

_____ Principal

_____ School

Dear _____:

Please be advised that my child, _____, will not be participating in CSAP testing during the current school year. I understand that the law provides the parent or guardian the right of choice regarding this standardized testing. In my opinion, such testing is not in the best interests of our children since it promotes competition instead of co-operation, and blunts, not stimulates, our children's curiosity. I understand, too, that the school will provide appropriate learning activities during testing times. I request that no record of CSAP testing be part of my child's permanent file.

Although it is unfortunate that the school will receive a zero for my child's untaken test, this is not reason enough to perpetuate the sterile classroom climate created by CSAP testing.

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date: _____.

cc district superintendent, classroom teacher.