



Dear _____,

As legal guardian of _____ in grade _____, this letter is to inform you that I am choosing to exempt him/her from the following state assessments for the school year.

Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS)

- English Language Arts (Grades 3 – 8)
- Mathematics (Grades 3 – 8)
- Science (Grades 5, 8, 11)
- Colorado PSAT (Grades 9, 10)
- Colorado SAT (Grade 11)

Colorado Alternate (CoAlt or DLM)

- English Language Arts (Grades 3 – 11)
- Mathematics (Grades 3 – 11)
- Science (Grades 5, 8, 11)

I understand that by exempting my child from these assessments, the school and I will not receive important information about my child these assessments provide: _____ (please initial)

- academic achievement data which indicates progress toward achieving career and college readiness.
- academic growth data which indicates progress through the academic standards.
- diagnostic information that will help teachers and schools make instructional and placement decisions as well as monitor progress.

I understand the data provided by the state assessments is important to the school and district. It provides the district with external measures which schools use to make instructional decisions and evaluate instructional programming. These data also impact the school and district performance framework on which state school accreditation is based. _____ (please initial)

In addition, I understand that the law requires state assessment results be included in my child's individual education record. By choosing to exempt out of the above assessment(s), I understand this exemption will be recorded in my child's educational record. _____ (please initial)

Sincerely,

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____