TESTING

WHEREAS, Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers is vitally interested in providing the atmosphere most conducive to learning in both home and school; and

WHEREAS, Testing has become an important tool for measuring skills needed or achieved, both through standardized tests and individually developed; tests; and

WHEREAS, The State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is providing tests for the first, fourth, sixth, ninth, and twelfth grades to monitor the learning of skills and provide information necessary to individualize instruction; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils urge local colleges and universities in their Education Curriculum to include a course in instruction on methods of preparing students for the taking of tests; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the local school districts should develop programs to train teachers to properly administer tests, thereby insuring a more accurate measurement of student achievement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That local school administrators should develop programs to inform parents as to when and why standardized tests are being given, thereby securing their aid in insuring the best possible test results; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers oppose the requirement of any minimum competency testing as a requirement for graduation.

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