

Excessive standardized testing - compliments of the federal bipartisan 2001 No Child Left Behind law - has been draining our schools of instruction time, punishing our students, and blocking better alternative assessments. Oregon's unique 2015 Student Assessment Bill of Rights law gave parents and their children a way to protest over-testing. And let's be honest: It has moved the dial in our state toward a more balanced assessment system. This SB 602 bill will allow us to put standardized testing back in its place and enable us to pursue more formative assessments that actually inform teachers, principals, parents, and most of all, students. Now is the time to let families tell us what they want for their kids.