

Williamson County Board of Education

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MIDDLE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

1 One of the roles of the middle schools program is to help prepare students for the expectations of
2 high school, as well as those mandated by the state of Tennessee. It is also the goal of the
3 professional educators at the middle schools to ascertain the comprehensive learning that takes
4 place in grades 6-8. To accomplish all of these objectives, appropriate written examinations shall
5 be developed and given to middle school students within the following guidelines:
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- 7 1. For students enrolled in courses with state TCAP assessments, including high school End
8 of Course (EOC) exams, or district-developed Common Comprehensive Examinations, the
9 TCAP assessments or CCEs will serve as the final exam.
- 10 2. For 6th grade students, no comprehensive examinations will be given except for those
11 students enrolled in courses with state TCAP assessments.
- 12 3. For 7th grade students, mid-term and final examinations may be at the discretion of the
13 individual building-level team except for those students enrolled in courses with either state
14 TCAP assessments or district-developed Common Comprehensive Examinations (CCEs).
- 15 4. For 8th grade students, mid-term and final examinations will be given in all core academic
16 areas and will be given to those students enrolled in courses that have either state TCAP
17 assessments or district-developed CCEs. In all other courses (band, chorus, art, family and
18 consumer science, computer, vocational – technology, general music), mid-term and/or final
19 examinations may be given at building level discretion.
- 20 5. Examinations may be in the form of written tests, student projects, portfolio, or other
21 assessment measures as established by the professional educators.
- 22 6. Grades will incorporate TCAP assessments results at the minimum weight allowed by
23 Tennessee law (for TCAP assessments in grades 3 through 8) or the Tennessee State
24 Board of Education (for high school TCAP assessments). All other mid-term and final exam
25 results will be incorporated into student grades at the same weight as TCAP assessments
26 results.
- 27 7. Any student having not attempted a required semester or final exam for a high school
28 course will receive a score of “incomplete” until an attempt has been made. If the student
29 does not attempt the exam by the end of the following semester (including the End of
30 Course Examinations), the exam grade will be calculated as a zero.
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