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"I'm actually pro testing and in favor of the common core curriculum recommendations. U.S.A. is falling behind in math proficiency and CC can change that. However, Implementation was rushed, teachers were put enormous pressure to perform, there was lack of test transparency, and tests might be too long for elementary grades. I'm afraid those mistakes might have caused permanent damage to the perception of parents toward CC. Those decisions cannot be unilateral, I hope going forward, NY state will hear the input of teachers, parents and educators to still aim for a higher curriculum level and more transparent testing like the SAT. Results should be public! Parents and students should be able to know and revise their answers to know where their deficiencies lie. Thank you!"