State Board of Education Rule 160-3-1-.07 Testing Programs – Student Assessments was created to establish requirements for administering statewide assessments pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-2-281.

The current proposed rule:

- Amends the title of definition (1)(a) from “Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State to State for English Language Learners (ACCESS for ELLs)” to “ACCESS for ELLs”;
- Amends the opening paragraph in section (2) to clarify that the Georgia Alternate Assessment shall apply to students beginning in grade 3 instead of the grade K;
- Removes the requirement in (2)(f) for a Georgia Milestones End-of Grade assessment in Social Studies at grade 5;
- Removes all references in (2)(j) 1. and (2)(j)2. of “Ninth Grade Literature and Composition;”
- Amends (2)(j)1. And (2)(j)2. to remove the EOC exemption for “American Literature and Composition” beginning with the 2021-2022 school year;
- Amends (3)(a)8.(ii)(I) by changing “Office of Student Achievement (OSA)” to “Governor’s Office of Student Achievement (GOSA)”;
- Deletes the current language in (4)(j).