

CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
San Juan Capistrano, California

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-41
RESOLUTION TO IMPLEMENT LOCAL ASSESSMENTS IN LIEU OF THE CAASPP
EXCEPT FOR GRADE ELEVEN

WHEREAS, the District navigates the ever-changing guidelines and rules for reopening schools, the District is also preparing for the realities of State Testing. Ultimately, it is the State's guidance that Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must follow when it comes to administering state assessments; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) formally approved limited relief from certain federal testing, accountability, and reporting requirements that California requested in the template waiver for the 2020-2021 school year; and

WHEREAS, the waiver allows districts to implement the most viable option for assessment in our local context assessments must be:

- Aligned with California Common Core State Standards for ELA and mathematics;
- Available to assess students in grades three through eight and grade eleven;
- Uniformly administered across a grade span, school, or district; and
- Provide results that can be reported to parents/guardians, educators about individual students, and to the public by school and by district and are disaggregated by student group; and

WHEREAS, given the challenges of administering a lengthy state assessment, the limited time we have with students before the end of the year, and wanting to ensure we focus on supporting staff and students with the full return to in-person learning, we will be administering local assessments rather than the CAASPP, except in 11th grade;

WHEREAS, the Capistrano Unified Educators Association (CUEA) and school site principals are in support of the following testing plan; and

WHEREAS, the additional funding needed to provide the local assessment option will not exceed \$40,000 for costs for Grades 6-8 iReady Reading and Math licensing and training for middle school teachers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, the District will implement assessments as follows:

- Grades 3 - 5: Students will complete iReady Reading and Math diagnostics tests;
- Grades 6 - 8: Students will complete iReady Reading and Math diagnostic tests;
- Grade 11: Students will complete the CAASPP assessments in English Language Arts and Math;
- The CAA will be provided for those students with disabilities per the student IEP or for those enrolled in District modified programs and curriculum;

- The District will not be administering the California Science Test for grades 5, 8, 11 or 12 due to the same constraints that we have with the CAASPP assessment.
- The District will implement local assessments in lieu of the CAASPP except for grade eleven.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Capistrano Unified School District Board of Trustees this day April 21, 2021.

AYES: (7)
NOES (0)
ABSENT (0)
ABSTAIN (0)

I, Kirsten M. Vital Brulte, Secretary of the Capistrano Unified School District Board of Trustees, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board at the meeting on the 21st day of April, 2021, by a roll call vote.



Gila Jones
Clerk of the Board of Trustees



Kirsten M. Vital Brulte
Superintendent
Secretary of the Board of Trustees