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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 28, 2008 9:01 AM**To:** j buckheit@state.pa.usINDEPENDENT REGULATORY  
REVIEW COMMISSION**Subject:** re:gca added to graduation requirements

Dear Mr.Buckheit,

I do not support the addition of GCA assessments being added to the graduation requirements. These new tests are described in the press releases as a "battery of tests". The students are already tested with the PSSA's which the students spend countless hours in class and outside of class studying for. My daughter does not need additional "standardized tests" added to her already overloaded testing schedule. I want the teachers to teach and not to spend even more time cramming facts down the kids throats so they can pass yet another test. I vote no!!!!!! Sincerely, Beth Pedersen

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