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Subject: Parent/Guardian Opt-Out Language - Update

District Assessment Coordinators:

Please note the updated Parent opt-out language.

Q.	When is parent/guardian opt-out allowed?
A.	When a parent or guardian requests that the student be excused from participating in the WSAS, this request must be honored at grades 4, 8, 9-11, per Wis. Stats. 118.30(2)(b)3. This request may come at any time during the testing window. All students excused by parent opt-out are marked as “not tested” students in school and district reporting determinations.
Q.	How does a parent/guardian request an opt-out for their student?
A.	A parent must submit a written request for student opt-out to the principal or the school board. Per Wis. Stats. 118.30(2)(b)3. , if the student is in grades 4, 8, and 9-11 the request must be granted. However, if the student is not in the above mentioned grade levels, the decision to grant the request is at the discretion of the school board.

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