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CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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COMMON CORE LEARNING STANDARDS STANDARDIZED TESTING DATA COLLECTION

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Common Core Learning Standards - Brief Overview

**More rigorous set of
national standards for
education**

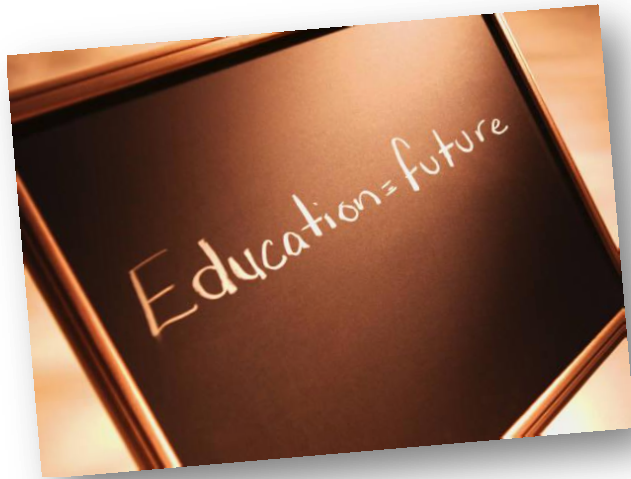


Those in Favor:

- **Agree that students need more rigor to be globally competitive**
- **Better prepares students for college and career**



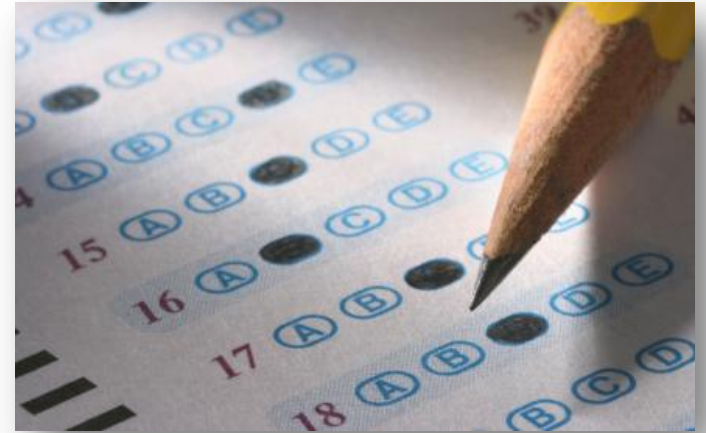
Those Against:



- **Feel that Federal government is controlling education**
- **Decisions about education are the purview of the states**
- **One size fits all does not work**

Standardized Testing: Brief Overview

- **Standardized testing is a way to provide accountability in education**
- **It brings transparency to the system**



Those in Favor

- **All students are tested on the same standards**
- **Results are reliable**



Those Against:



- **Too many tests too quickly without adequate instruction behind them**
- **Tests are written and controlled by corporations who profit from giving tests**

Data Collection: Brief Overview

New York State is using a third party vendor (inBloom) to collect student data and make it available to parents through a website called a “portal”.



Those in Favor



- **New York State has been collecting data for a long time**
- **System is as secure as any online bank and no student social security numbers or photos are being collected**

Those Against:

- **The third party vendor will sell student data to make a profit**
- **The third party vendor cannot guarantee security of student data**

