# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §18-2-5E

**§18-2-5e. Higher education participation in development and use of public education assessments.**

(a) It is the duty of the state board to consult with the duly selected representatives of public higher education appointed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and to make full use of their expertise when developing assessment instruments to be administered in the public schools. Among other things, the higher education representatives shall assist the state board in assuring that assessment instruments provide meaningful data to be used by higher education pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(b) The chancellor of the Higher Education Policy Commission shall appoint appropriate representatives from the system of public higher education to participate in the development of any assessment instruments required by rules of the state board to be administered in grades nine through twelve of the public schools of this state. It is the responsibility of these higher education representatives to assist the state board in developing assessments that test the knowledge and skills needed for success in postsecondary education.

(c) Not later than the school year beginning in two thousand five, the Higher Education Policy Commission shall require that each institution's compact, as set forth in section two, article one-b, chapter eighteen-b of this code, includes provisions for incorporating the data generated by public education assessments into their decision making processes. The use of the data may include, but is not limited to, consideration as a factor in admission to postsecondary education, college placement, or determinations of necessity for remedial course work.

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