

Assessment, Evaluation, and Communication

Assessment, evaluation and communication of student achievement and growth are integral parts of schooling. Each part of the process should be a positive experience for students and promote growth. Practices should be carried out in such a way that they support continuous learning and development and should be congruent with research-based principles.

Similarly, Mater Boni Consilii Academy (MBCA) is committed to ensuring the best education possible for all students supported by a comprehensive approach to student evaluation. Through achievement tests and diploma examinations, MBCA's Curriculum Advisors provide support for student evaluation. These evaluation instruments complement the on-going evaluation of student achievement by teachers, who assess results in a variety of ways to maintain and further improve the quality of education provided to students.

Definitions

In this procedure,

- 1) "assessment" means any systematic basis for making inferences about characteristics of people, usually based on various sources of evidence.
- 2) "evaluation" means a judgment regarding the quality, value, or worth of a response, product, or performance based upon established criteria. Evaluations are usually based on multiple sources of information.
- 3) "communication" means the process by which students and parents are kept informed about the students' achievement and growth.

Procedures

- 1) Assessment, evaluation and communication of student growth are based on the curriculum and are in line with the school's philosophy and programming principles.
- 2) Information about methods of assessment and results of evaluation is available to students, parents, and the community.
- 3) Student growth is assessed, evaluated, and communicated for all outcomes.
- 4) Evaluation and communication of student growth are ongoing and are used to plan effective programming.
- 5) Student growth is demonstrated through a variety of performances evaluated by the teacher.
- 6) Student growth is enhanced when students participate in the assessment, evaluation, and communication process.

- 7) Student growth is enhanced when assessment, evaluation, and communication are viewed positively by the student.
- 8) Methods of communicating student growth vary depending on audience and purpose.
- 9) Methods of assessment and evaluation of student growth are developmentally appropriate and vary depending on student learning.