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"I believe the Common Core Learning Standards in and of themselves are good. The way that these standards were implemented and "integrated" into existing curriculum has been the challenge. We need to take a step back and find more ways to show the good that this brings. This is NOT just about changes to tests. This is about learning and greater understanding. We need to find a way to show how this greater understanding is benefiting us all - in the classroom, in college and in life! Let's find more ways to show the "application" of the standards.

Change is hard for all - especially when you are expected to make change while the bullet train is flying by. If we take time, we will build better buy in from all.

I help out with after school HW at the library weekly. Once I understand what the children are being shown to do in math - I do see how it helps create greater understanding. We need all to have that "aha moment". Building appreciation; showing how these standards help in the work place will increase buy in."