

# Creating A Resource For State Assessment Test Security Policies and Procedures



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# Year One In SC Test Security

South Carolina Department of Education

Test Security Responsibilities

Guidelines for Handling Test Incidents

Procedures for Working With School Districts

New Job



SCDE Policies



Travel Authorizations

Multiple Approvals Needed

State Mandated Tests and Reporting

State Board Policies and Procedures for Testing

Laws & Regs



Need for Change

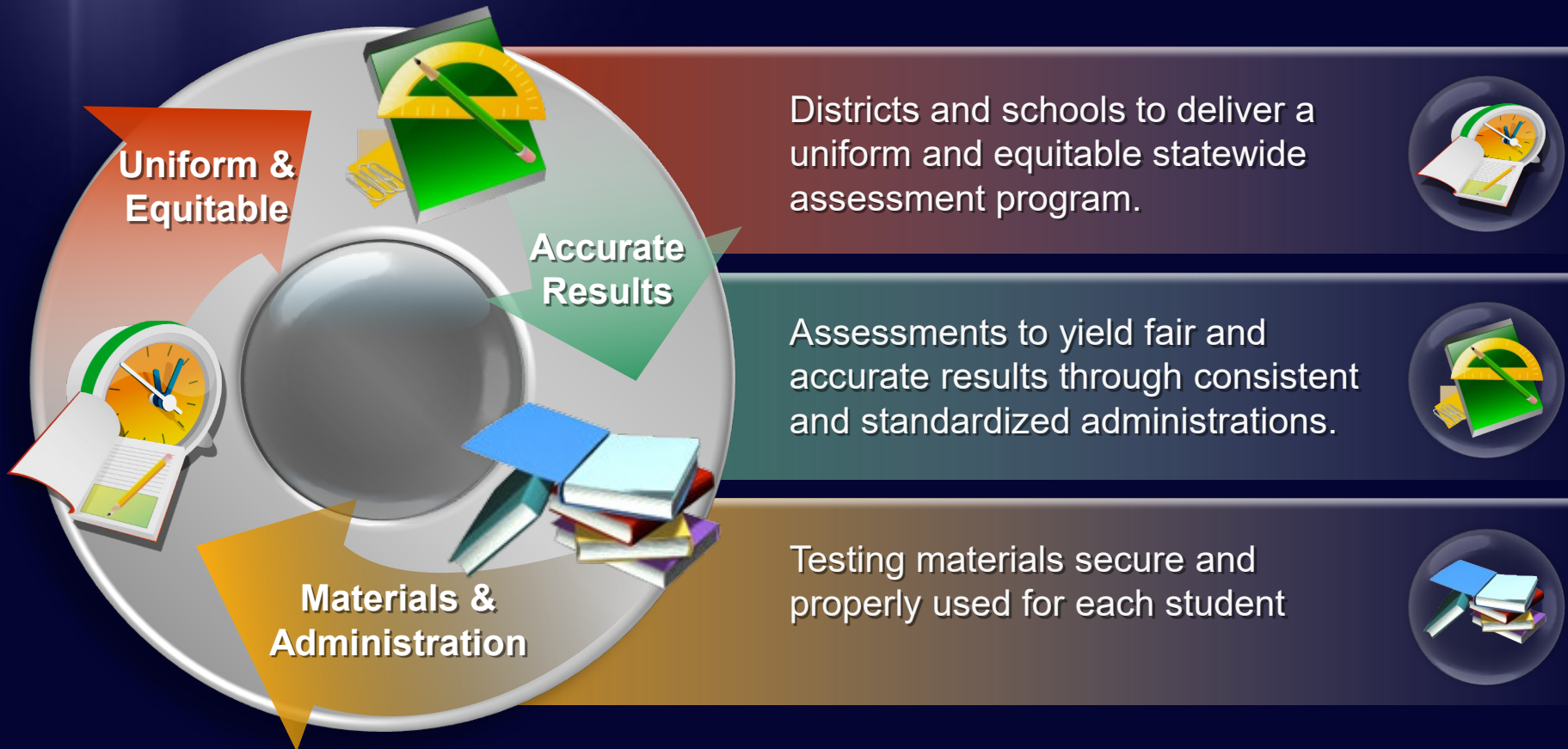


How to Change Philosophy of How We Have Always Done It

Improving Design and Flow of Violations Paperwork

# Test Security – Comprehensive System

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# Test Security – Laws & Regulations



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## State Laws

S.C. Code Ann. § 59-1-445 (2004) addresses violations of mandatory test security regulations and procedures, penalties, and investigations.



