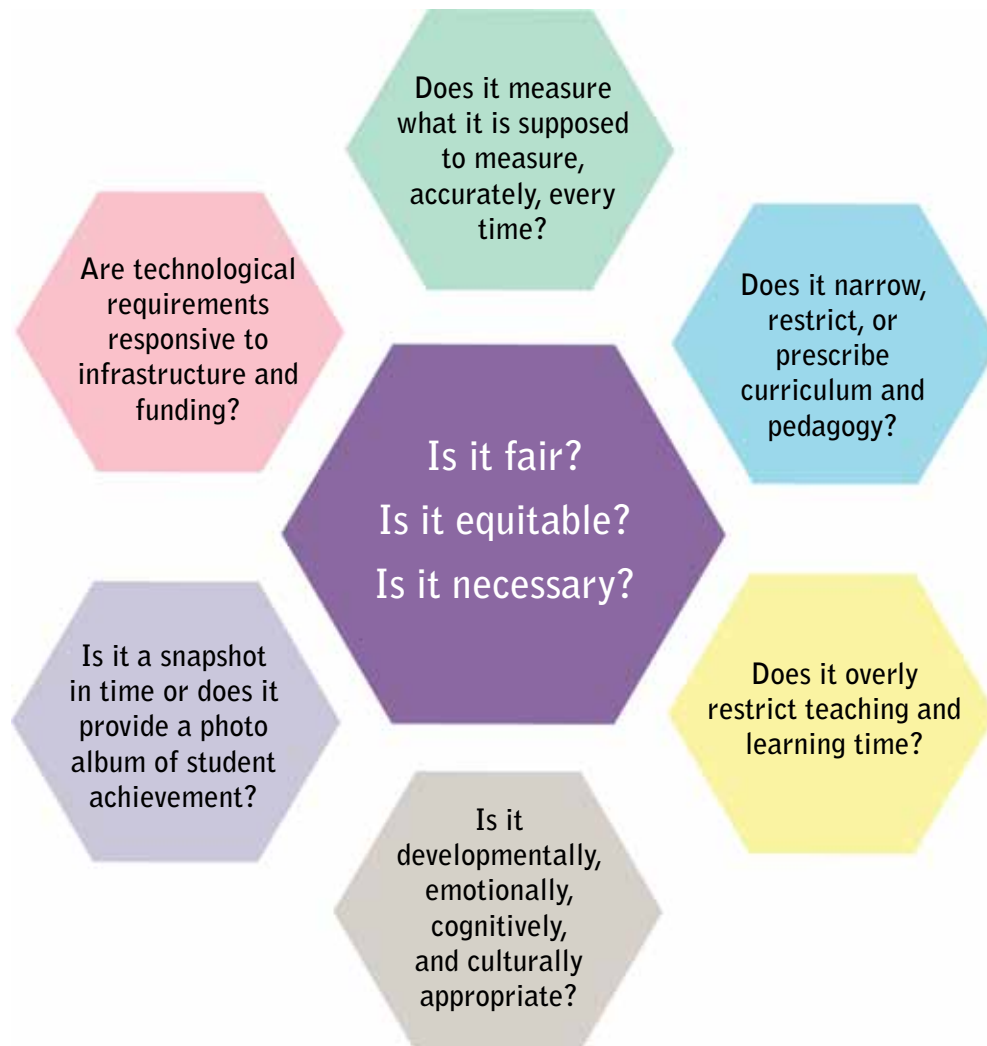


Standardized Assessment in Oklahoma: Essential Questions



Three Fundamental Understandings

- 1) Assessment must not do harm...to students, to teachers, to teaching, to learning, to schools, to education.
- 2) Not everything that matters can be measured and not everything measured always matters. Sometimes tiny gains in student abilities represent tremendous growth and achievement.
- 3) Assessment should be conducted for educational benefit; over-testing can make schools an unsafe place emotionally and academically for both students and teachers.

