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Teachers know: A child is more than a test score

Teachers across the state are committed to high standards and accountability—and we know that a child is more than just a test score.

Student test scores have a place in teacher evaluation—however, the fairest, best approach to evaluating teachers should also include principal observation and a focus on the subject knowledge, creativity and expertise that bring learning to life.

Educators around the state have been hard at work with their local districts developing a system that focuses more on classroom learning and individual students' needs, and less on stressful standardized testing. Progress is being made. And we need to get it right.

Join us as we work together to create a forward-looking system that's developed locally rather than by Albany bureaucrats. Let's advance excellent teaching in our state so all our students are prepared for success in school and life.

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