DELAWARE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PROGRESS

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	213. ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PROGRESS
1. Purpose Pol. 212	The Board recognizes that a system of assessing student achievement can help students, teachers, and parents/guardians to understand and evaluate a student's progress toward educational goals and academic standards.
2. Definition Title 22 Sec. 4.11	Assessment shall be the system of measuring and recording student progress and achievement that enables the student, parents/guardians and teachers to determine a student's attainment of established academic standards and to learn the student's strengths and weaknesses.
3. Authority SC 1531, 1532 Title 22 Sec. 4.11, 4.51, 4.52 Pol. 102, 216	The Board directs that the district's instructional program shall include a system of assessing all students' academic progress. The system shall include descriptions of how achievement of academic standards will be measured and how this information will be used to assist students having difficulty meeting required standards. The system of assessments shall include local benchmark assessments in core content areas.
Title 22 Sec. 4.52	Students with disabilities shall be included in the district's assessment system, with appropriate accommodations when necessary.
Title 22 Sec. 4.52	The district's assessment system shall include a variety of assessment strategies which may include:
	1. Written work by students.
	2. Scientific experiments conducted by students.
	3. Works of art or musical, theatrical or dance performances by students.
Pol. 217	4. Demonstrations, performances, products or projects by students related to specific academic standards.
	5. Examinations developed by teachers to assess specific academic standards.

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	6. Nationally-available achievement tests.
	7. Diagnostic assessments.
	8. Evaluations of portfolios of student work related to achievement of academic standards.
	9. Other measures, as appropriate, which may include standardized tests.
4. Delegation of Responsibility Title 22 Sec. 4.52	The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement procedures to assess student progress, in accordance with district goals and regulations of the State Board of Education.
5. Guidelines	At the outset of any course, each student should be informed about the academic standards to be attained.
	Methods of assessment shall be appropriate to the planned instruction and maturity of students.
	Assessment strategies should objectively evaluate and reward students for their efforts.
	Students should be encouraged to assess their own academic achievements.
	All assessment systems shall be subject to continuing review and revision.