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To the Parent or Guardian Addressed:

In regard to your request that your child not take state tests, the Texas Education Agency disagrees.

Federal and state laws require that all eligible students participate in the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®). Although state law provides a parent with the right to temporarily remove the parent's child from a school activity if the parent has an objection to participation, it specifically does not allow a parent to do so to avoid a test/assessment. Since districts are responsible for ensuring that all eligible students are accounted for during testing, the district must submit the test for scoring.

For additional information, please refer to What Families Should Know About STAAR.