

**The Ranches Academy**  
**Parental Exclusion from State Assessments**

As a parent/guardian, I **do not** want my child to participate in the following assessments:

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student DOB** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WHO OPT OUT WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT**

The data obtained in these assessments are utilized by teachers and administrators to review student progress toward learning targets, plan instruction, provide teacher feedback, provide important achievement data to students and parents, and allow for public reporting about school quality.

- \_\_\_\_\_ SAGE (Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence)  
**English Language Arts/Literacy/Writing (3-6 grades)**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ SAGE (Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence)  
**Math(3-6 grades)**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ SAGE (Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence)  
**Science (4-6 grades)**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ SAGE Interim
  - \_\_\_\_\_ SAGE Formative
  - \_\_\_\_\_ DLM (Dynamic Learning Maps)  
**ELA & Math for students with significant cognitive disabilities**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ UAA (Utah Alternative Assessment)  
**Science for students with significant cognitive disabilities**
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\_\_\_\_\_ DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy) Grades K-6

\* The Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) are a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of early literacy skills from kindergarten through sixth grade. They are designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills. For more information, please visit <https://dibels.org/dibels.html>.

**DIBELS** is state mandated for Grades 1-3. The Ranches Academy has used the assessment since 2006 for all grades to assess reading abilities and place students in appropriate reading groups. This assessment is **NOT RELATED TO COMMON CORE** in any way.

I acknowledge that this signed form must be returned to the principal of my child’s school at least one day prior to the beginning of the assessment. This information will be kept at the child’s school.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name (please print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information (phone/email)** \_\_\_\_\_