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**Please! Do not add these Graduation Competancy Exams!**

These 10 exams, to be administered during Senior year, mean a student would have to pass 6 to graduate. This would be on top of the PSSA tests (writing, reading, math, science and social studies, to be added in the next couple years) and the PSAT, SAT and SAT II tests that kids take Junior year. In the case of my granddaughter, who is taking all AP and honors courses, she will not have time to sleep.

At this rate our kids will spend more weeks testing than learning! And these tests would be the barometer for graduation - not the 13 years kids spent in school.

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