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§ 200.3 LOCALLY SELECTED, NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC ASSESSMENTS

IN GENERAL

- States determine whether to offer this new flexibility.
- If a State allows it, an LEA may apply to the State to administer one nationally recognized high school assessment **across the district** in lieu of the statewide assessment in high school.
 - This allows for direct comparisons across schools within a district.
 - It also ensures that the same high expectations apply to all students over time, such that students of all ability levels within a district take the same assessment, so that all students are prepared for college and careers by high school graduation.



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DEFINITION

“Nationally recognized high school academic assessment” means an assessment of high school students’ knowledge and skills that is administered in multiple States and is recognized by institutions of higher education in those or other States for the purposes of entrance or placement into courses in postsecondary education or training programs.



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STATE ROLE

If choosing to accept LEA requests under this flexibility, a State:

- Develops technical criteria and reviews an LEA application, including evidence related to the technical criteria.
- If the LEA proposal meets the State's criteria, the State submits the technical evidence to ED for assessment peer review.
- If the proposed assessment meets ED assessment peer review requirements in addition to the State requirements, the State may approve the LEA request.



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PARENTAL NOTIFICATION

An LEA must:

- Before requesting approval:
 - Notify all parents that the LEA intends to make a request to use a locally selected, nationally recognized high school academic assessment.
 - Provide parents the opportunity to offer meaningful input.
 - Explain any impact on the instructional program in the LEA.
- Upon approval, notify all parents of high school students it serves of the assessment the LEA will use.
- In each subsequent year, notify all parents of high school students it serves of the assessment the LEA will use.



RESOURCES FROM CCSO

- **An Implementation Framework for the Locally-Selected, Nationally-Recognized High School Assessment Provision of the Every Student Succeeds Act:** <https://ccsso.org/resource-library/implementation-framework-locally-selected-nationally-recognized-high-school-0>
- **An Implementation Framework for the Locally-Selected, Nationally-Recognized High School Assessment Provision of the Every Student Succeeds Act Executive Summary:** <https://ccsso.org/resource-library/implementation-framework-locally-selected-nationally-recognized-high-school>
- **Implementing the Locally-Selected, Nationally-Recognized High School Assessment Provision of the Every Student Succeeds Act: Key Questions and Considerations:** <https://ccsso.org/resource-library/implementing-locally-selected-nationally-recognized-high-school-assessment>

