



Radnor Township School District

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Invest in Excellence

RESOLUTION

At a meeting on April 28, 2015 by a vote of 9 to 0 with 0 abstaining and 0 absent, as recorded in the minutes of the Board of Directors of the Radnor Township School District.

WHEREAS, the Radnor Township School District provides meaningful academic instruction and assessment that engages students as critical and creative thinkers and successfully prepares these students for college and careers; and

WHEREAS, the District continues to oppose the State mandate for all Pennsylvania schools to use Keystone Exams as graduation requirements; and

WHEREAS, PA House Bill 168 stipulates that neither the Department of Education nor the State Board of Education may establish any minimum level of student performance on a Keystone Exam or any other statewide assessment as a graduation requirement; and

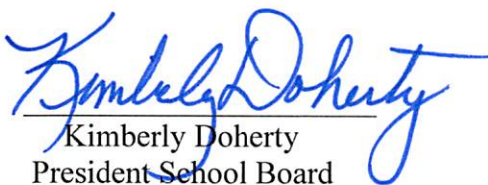
WHEREAS, the District supports the prohibition of the development of additional state exams; and

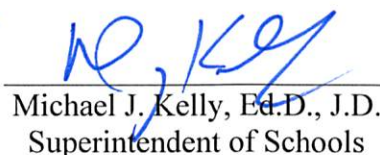
WHEREAS, the Keystone Exams graduation requirement causes an increase in remediation courses which has economic impact on districts operating under Act 1 fiscal constraints and on taxpayers across the Commonwealth, and these required expenditures have no proof of cost effectiveness and represent an unfunded mandate.

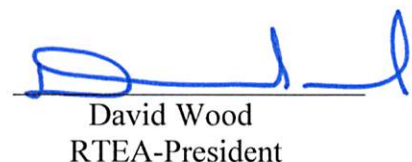
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors of the Radnor Township School District, with support of the District's administrative staff and the unanimous support from the Radnor Township Education Association (RTEA), urges all Representatives to support House Bill 168 and all Senators to support legislation that proposes to eliminate the Keystone Exam graduation requirement that may come to the floor of the Senate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors of the Radnor Township School District calls upon the Pennsylvania General Assembly to prohibit the development of additional state exams.

ATTEST:


Kimberly Doherty
President School Board


Michael J. Kelly, Ed.D., J.D.
Superintendent of Schools


David Wood
RTEA-President