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Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2008 3:02 PM

To: jbuckheit@state.pa.us

Subject: Mandatory Graduation tests

Dear Sir:

As a parent of two children in the West Chester Area School District, I would like to say that I am vehemently opposed to the proposed legislation requiring mandatory graduation testing for 12<sup>th</sup> graders. I do not see that these additional tests will benefit our students or better prepare them for post-secondary endeavors. This is an unnecessary drain of economic and staff resources. And is draining on the students. Please reconsider this proposal. As a taxpayer and parent, I feel that my money can be better spent on educational endeavors that would assist students long before they get to high school. Spend my money on pre-school education or full-day kindergarten education. Thank you.

Donna Ross WCASD parent

5/27/2008