

**Janet Root, Teacher, Lancaster High School**

The Common Core Learning Standards and ways of testing are not in the best interests of the students. We want to help create productive citizens. We want to create a learning environment that fosters critical thinking and a thirst for knowledge. Students need to take assessments, but should not be judged so harshly on one or two tests. Please take the students best interest into consideration and listen to stakeholders. Listen to the teachers, students and parents. Common Core is not working in its current state. Thank you.