:

(1) will obtain a license that allows school districts to administer the assessment described in **(b)** [(a)] of this section **one time per year** with no charge assessed to the district by the vendor of the assessment;

4 AAC 06.717(d) is amended to read:

(d) The assessment described in (a) of this section shall be administered and scored electronically **no earlier than August 1 and no later than December 30 each school year,** unless electronic administration is not practicable. **For districts in which electronic administration is not practicable, the commissioner shall designate a two-week testing period each school year for non-electronic administration of the assessment.** Each student who participates shall be provided a score report. A student's best score report shall be included under 4 AAC 07.060(a)(5) in the student's cumulative record.

4 AAC 06.717 is amended to read:

(e) [A STUDENT WHO HAS TAKEN THE ASSESSMENT DESCRIBED IN (a) OF THIS SECTION MAY TAKE THE ASSESSMENT AGAIN AT NO CHARGE FROM THE VENDOR TO THE DISTRICT OR STUDENT IF, AFTER RECEIVING THE SCORE REPORT DESCRIBED IN (d) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE STUDENT'S MOST RECENT ASSESSMENT, THE STUDENT HAS TAKEN ONE OR MORE ADDITIONAL BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS DESCRIBED IN 4 AAC 06.715, AND HAS OBTAINED A SCORE THAT DEMONSTRATES AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE SCORE OBTAINED ON THE SCORE REPORT DESCRIBED IN (d) OF THIS SECTION.] A district may permit a student to take the assessment additional times at the district's or the student's expense.

4 AAC 06.717 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(f) The IEP team for a student with a significant cognitive disability may determine whether the student will take the assessment based on the IEP team's determination of whether the assessment supports the transitional plan of the student's IEP. In this subsection,

(1) "IEP" means the individualized education program described in 4 AAC 52.140;

(2) "IEP team" means the team described in 4 AAC 52.140(b)(3);

(3) "student with a significant cognitive disability" means a student described in 4 AAC 06.775(b). (Eff. 2/23/2008, Register 185; am 7/19/2009, Register 191; am __/__/____, Register __)

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