Appendix C: Calculator Policies for AASCD

For all mathematics and science tests, calculators are allowable. However, there are individual items with instructions that specifically state a calculator is not permitted.

Schools should give students the opportunity to become familiar with the calculators they choose before testing. The Student Interface provides the basic Desmos four-function calculator. The Desmos calculator can be viewed <u>here</u> and in the <u>student practice test site</u>.

If districts or schools wish to make approved handheld calculators available, this is permissible for online, supplemental and paper testing. The district may provide a calculator or allow students to provide their own. If students use approved handheld calculators, test administrators must confirm that the memory is cleared before and after each testing session.

IMPORTANT: Test administrators cannot prompt a student to use a calculator while answering questions. This must be done by a student's own initiative. If a student needs assistance with accessing the calculator from within the Student Interface, the test administrator should assist the student with accessing the calculator from the toolbar.

Specific specialized external calculators (for example, large key and talking) are allowed for students who need them for accessibility, provided that the accommodation is specified in the student's approved Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan.

The information below provides examples of approved basic handheld calculators. For additional guidance, refer to the contacts on the inside front cover of this manual.

Examples of Approved Four-Function (Basic) Calculators

Examples of approved four-function calculators** include, but are not limited to, the following:

Casio	Sharp	Texas Instruments
SL-300SV	EL-S10B	TI-503SV
SL-450STP	EL-377MB	TI-1706SV
SL-450S	EL-R277B	TI-108
HS-4G	EL-243SB	TI-1795S∨
MS-80S	EL-240SB	
	EL-233SB	

**Four-function calculators absent from this list are not automatically prohibited.