

Patti, Parent

The little video below that states "it's all for the kids" ...must have been written by someone without any kids or teaching experience. NOT ALL CHILDREN LEARN ALIKE and not all children can master these high standards (some of which are questionable at best) I am NOT suggesting tracking kids, but early on (I teach Pre-k) one can easily see the kids who are going to do just fine in a traditional setting, which ones will do okay in a modified setting and which ones are going to spend the next 12 years in misery. I have three children myself and two of them have been the ones in misery. Any idea how that plays out at home? Me trying to get them to do homework they can't/won't do for 12 years. Less than delightful.

There ARE schools that are doing a fantastic job achieving high results but are struggling because of the new standards. Two of my kids attended Rochester Prep (UnCommon Schools) and they are AMAZING. High expectations are fine, but there needs to be alternative ways to graduation. This one-size-fits-all does NOT fit all.