

Miriam Popp, Parent

"My child attended the Scarsdale schools through fifth grade. She was the first year of students subjected to age-inappropriate testing (read: 90 minute tests with no break - I took the state bar exam and I got longer breaks). She now attends an independent not-for profit school which accepts no public funds and hence does not teach to the test. The curriculum at her current school is probably pretty close to that of Scarsdale's just 3 years ago before teachers had their paychecks put on the line and began compromising the rich and demanding Scarsdale curriculum to teach to the test. The teachers are to be sympathized with because they are highly skilled professionals whose professional is being compromised because of a meaningless and ignorantly thought out testing system, and a Governor who is more concerned about his political future than the futures of millions of school children. Fortunately, Governor Cuomo's and the State Ed Department can no longer destroy my daughter's education, and hence her future. I only wish that private school education was available to every single child in New York."