

Criteria Checklist for Assessing Students with Disabilities on Alternate Assessments

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State Testing Number:

The OAAP Portfolio Assessment is intended for a very small population of students with the **most significant cognitive disabilities**. Due to the severity of the cognitive disabilities of this population of students, alternate achievement of the content standards is required in daily instruction as well as statewide assessment and the performance expectations aligned with the statewide general assessment are not appropriate even with the accommodations. Assessment decisions are made on an annual basis by the IEP team and students must meet certain criteria to be eligible for an alternate assessment. **Students who do not meet the eligibility criteria below SHOULD NOT take the alternate assessment.**

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA CHECKLIST	Yes	No
Does the student have a significant intellectual disabilities AND significant adaptive behavior deficits?		
Does the student's IEP require alternate achievement standards in ALL content areas?		
Does the IEP team feel extensive family/community support will be a lifelong requirement , regardless of modifications, accommodations or adaptations implemented in the student's program?		
Does the student require intensive and extensive direct instruction in multiple settings to acquire, maintain, generalize, and demonstrate knowledge of skills?		
The decision to place the student on an alternate assessment is based on the student's disability and NOT on excessive absences, language, social, cultural, or economic differences, OR administration reasons such as the student is expected to perform poorly on the regular assessment, the student displays disruptive behaviors, or the student experiences emotional distress during testing.		

If the answer to ANY of the questions above is "NO", the student must participate in the regular assessment with or without accommodations. If ALL of the answers to the questions above are "YES", the student is eligible to participate in an alternate assessment.