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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