## Board Regulations

S.C. Code Ann. § 59-1-447 (2004) requires the State Board of Education to establish detailed mandatory test security procedures by regulation.

## South Carolina Test Security

### Uniform Testing



### Equitable



### Accurate Results



# Test Security – Consolidating Data

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## Consolidation of materials required multiple meetings and planning sessions across the Office of Assessment

### Finding All Information Needed

Collecting data from all programs, searching SCDE drives and folders, SCDE Test Vault, and consolidating the information into one location

### Programs And Vendors

Each program and vendor has its own Test Administration Manual and other documents to assist with testing and test security.

### Establishing Universal Procedures

Holding Test Security meetings with all program managers and administration directors to establish one set of procedures for all

# Test Security – Information Needed

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## State Laws

Description of state laws mandating testing and regulating their implementation and monitoring

## Regulations

State board regulations regarding testing, certification, and implementation of testing programs

## Policies

Department policies for implementing test programs at district and school levels

## Procedures

Training, Implementing, Test Security, Reporting, Technology, etc.

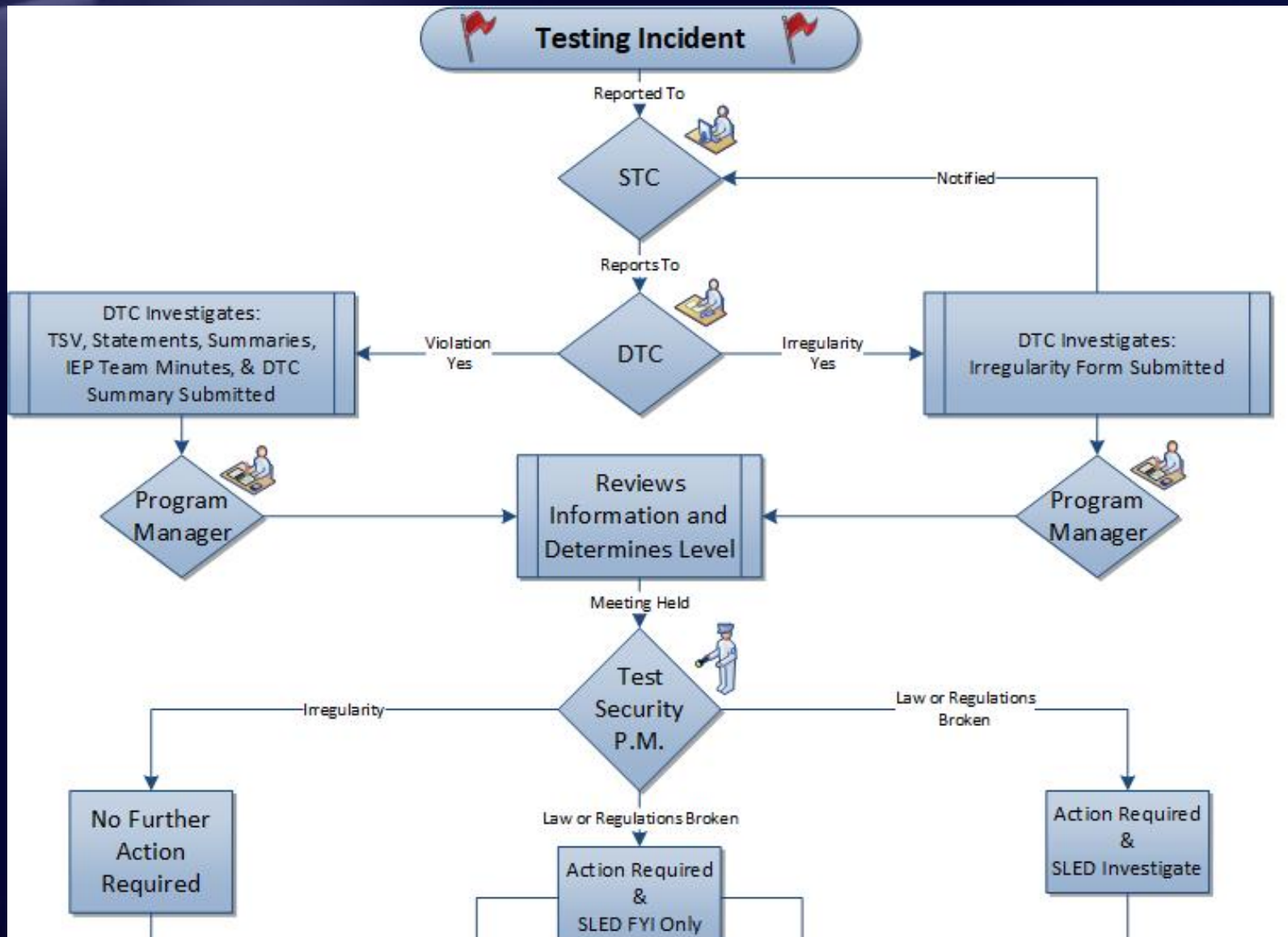
## Processes

Test Security Violations Reporting, Investigations, and Accommodations

**Our goal is to help improve practices and procedures in order to eliminate test security violations.**

# Reporting Irregularities & Violations

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# Test Security Violation Form

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## 2018-19 Test Security Violation (TSV) Action Form

