

LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
505 S. Main  
Academic Division

New Mexico Statewide Assessment Parental Refusal Form

Federal and state laws require all students to participate in state accountability assessments (ESEA; HR1, Title 1, Part A, Subpart 1, Section 1111, (b), C and Section 22-2C-4 NMSA 1978). These laws do not offer an exemption or right of refusal to test. If, as a parent or guardian, you have concerns about the assessment program, please contact school administration or the District Testing Coordinator. This form applies to the current school year only.

If your child is unable to participate in state mandated assessments for medical reasons please complete the New Mexico Public Education Department's *Medical Exemption Form Requesting an Exemption from State Testing Due to a Medical Emergency*.

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Complete the following information. Please print clearly.	
Student Name	
Student ID Number	
Grade Level	
School Name	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Home Address	
Home/Cell Phone	

I am requesting for personal reasons that my child not participate in the following assessments that occur in the Las Cruces Public School district during the 2018-2019 school year.

- New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (SBA) Science
- New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (SBA) Spanish Reading
- New Mexico Standards-Based Transition Assessment of Mathematics and English Language Arts
- New Mexico Alternate Performance Assessment (NMAPA)
- Istation
- End of Course Exams (EOCs), if not used as the course final

I take full responsibility and understand that my decision not to allow my child to test may cause the following:

- Significantly limit the assessment information available to teachers and school administrators.
- Jeopardize the school's accountability rating because this rating is based in part on participation rates for testing.
- Jeopardize a teacher's evaluation rating because the assessment scores contribute to his/her evaluation.
- Parental refusal to allow a student to participate in the High School Graduation Assessments (HSGA) may keep him or her from receiving a NM Diploma of Excellence.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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School Principal/District Test Coordinator Signature

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Date