



**You CAN
Opt Your Child
Out of PARCC!**

**The Blaine PTA wants you to
know you have a choice!**

Get More Info:

<http://ilraiseyourhand.org/Park-the-PARCC-Toolkit>

<http://morethanascorichicago.org/>

PARCC Tests

Require 10 hours of class time, plus preparation.

Do not help guide your child's learning—last year's results arrived 5 months after the test.

Have not been properly field tested.

Are poorly designed and confusing (see practice tests at parcc.pearson.com).

Opt-Out Facts

MAP results, not PARCC, are used for selective enrollment, grade advancement and graduation.

Opting out of PARCC will not affect your child, Blaine or teacher evaluations.

No school has ever been denied federal or state funding due to students refusing to test.

Every student will be treated with respect whether they take the PARCC or not.

Blaine students who opt out will receive regular or enrichment classroom instruction.

Please submit a new letter each year.

Please fill out the information below and return to your homeroom teacher.

Dear Mr. LaRaviere,

My child will not participate in any administration of the PARCC tests for the 2015-16 school year. Please do not have my child sit for the exam, and do not present my child with the PARCC test or any materials related to the test. I expect that my child will instead be engaged in classroom instruction on PARCC testing days.

Please code my child's test as "Reason 15 for not testing" so this refusal will not count against the school for No Child Left Behind (NCLB) purposes.

I respectfully request that Blaine staff honor my request. Thank you,

Student Name: _____

Student Grade/Homeroom: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

I have respectfully chosen not to take the PARCC test. Please do not present me with any testing materials so that I may spend as much time as possible focused on learning. Thank you.

Student Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____