RE: Secondary Math III Opt Out Alternatives

Dear Principal/Counselor: It is my request that my student ________________________________ not be enrolled in Secondary Math III for the upcoming year. Instead please register him/her for (circle one):

Math of Personal Finance or Computer Programming

It is my choice for my student to deviate from the rigorous “college ready” mathematics sequence prescribed by the Utah State Board of Education and the Washington County School District.

Not only will students who opt out of Secondary Math III miss important concepts, they will also miss the extra preparation for college and career readiness. One of the guiding forces behind the implementation of the new core was the need for students to be more prepared to enter college and careers after graduation. The content standards in conjunction with the practice standards were designed to prepare students for post high school opportunities. If students opt out of the series early, they may jeopardize their college and career readiness potential. In addition, I acknowledge that by making this course change request and opting out of the Secondary Math III requirement, my student may not be eligible for admissions to some colleges/universities, meet NCAA requirements, or be eligible for some scholarships.

I have read and understand the consequences of choosing for my student to opt out of Secondary Math III.

_______________________________________________________ _________________
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

R277-700-6.(7)(a) A student may opt out of Secondary Mathematics III if the student's parent submits a written request to the school.

(b) If a student's parent requests an opt out described in Subsection (6)(a), the student is required to complete a third math credit from the Board-approved mathematics list.