Article IX.B.1. **Research, Assessment, & Evaluation General Responsibilities**

A. **Statement of Purpose**

District-wide testing will be used to assess student progress in achieving instructional objectives and to evaluate the quality of instruction and curriculum generally. Using assessment instruments appropriately will provide the opportunity to make comparisons regarding the quality of our programs within the state and nationally.

District-wide testing using nationally-normed standardized tests will be given in selected grades in elementary and secondary schools. The purpose of standardized testing is to assess District instructional programs. State developed criterion referenced tests will be given in the spring to assess individual student progress that will reflect instructional delivery decisions.

The materials distributed to teachers include an individual pupil profile which is included in the individual folder for each student. The test profile will be discussed with parents.