ADE MENU OF ASSESSMENTS OPTIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STATE TESTING IN SY 2018-19

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WHAT IS THE MENU OF ASSESSMENTS?

 Allows schools/districts to administer an ADE approved assessment to all students in lieu of AzMERIT and AIMS Science

SY 2018-19: option for High School only

- SY 2019-20: option for Elementary, Middle, and High Schools
- Schools/Districts that do not opt from the Menu of Assessments are required to administer AzMERIT and AIMS Science
- Schools/Districts must submit notification to SBE and ADE by July 1, 2018



ASSESSMENTS ON THE MENU

ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 2/26/2018

- ACT (excluding writing)
- SAT
- Advanced Placement
- International Baccalaureate
- Cambridge International Exam
- Grand Canyon Diploma

- The state directed additional funding to reimburse schools in SY 2018-19. The exact amount of the reimbursement is unknown at this point.
- The goal is for state funding to be in place for SY 2019-2020.



TUSD OPTION '1' ACT: GRADE 11 ONLY

- ACT takes about 3 ¹/₂ hours to complete with 4 subtests including English, Reading, Math, and Science.
- The ACT option reduces the number of tests from 7** to 1
- TUSD juniors already take the ACT, funded 70% by Helios Foundation through 2018-19
- Uncertain if or how much the state will reimburse for ACT costs in 2018-19
- Provides accountability to the state from 11th grade only each year
- When surveyed, TUSD high school principals preferred the ACT option
- ACT serves as a college entrance exam



TUSD OPTION '2' AZMERIT (GR. 9, 10, 11) AND AIMS SCIENCE (GR. 9 OR 10)

AzMERIT (5 tests) takes about 7 ½ hours to complete

AIMS Science takes about 2 hours to complete

 Provides accountability data to the state for ELA grades 9 – 11, Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2.

Provides data to model growth longitudinally

State will pay full cost of AzMERIT in 2018-19

AzMERIT is aligned to the Arizona standards



FUNDING FOR STATE ASSESSMENTS BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

#15-741 Assessment of Pupils

- 2. Adopt and implement a statewide assessment to measure pupil achievement of the state board adopted academic standards in reading, writing and mathematics in at least four grades designated by the board.
- 6. Include within its budget all costs pertaining to the tests prescribed in this article. If sufficient monies are appropriated, the state board may provide achievement test services to school districts that request assistance in testing pupils in grades additional to those required by this section



AZMERIT SCORES COMPARED TO ACT SCORES

- SY 2015-16 Matched Cohort of 11th Grade Students for AzMERIT and ACT
- 'Proficiency' for ACT was determined by using the ADE CCRI criteria for entry into Junior College: English =>18, Reading => 21, and Math => 22

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Matched Comparison of Percent Proficienc between AzMERIT and ACT 2015-16	

	ACT English AzM ELA N = 2340	ACT Reading AzM ELA _{N=2340}	ACT Math AzM Alg 2 _{N=1645}
AzMERIT	30%	30%	8%
ACT	41%	30%	7%