DTCs must complete this form and submit to Christopher Seay via email at [cseay@ed.sc.gov](mailto:cseay@ed.sc.gov) or send via fax to 803-734-8886.

School District:  School:

DTC Name:

Form Completed By (Name):  Telephone:

Date Form Completed:

Testing Program:  Test Administration:

Test Subject:  Grade Level of Test:

Date(s) of Alleged Test Security Violation:

Violation Reported By:

Person(s) Involved in Violation  
(Enter first and last name)

Certification Number

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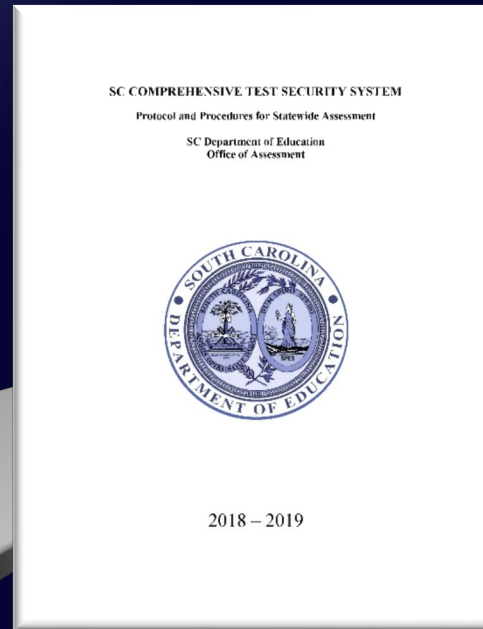
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# Test Security – Our Newest Document

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- Foundation of Test Security
- Training & Monitoring
- Documents, Forms, & Systems
- Detection of Testing Issues
- Investigations



## SC Comprehensive System

We now have the beginnings of a comprehensive test security document that will allow everyone to quickly access needed information in one location.

Documents,  
Forms, &  
Systems

Face to  
Face  
Training

Monitoring

# Test Security – Year Two in SC

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## Test Security Audit

Currently working with Intent to Sole Source to contract for Program Audit



## Test Irregularity & Violation Software

Project to create software to manage TSV's from initial report to SCDE response and Storage



## Enhanced DTC/STC Training Resources

In an effort to reduce numbers of TSVs in our state, SCDE is currently offering to train select districts and schools



## Increased Monitoring

In 2018, SCDE increased the number of testing programs monitoring by the Office of Assessment personnel



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# Questions

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