158.6458 Plan for implementation of state assessment and accountability system -- Report.

The Department of Education shall develop a plan for implementing the state assessment and accountability system created under KRS 158.6453 and 158.6455 and shall report quarterly to the Interim Joint Committee on Education on its progress in the following areas:

(1) Establishing a consistent structure of test components, grade-level testing distribution, and test administration procedures;

(2) Beginning a new cycle of equating procedures for which their adequacy and precision can be tested rigorously and conducting appropriate equating analyses to accommodate the new accountability system;

(3) Publishing more complete and informative guides for interpreting school accountability changes;

(4) Reviewing school accountability classifications to assure their construct validity in all cases where they are applied;

(5) Maintaining and strengthening the assessment of schools' program reviews;

(6) Developing and implementing a validity research plan as required under KRS 158.6453;

(7) Establishing additional routine audits of key processes in the assessment and accountability program;

(8) Maintaining and cataloging a library of technical documents related to the assessment and accountability program for internal and external review purposes. In addition, the department shall produce an annual technical report for audiences that include educators, testing coordinators, parents, and legislators; and

(9) Maintaining a vigorous ongoing program of research and documentation of the effects of the assessment and accountability system on Kentucky schools.

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