RELEASE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT PROTOCOLS

Parents, guardians, and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the educational records of their students. These records include the evaluation reports and assessment protocols which are in the possession of the school district.

"Inspect and review" allows an individual to see records and, if desired, to make notes, in the presence of a school employee. It does not mean that photocopies or other reproductions may be made of all records. The right to copy assessment protocols is limited by copyright laws and publishers' requirements.

It is the policy of MSAD #59 to not permit the copying of assessment protocols. This conforms with the requirements of the majority of publishers. This conforms with the requirements of the majority of publishers and protects the District from legal action regarding copyright infringement. The District will make records available for qualified individuals to inspect and review. The District will also provide explanations and interpretations of assessments when such are requested. Only when it can be determined that an individual publisher allows the copying of its protocols, will the district make the copy available.

With parental consent, the District may release protocols to a student's outside psychologist or licensed mental health provider if he or she gives written assurances to protect copyright requirements in relation to that protocol and to follow American Psychological Association protocols.

Maine Special Education Regulations 15.3 CFR34§300.562 American Psychological Association Ethics Principle 9.04

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