

Dear Ms. Friel,

I would like to have the following item placed on the agenda for the School Committee on for March 6, 2014

To direct the School Committee to provide all parents/guardians of children scheduled to participate in the PARCC testing of the following information:

1. How much time is involved taking the tests, i.e. the amount of time lost to learning.
2. Their rights to opt out of the tests.
3. The fact that their children still have to take the MCAS
4. How the information will be used.
5. The fact that they will never see the results of the test.
6. That there is no consequence if they seek to opt out of the tests.
7. Have the school send home with each child a form that the parent /guardian can fill out and return so their child may opt out.
8. When the tests will take place.
9. A meeting to be scheduled at each school prior to the test to explain all of the above.
10. A call made through the Connected phone system that will provide the date of the tests and the parents/guardians rights to opt out.

Thank you for your time. Let me know if you require any further information.

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