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Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2008 12:27 PM

To: jbuckheit@state.pa.us

Subject: Re: State exit tests

Dear Sir,

I have been teaching for twenty-five years. During which time, I have come across many students that can be very successful in very difficult classes, but have very difficult times taking midterm and final exams. To require all students to pass exit tests, would not show what a student can do on a daily basis. The anxiety related to such tests would intensify the problem that these students exhibit. I strongly feel that it is not in their best interest to promote such tests. As a teacher and as a voter in the state of Pennsylvania, I am apposed to exit tests being used to allow a student to graduate in the state of Pennsylvania.

#### Sincerely,

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