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To Whom It May Concern:

In regard to testing our students, the Smarter Balanced Assessment seems to be the better option. Continuing to assess students using the CRT is redundant and inefficient, wasteful and non-informative. As a teacher, I have made great effort to instruct my students in strategies for critical thinking, creative problem solving, and comparative analysis. The CRT doesn't test these skills, and is just one more test that will take away from time in the classroom. The Smarter Balanced Assessment is more rigorous and in line with what skills we are developing in my classroom. Please consider this my full support to assess using Smarter Balanced testing and to NOT assess using the CRT.

Sincerely,

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