

Testing Requirements Based on State Law and NCLB

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Classification	Instructional Environment	Age Comparison ¹	MSIS Grade	Peer Grade	Must be Tested?	
Students who are NOT in the Senior Snapshot (Enrolled During Testing Window)						
Not Disabled	Regular Classroom 100%	On Peer Grade	PK – 02	NA	NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 12		NO	
		“Overage”	PK – 02		NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 11		NO	
Disabled (IDEA)	Regular Classroom >=80% “SA -- Regular”	On Peer Grade	PK – 02	NA	NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 11		NO	
		“Overage”	PK – 02		NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 11		NO	
	Regular Classroom 40-79% “SB – Resourced”	On Peer Grade	PK – 02	NA	NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 11		NO	
		“Overage”	PK – 02		NO	
			03 – 08		YES*	
			09 – 11		NO	
	Regular Classroom <40% “SC -- Self-Contained”	On Peer Grade	56/58	< 03	NO	
				03-08	YES*	
				>08	NO	
		“Overage”		< 03	NO	
				03-08	YES*	
				09-12	NO	
Senior Snapshot Students (Enrolled During Month 8 – April)						
Not Disabled	Regular Class-Room 100%	On Peer Grade	12	NA	All Senior Snapshot students must (1) have test data in the subject from any SATP administration, or (2) have transferred in credit for the course, or (3) have data in the subject from the MAAECF (SCD only).	
		“Overage”	12			
	District GED Program	On Peer Grade	78			13 (age 18 on Sept. 1)
		“Overage”				
Disabled (IDEA)	Regular Class-Room >=80%	On Peer Grade	12	NA		
		“Overage”	12			
	Regular Class-Room 40-79%	On Peer Grade	12			
		“Overage”	12			
	Regular Class-Room <40%	On Peer Grade	56/58	13 (age 18 on Sept. 1)		
		“Overage”				
	District GED Program	On Peer Grade	78	13 (age 18 on Sept. 1)		
		“Overage”				

¹This column shows that a student being “overage” (e.g., due to one or more retentions) is NOT a consideration.

* All non-SCD students must take the test corresponding to his/her MSIS Grade or Peer Grade as shown above. SCD students may be administered the MAAECF level corresponding to his/her MSIS Grade or Peer Grade.

Note: ALL students taking Algebra I, Biology I, English II, or U.S. History from 1877 MUST BE TESTED.

See *Guidelines for Testing Students with Disabilities* and *Guidelines for English Language Learners: Policies, Procedures, and Assessments* posted on the Office of Student Assessment web page.