

RADNOR TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION REGARDING PENNSYLVANIA GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

WHEREAS, the Radnor Township School District has been required by federal and state law and regulations to administer standardized testing, in which student performance on these tests is used to make major decisions affecting individual students, educators and schools; and

WHEREAS, it is widely recognized that standardized testing is only one measure of student learning; and

WHEREAS, the Radnor Township School District continues to oppose the State mandate that requires Keystone Exams, for all Pennsylvania public schools as graduation requirements; and

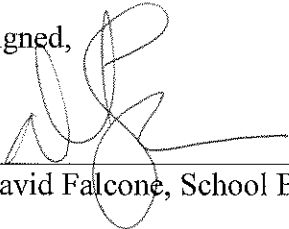
WHEREAS, the current moratorium on Keystone Exams as graduation requirements pertains only to the classes graduating prior to 2019 and does not exempt students in all subsequent graduating classes from the requirements of re-testing and remediation; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Education has made recommendations to the General Assembly that would create multiple paths for students to meet state graduation requirements, eliminate the required cycle of re-testing and remediation, and increase local control in determining whether or not a student is college or career ready prior to graduation but failed to recommend that the General Assembly remove the Keystone Exams.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of School Directors of the Radnor Township School District calls upon its local representatives, Senator Daylin Leach (Senate District 17), Representative Alex Charlton (House District 165), and Representative Greg Vitali (House District 166), to utilize the State implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to put forth bipartisan legislation to completely uncouple Keystone Algebra 1, Literature and Biology Exams from graduation requirements and further reduce the amount of required standardized testing.

Adopted this 20th day of December 2016.

Signed,



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David Falcone, School Board President



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Michelle Diekow, Board Secretary