

Policy II

TESTING PROGRAMS (*Test Security*)

Code: **II** Latest Revision: 02/11/2020

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for establishing standardized test.

The superintendent may not permit state or national standardized testing to be administered without complying with applicable state test security requirements. Current tests may not be used as instructional tools.

Statewide Assessment Program

All students attending Florence County School District Three shall participate in the statewide assessment programs as mandated by current applicable law and regulations.

The state readiness program shall be administered each year as prescribed by the state.

Florence County School District Three shall comply with the administration as well as state law and regulations in the implementation of the statewide assessment program.

Students with disabilities shall be included in the assessment program in compliance with the provisions of state and federal laws and regulations.

Florence School District Three does require a Test Administrator and a Test Monitor for all state standardized testing.

The use of any electronic devices (e.g., cell phone, smartphone/watch camera, PDA, or playback device, etc.) that could allow students to view, access, retain, or transit information for state-mandates assessment is not allowed by students. Only students who use an electronic device for documented medical purposes (e.g., glucose monitoring, cardiac monitoring) may be allowed access to the device(s) during testing.

FSD3 schools will collect and secure prohibited devices that are not allowed during testing. If a student has an unauthorized device during state testing, this is a testing violation and will result in disciplinary action (an administrative hearing/ manifestation determination) and may invalidate the student's test.

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Constitutional and Statutory Provisions:

A. Federal Law: The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004

B. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:

1. Section 59-1-445 - Violations of mandatory testing security; penalties; investigations.
2. Section 59-1-447 - Regulations for mandatory test security procedures.
3. Section 59-18-310, et.seq. – Education Accountability Act of 1998.

B. State Board of Education Regulations:

1. R-43-100 - Test Security Regulations
2. R-43-262 – Assessment programs.
3. R-262.4 – End of course test.

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