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To whom it may concern,

As a parent and member of the South Fayette Elementary PTA, I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed Chapter 4 regulations which will change the state's high school graduation requirements.

Pennsylvania PTA supports high school curriculum that is rigorous and includes optional advance placement courses in the core subject areas, as well as preserves and improves quality education in all public schools for every child. Pennsylvania PTA does not support the new Chapter 4 proposal. Pennsylvania PTA does not support multiple mandated tests/assessments given within the same school year and does not support the idea of GCAs or standardized tests as a means to securing a diploma. Pennsylvania PTA believes that valid assessment does not consist of only a single test score, and that at no time should a single test be considered the sole determinant of a student's academic or work future.

Sincerely,



Deb Whitewood