





Navigating the New York State Education Landscape


Know the Facts, Spread the Word


 This spring, students who do not OPT OUT will take the same flawed state assessments created by Pearson. Students will sit for 9 hours of testing & some special education students will be subjected to 18 hours of testing.

 Your district will NOT lose money if you have high OPT OUT numbers. Beware of empty threats. No school district has ever lost a single dollar due to OPT OUT.


 By law, 50% of Teacher Evaluations are STILL based on test scores. During the "moratorium" districts must use a different, often times additional test for teacher evaluations & test prep will continue.

 During the so called "moratorium", teachers can STILL be fired and denied tenure based on student test scores, just different tests.

 Student data privacy is STILL at risk. The NYS Dept of Education recently accepted a grant from the Gates Foundation to "launch, execute, & utilize implementation data collection at the state level".

 The CC standards, curriculum, and modules are still firmly in place. Promised action on CC changes are yet to be seen or even started.

 Impoverished school districts in Receivership will STILL be labeled failing and subject to take over by private entities based on state test scores.

 OPT OUT has been the ONLY action to garner the attention of policy and lawmakers. Opt Out must continue if we want REAL change.

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