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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## INFORMATION Alaska Measures of Progress (AMP) Assessment

Soldotna, April 2, 2015—The annual student assessment required by state law to meet federal requirements takes place for our students in grades 3 through 10 between March 30 and May 1, 2015. In 2015, the Alaska Measures of Progress (AMP) assessment replaced the Standards Based Assessment (SBA). With AMP, students will take two tests—English language arts and math--instead of three, with fewer questions overall.\*

Several questions have been asked about the type of data and personal information that is collected in the AMP assessment—it is the same as has been collected by SBAs and other state assessments since 2005. To note:

- "Basic student information and student test scores are collected. Basic student information includes
  the student's name, Alaska student ID number, and specific demographic information. EED does not
  collect sensitive information such as physical addresses, mailing addresses, or Social Security
  numbers."\*
- "No data about individual students is ever given to the federal government. No data is sold to companies."\*
- "Individual student test data is provided to the student's school district to inform instruction. Only authorized school district staff that have a legitimate educational interest (such as the student's teacher or principal) may see a student's data."\*
- All data is protected by the <u>Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)</u>, the federal law
  protecting the privacy of student education records, and that governs student data and what can be
  collected and reported.

Please contact your school principal with any questions or concerns about the AMP assessment.

\*LINKS from the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development

EED: FAQs about Student Assessment Data

EED: For Parents: Why We Test

EED: 10 Benefits of New Assessment

**EED: AMP Resources** 

EED: Requirement to Test Students on Statewide Assessments

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