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Dear Parent or Guardian,

January 2022

Due to the COVID-19 health crisis, the New York State Department of Education (NYSED) has cancelled the January administration of the Regents Examinations. As a result, NYSED has modified the requirements for students to graduate, and your child has been exempted from the requirement to take those assessments in order to graduate.

As the parent or person in a parental relation of a student who has received an assessment exemption and is scheduled to graduate this year, this letter serves as our notification to you that you have the right to decline that exemption to the graduation requirements **if you do not wish for your child to earn a diploma in January 2022**. This right exists as there may be situations in which a student wishes to return to school, rather than receive an exemption and graduate, to finish his or her planned educational program and continue to receive educational services.

Please know that:

- your decision to decline the graduation assessment requirement exemption is **irrevocable**;
- your child **will not be eligible to graduate** until he or she meets all the graduation assessment requirements including those that were previously eligible for an exemption and the parent declined such exemption; and
- your child will remain eligible to receive a free public education until the end of the school year in which the child attains age 21 or earns a diploma, whichever shall occur first.

Enclosed is a form to submit if you want to decline the exemptions to graduate. This form may be submitted to your school by mail, email or text, and it (or a submission with substantially equivalent information) must be received prior to the conferral of the student's diploma. **If you wish for your child to graduate in January 2022, no further action is required. Please discard the attached form.**

If you have any questions about this form or where to send it, please contact your child's high school counselor.

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Sincerely,

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Regents Examination Exemption Declination

Students Name:	Return to: (School to insert mailing address, email address and contact)
Student Date of Birth	Name of High School Student Attends:
Parent or Legal Guardian:	Daytime Phone:
Mailing Address:	Email Address:

List examinations required for graduation for which the parent/legal guardian declines the exemption:

Examination 1:

Examination 5:

Examination 2:

Examination 6:

Examination 3:

Examination 7:

Examination 4:

Examination 8:

☐ **Unfinished Requirements for Career Development and Occupational Studies**

☐ **I decline all exemptions that my son/daughter is eligible to receive.**

As identified above, I am declining the exemptions to the requirements for graduation available in school year 2021-2022 as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak in New York State for my son/daughter,

Insert Student Name Above

I understand that this applies to all the Regents Examinations or their equivalents including unfinished requirements to earn the Career Development Commencement Credential or +1 Pathway, that my child was intending to take in January, June or August 2022 in a course for which my child has earned high school credit. By signing this form, I also understand that my child will remain eligible to receive a free public education until the end of the school year in which the child attains age 21, or until the child receives a high school diploma, whichever occurs first. In order to receive a diploma in the future, my child will no longer be eligible for such exemptions and must pass all applicable graduation assessment requirements.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Information on the NYS diploma requirements as a result of COVID-19 can be found on the [NYS COVID](#)