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Subject: GCA testing

State Board of Education 333 Market St. Harrisburg, PA 17126

Dear Mr. Buckheit, and State Board of Education Members,

I am writing to express my opposition to the GCAs.

I am opposed because GCAs will not be provided in a format that meets the needs of diverse learners. We already test our students in math, reading and science through the state PSSA exams. I do not believe in double testing. Also many of students in our district are already reaching proficiency in reading, math, and science either through the PSSA exams or through a comprehensive, local assessment. To take time out of valuable class room time to prepare students to take these additional tests would be a waste.

Most sincerely,

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