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"I am against student testing to determine teacher success. My kids love school and the environment of learning. There are pressures on them from surrounding peers, future college choices and career paths. The last thing they need are more tests. You can walk into a classroom and in the first 5-10 minutes you will know if that teacher is effective and if the students are learning and engaged. An alternative assessment is not the most effective tool to gauge teacher performance. Not only is it not effective, it places further unnecessary stress on the students. I want my kids to continue to love school and learning and provide the teacher with more time in the school year to focus on fun and enriching activities rather than test prep. Thank you for hearing me!"