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"I have represented New York State through BOCES since 2011 regarding the roll out of Common Core Mathematics on Long Island. I have distributed Common Core information to 78 schools over that period of time. The promise of Common Core Mathematics delivering and demanding a new and higher level of thinking from students exists and is being practiced every day. When rolled out properly, with time, money and expertise invested the "modules" have also been proven to be an excellent curriculum choice. Every day that I work with teachers and administrators in this effort we see progress. I invite any one interested to walk with me into these schools and watch the CCLS being rolled out properly and successfully.

New York State has contaminated the CCLS math with issues not actually attached. APPR, assessments, teacher/parent relations and other issues are not part of math education.....they are instead distractors from the cause. If nothing else I would ask the commission to separate these issues and allow the "politics" to not out weigh the goals of CCLS mathematics."