

**CHAPTER 63. EDUCATIONAL TESTING AND  
REMEDIAL CENTERS**

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**Authority**

The provisions of this Chapter 63 issued under act of June 25, 1947 (P. L. 951, No. 401) (24 P. S. §§ 2731—2743) (Repealed), unless otherwise noted.

**Cross References**

This chapter cited in 55 Pa. Code § 3270.3a (relating to applicability—statement of policy); and 55 Pa. Code § 3280.3a (relating to applicability—statement of policy).

**GENERAL**

**§ 63.1. Scope.**

Testing and remedial centers governed by this chapter include a clinic, laboratory or similar agency, other than a day school, which engages in reading and psycho-educational testing and provides a prescriptive program of educational remediation for school age children. A center is not regulated by § 51.61 (relating to instructional day and school year). Testing and remedial centers may be licensed as one or both of the following:

- (1) *Reading center*—A center which may diagnose reading problems and prescribe remediation to school age students with reading deficiencies.
- (2) *Psycho-educational center*—A center which may conduct individual and group diagnostic studies to assess current functioning levels of school age students; identify strengths and weaknesses in learning; assess personality and social factors which affect learning and personal adjustment; and categorize school age students for whom special services or special education programs, or both, are needed.

**Authority**

The provisions of this § 63.1 amended under the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. §§ 6701—6721).

**Source**

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**§ 63.2. Center facilities.****(a) Indoor space.**

(1) For individual testing or instruction, there shall be a minimum of 36 square feet of floor space in rooms with a minimum height of 8-foot ceilings.

(2) For the remediation of small groups of elementary age students, there shall be a minimum of 25 square feet of floor space per student in rooms with a minimum height of 8-foot ceilings.

(3) For the remediation of small groups of secondary age students, there shall be a minimum of 15 square feet of floor space per student in rooms with a minimum height of 8-foot ceilings.

**(b) Restrooms.**

(1) There shall be separate restrooms for boys and girls.

(2) There shall be a minimum of one flush toilet and one washbowl for every 20 female students served at one time in the center facility.

(3) There shall be a minimum of one flush toilet and one washbowl for every 20 male students served at one time in the center facility.

**Authority**

The provisions of this § 63.2 amended under the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. §§ 6701—6721).

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**§ 63.3. Testing and instructional materials.**

Testing and instructional materials shall be appropriate for the age and categories of deficiencies of the students enrolled and shall be consistent with the best current educational theories and practices. These materials shall be used in concert with the philosophy and objectives of the educational testing and remedial center.

**Authority**

The provisions of this § 63.3 issued under the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. §§ 6701—6721).

**Source**

The provisions of this § 63.3 adopted August 19, 1988, effective August 20, 1988, 18 Pa.B. 3693.

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF****§ 63.11. Educational testing specialists.**

An educational testing specialist administers specialized reading and psycho-educational tests and prescribes programs of remediation for school age students.

(1) An educational testing specialist in a psycho-educational testing center shall meet one of the following requirements:

(i) Be a graduate of an approved college or university and hold a Pennsylvania professional school psychologist certificate.

(ii) Meet the standards established by the Board for a school psychologist which include the following:

(A) A master's degree in psychology with 40 credits of graduate course work in psychology.

(B) A core concentration of psychology work appropriate to professional work with school age children.

(C) Licensure from the State Board of Psychology as a psychologist.

(2) An educational testing specialist in a reading center shall be one of the following:

(i) A graduate of an approved college or university and hold a Pennsylvania professional reading specialist certificate.

(ii) A graduate of an approved college or university and shall submit documentary evidence of the successful completion of a minimum of 30 semester hours in reading, tests and measurements and related areas.

**Authority**

The provisions of this § 63.11 amended under the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. §§ 6701—6721).

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**Cross References**

This section cited in 22 Pa. Code § 63.13 (relating to directors).

**§ 63.12. Teachers.**

(a) To teach corrective, remedial or developmental reading in a reading center, a teacher shall be a graduate of an approved 4-year college or university with a Pennsylvania professional reading specialist certificate.

(b) To teach developmental reading and also provide instruction using a given prescription by a reading specialist as is needed for the remediation of mild reading deficiencies, a teacher shall be a graduate of an approved 4-year college or

university with a Pennsylvania professional or private academic school certificate in elementary education, English, communication or special education.

(c) To qualify to remediate students in a psycho-educational center, a teacher shall be a graduate of an approved college or university and hold a Pennsylvania teaching certificate in the subjects or grade level in which the remediation will be rendered. See §§ 53.21, 55.11, 57.11 and 59.11 (relating to teachers).

**Authority**

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**§ 63.13. Directors.**

Directors of educational testing centers shall meet the requirements of §§ 51.36 and 63.11 (relating to director; and educational testing specialists).

**Authority**

The provisions of this § 63.13 amended under the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. §§ 6701—6721).

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