

MCAS is the problem,
not the solution

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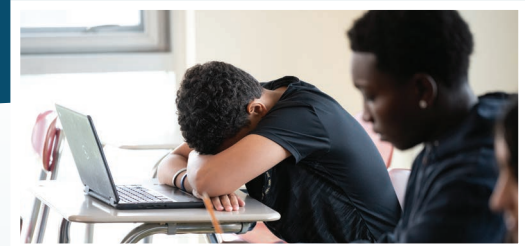
Q: WILL TAKING AWAY THE MCAS GRADUATION REQUIREMENT LOWER EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS?

A: NO. Massachusetts is home to some of the best public schools in the country. We shouldn't be relying on a **one-size-fits-all standardized test** to evaluate our students.



Q: DOES THE MCAS SHOW WHETHER A STUDENT IS READY TO GRADUATE?

A: NO. It evaluates who is a **better test taker**, not whether a student will be successful after high school. We should **trust parents and teachers** to know if a student is ready to graduate, not a standardized test.



Q: DOES THE MCAS PREPARE STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS?

A: NO. Right now, teachers are forced to **teach to the test**. Every child learns differently, and by replacing the MCAS requirement, we will **empower teachers** to consider individual needs and **teach real-life skills** like critical thinking and creativity.

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