As standardized testing is under way or about to begin in schools across California, many parents are reaching out to teachers with questions about these tests and asking if they can opt out of the testing for their child. California is one of handful of states that has a law allowing all parents to opt out of state-mandated standardized testing. At the same time there are also California regulations governing what educators can say to parents and families. CTA has put together a number of resources to help educators have these conversations.

**THIS IS A MUST READ**

**For Educators:**
School Employees’ Rights Regarding Opting Out of Testing

This document, drafted in part by CTA’s Legal Department, outlines your rights as it relates to talking to parents about opting out of tests for their children. It also covers a little background on the CAASPP system and shares CTA’s official positions on testing and opting out.

**For Parents**
You can Opt Out - Parents Know your Rights

Also available in Arabic | Armenian | Cambodian | Chinese | Hmong | Korean | Russian | Spanish | Thai | Vietnamese

Sample Parent Letter

It’s all available @ cta.org/optout