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Dear Mr. Buckheit,

I would like to say as a parent of 3 children in the PA public school system, I am opposed to a Graduation Competency Assessment for high school seniors. I believe these types of tests force teachers to teach to the test and as a result our children are short changed on their overall education. I also have a very bright child who earns good grades but does not perform well on standardized tests-a struggle when most assessments are based on PSSA scores and other standards based tests. There has to be other ways to asses the performance of our students without the stress of one more test the must pass to graduate.

Thank you,  
Tracy Thoman

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