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I would love to have given my testimony in person, but Albany seems to think NYS stops at Batavia and Binghamton. For the record, it doesn't!

I don't know what more I can add, that hasn't already been said for the past four years. Common Core State Standards are NOT higher standards! Quit pretending they are. They are most certainly meant to be CURRICULUM too. The tests are WORTHLESS shams for both the students & teachers. We don't want Common Core revamped, reformed, or rebranded, we want it gone. NOW! Like a broken record, we repeat and repeat the same things. So, instead of reiterating the same sentiments that have been echoed throughout the state, I have something to say directly to Gov. Cuomo, AND the Legislatures in Albany.

How dare you! How dare you, waste even more of our time and our money, with this farce of a task force! How dare you, insult our intelligence, by pretending you're listening to us! We aren't fooled by your latest pathetic attempt to pacify us. How dare you, NOT listen to us! How dare you, continue to allow the daily abuse of our children! How dare you, sleep at night, KNOWING, you allow this abuse to continue in our schools! How dare you, ruin their education! How dare you, ruin their precious and fleeting childhoods! How dare you, continue to chase our best teachers, out of our schools! How dare you, allow the Federal government to blackmail us with our money! How dare you, try to blackmail and hold hostage our schools with our money! How dare you, say you represent the people of this state! How dare you, ask for our support in the next election!

We aren't asking, we aren't begging, we are DEMANDING, Common Core and all its many tentacles, be removed from our schools; our state, NOW! We will NOT go quietly, submit, roll-over, comply, sit down, or shut-up until Common Core is GONE. Make no mistake about it, WE have no plans on backing down until it is!