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Guidelines for Independent Evaluations
Johnston County Public Schools
AIG Program

All independent evaluations should be administered by a licensed psychologist, not affiliated with Johnston County Public Schools. The most current, up-to-date norms should be used in scoring all tests. Please contact the office of advanced learning or the school before having any testing done with your child.

When seeking an independent evaluation to help determine eligibility of AIG services, the following guidelines should be followed:

- The most recent version of the standardized test must be used.
- A test may not be repeated within one year for the score to be used for AIG identification.
- Acceptable standardized intelligence/ability tests include the latest of The Wechsler Individual Intelligence Test (WISC and the Stanford-Binet Intelligence Test).
- Acceptable standardized achievement tests include the Wechsler Individual Achievement Test (WIAT) and the Woodcock-Johnson Tests of Achievement (for identification only).
- *Woodcock-Johnson Tests of Achievement is not accepted for Subject or Grade Acceleration.*

When the WISC is administered:

- The Full Scale score is used in making eligibility decisions.
- The subtest profile or each subtest score should be included in the report in addition to the IQ scores and percentiles.
- Calculation of a GAI can be submitted for review.

When the Stanford-Binet is administered:

- All subtests appropriate to the student's entry level must be administered.
- Area Standard Age Scores cannot be used for eligibility decisions.
- The Test Composite is the score used in making eligibility decisions. Partial composites are not acceptable.

When the Wechsler Individual Achievement Tests are administered:

- **Reading:** (Reading Comprehension and Written Expression Composites must be presented.)
 - Reading Comprehension and Oral Reading Fluency will yield a Reading Comprehension and Fluency Composite score.**AND**
 - Spelling, Sentence Completion and Essay Composition will yield a Written Expression Composite score (depends on student grade)
- **Math:** Math Problem Solving and Numerical Operations will yield a Mathematics Composite score.

If the Woodcock Johnson is used as the achievement measure, the subtests must yield evidence of higher level thinking in reading comprehension and mathematics problem solving. (Accepted only for AIG identification)