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Education of children should result from an active collaboration between parents and teachers. Any legal schemes that interfere with the development and strengthening of trust between students, parents, and teachers are insidious and destructive of the educational mission. The specter of students fearing to take standardized tests that might get their teachers fired is horrible. The Common Core and its related standardized testing schemes are clearly designed to demoralize students and set children up to fail. I can think of nothing that is more immoral. What's the difference between Common Core standardized testing and lining kids up in front of a firing squad? The mere fact that this question makes you think and ponder is proof that even the most rabid standardized testers should know in their hearts that the Common Core is criminally wrong, period. The Common Core should be replaced from the ground up with a love of learning based on trust and hope and aspirations of human betterment.