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**Secondary Education**  
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**5 CSR 50-280.010 Student Assessment**

*PURPOSE: This rule interprets and implements the provisions of the Excellence in Education Act of 1985, section 160.257, RSMo (1994), and the Outstanding Schools Act of 1993, section 160.518, RSMo (1994), which relate to assessment programs in local school districts.*

(1) Each local school district shall develop a written plan for assessing all students (including such special populations as students with disabilities who are eligible to receive special education services; students whose first language is not English; migrant students; and gifted and talented students) which meets the standards for the classification and accreditation of public school districts as set forth in 5 CSR 50-340.010.

(2) Each local plan shall include, at a minimum, all available components of the Missouri Assessment Program developed pursuant to the Outstanding Schools Act of 1993, section 160.518, RSMo (with the exception of those districts for whom a waiver has been granted pursuant to subsections 3 and 4 of section 160.518, RSMo). Such assessments shall be used to monitor the progress of ALL students (other than those who may be exempted as specified by Department of Elementary and Secondary Education guidelines) on the Show-Me Standards, and to identify areas for instructional improvement.

(3) Local districts shall include ALL students in the accountability process as set forth in 5 CSR 30-345.010 and applicable federal regulations.

(4) Local district assessment plans shall include methods to assess student progress on those Show-Me Standards which are not assessed by the Missouri Assessment Program.

(5) Upon request, each local school district shall provide the department its local assessment plan, information about test development procedures (if applicable) or any other assessment information the department may require.

*AUTHORITY: sections 160.257 and 160.518,  
RSMo 1994. \* Original rule filed July 2,*