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As a parent with two children in elementary school, I fully support an audit of the standardized tests given. When my eldest was in kindergarten, I later learned that the district had given over 100 standardized assessments over the course of the year. At the time, he was also being evaluated for an IEP and he received additional testing since he was at a bilingual school.

Aside from the evaluation process, I was never informed about the number of tests being given and I only learned how many he took when a fellow parent informed me the following year. My local school district does not make testing information easily available on the district website, nor do they respect parent wishes when it comes to opting out of district tests. My hope is that this bill shines a light on district practices and makes them accountable to parents and the children they serve.