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"There is no place for the Common Core testing (CC) or Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) for the teachers in schools today. Neither of these devices educate children. The CC focuses on testing rather than learning and education. Learning and education is what a child needs to grow intellectually, not additional testing that has no bearing on their graduation. The APPR for the teachers is ridiculous. To base a teacher's expertise on the ability of a child or teenager to perform on a test which is not based on grade level appropriate material is ridiculous.

STEAM curricula is better for students than just the STEM programs currently forced to children. If anyone thinks they have not lived a better life because of the influence of the arts, they are ignorant of what life really is about.

Get your house in order. Provide intelligent curriculum and reviews. You will have a better teacher workforce and student body because of it all."