

## **USE OF PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT, DIPLOMA EXAM RESULTS AND STUDENT LEARNING ASSESSMENT**

### **Background**

Evaluation of student achievement through Provincial Achievement Tests, Diploma Exam results and Student Learning Assessment, released in context with other related school based results, provides valuable information on student progress and instructional programming.

The release of the Provincial Achievement Tests, Diploma Exam and Student Learning Assessment results is to be done in a timely fashion in accordance with the timelines set out by Alberta Education.

The Assistant Superintendent is responsible for administration of this administrative procedure.

### **Procedures**

1. All students will participate in provincial achievement testing and diploma examinations or Student Learning Assessment as prescribed by Alberta Education. Individual students may be exempted from these only in accordance with Alberta Education's testing policy and only in exceptional circumstances. Written requests should be made to the Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services and will be dealt with on a case by case basis.
2. Group test results (both school and Division) are to be utilized for the purpose of identifying program strengths and weaknesses, looking for annual and multi-year trends and planning for instructional follow up in areas of identified need.
3. The Principal shall annually present to the School Council and to parents, through school newsletters or other communications, the School Education Plan/Results Report on Student Achievement, based on the school's group test results in the Provincial Achievement Tests and/or the Provincial Diploma Examinations or Student Learning Assessment.
4. The Superintendent or designate shall annually present to the Board, a public report on student achievement based on the Division group test results in the Provincial Achievement Tests and the Diploma Exams or Student Learning Assessment in accordance with provincial policy.
  - 4.1 Further information on student achievement shall be made available to the Board on a timely basis.

Reference: Relevant Legislation & Guidelines