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**To:** jbuckheit@state.pa.us**Subject:** NO Graduation Competency Assessments!INDEPENDENT REGULATORY  
REVIEW COMMISSION

Dear Sir,

I am a teacher from the Hanover Public School District. Here in our district we are having difficulties with meeting the expectations of the NCLB requirements. Students and teachers being demoralized by the inhumane PSSA. To add another assessment to already overburdened students is insanity. We are trying to educate and guide our future by making students meet criteria. Criteria with a specification for tolerance that doesn't consider human differences. Our students are individuals, not piece work that is required to meet "quality control" expectations. To add on another test to the graduation requirements is utter nonsense. *It is not needed. It is not needed. It is not needed.* Our students will continue to grow and learn. We have given them that. Let's give our young people the vote of confidence they deserve. Let them get on with their lives and see the world through their own eyes. This will soon be their world, they need to learn what is important on their own. Stop judging and start supporting our young people.

Thank you,  
Diane Ishman-Hunker  
Hanover, PA

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