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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 and because students in our district are already reaching proficiency in reading, math, and science either through the PSSA exams or through a comprehensive, local assessment. Valuable class time will have to be diverted to prepare students to take these additional tests, which are unnecessary and a waste of taxpayer dollars.

Most sincerely,

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