

Exemption from High School Assessments for Chartered Nonpublic High Schools for 2018-2019

With the passage of House Bill 21, certain chartered nonpublic high schools in Ohio are exempt from having to administer the ACT or SAT, end-of-course examinations and alternative assessments¹.

To receive the exemption from testing, a chartered nonpublic high school must meet the following requirements:

- Have an enrollment of 95 percent or greater of students with identified disabilities or students diagnosed with conditions that impair their academic performance;
- Solely serve a student population of students described above for at least 10 years;
- Provide the Ohio Department of Education with no less than five years of test results that can be used for accountability purposes; and
- A student's eligibility for graduation is based on the standards of the school's accrediting body.

Schools are asked to submit the results from the administration of nationally normed standardized tests for the five most recent school years. Each school must submit reports supplied by the test vendor that include the data from administration of English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies assessments disaggregated by test and grade level. Schools also must submit a student growth summary supplied by the test vendor that includes results from reading or mathematics assessments or both. No individual student data will be accepted.

Because a school is required to submit test results from the most recent five years, the school must submit a request and accompanying data each year it wants an exemption.

An exemption applies schoolwide. Each student in the school is excused from taking the ACT or SAT, end-of-course exams and alternative assessments.

Schools planning to exercise this exemption for the 2018-2019 school year must complete the attached request form and submit it along with test data to the Office of Nonpublic School Options no later than Nov. 30, 2018.

Completed forms and test data can be emailed to Chartered.Nonpublic.Schools@education.ohio.gov. Please include the phrase 'testing exemption' in your subject line.

See Ohio Revised Code [3301.0711\(L\)\(4\)](#) and [3313.612](#).

¹ Approved alternative assessments for graduation for chartered nonpublic schools may be found on the [Department's website](#).



Request for Exemption from High School Assessments for Chartered Nonpublic Schools for 2018-2019

Name of School: _____ School's IRN: _____

School's Address: _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Grade Levels Enrolled: _____

Name of Principal: _____

School Verification

I, the representative of the above named chartered nonpublic school, verify the school meets the requirements detailed in [Ohio Revised Code 3301.0711\(L\)\(4\)](#) and [3313.612](#) and is eligible to receive the exemption from high school testing. I understand and agree to comply with all applicable requirements.

Principal's Signature _____

Date _____