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2017 PARCC Testing Refusal Form

By refusing the PARCC exam I understand that I am taking away an opportunity for my child to demonstrate proficiency in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. I am also acknowledging that my child could potentially not meet the requirements necessary for high school graduation. The PARCC test provides actual test items after the test has been administered which is very useful to teachers in helping your student become proficient in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics.

- Students graduating as members of the classes of 2017 through 2019 can meet graduation assessment requirements through a variety of ways, including: (1) Achieving passing scores on certain PARCC assessments; (2) Achieving certain scores on alternative assessments such as the SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer; or (3) The submission by the district of a student portfolio through the Department's portfolio appeals process. (Special Education students whose Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) specify an alternative way to demonstrate proficiencies will continue to follow the graduation requirements set forth in their IEPs.)
- The Class of 2020 can demonstrate graduation assessment proficiency through the same alternative means as those in the Classes of 2017 through 2019, provided that students in the Class of 2020 take all PARCC assessments associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible. For the Class of 2021 and thereafter, students who have not demonstrated proficiency on the ELA 10 and Algebra 1 assessments, and have taken all PARCC assessments associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible, can demonstrate graduation assessment proficiency by meeting the criteria of the portfolio appeals process. Refusal for a Class of 2020 student is highly discouraged as it may impact the student's ability to graduate high school in the state of NJ.

I also understand that if my child does not demonstrate proficiency in either area by senior year they will be enrolled in an enrichment course to build their graduation portfolio. After reading the above statements I have decided to refuse my child, against the recommendation of the Buena Regional School District, from participating in the upcoming PARCC assessment. This form is valid for the 2017 PARCC test administration only.

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

School (circle one): High School Middle School Cleary Milanesi Collings Lakes

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Parent Email Address: _____ *An administrator may call/email

you to verify this decision. This form must be returned by March 1 so that your child can be removed from the testing room. Return forms to: Middle School Mrs. Albert, High School Mrs. DiGerolamo, Cleary Mrs. Huston, Collings lakes Mrs. Rovani and Milanesi Mrs. Pace.