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Subject: graduation test

I taught high school special education students for 15 years. The graduation test is unfair for special education students and the unidentified students who are below average academically. They may feel that there is a good chance that they will fail the test, so they will drop out. Then they would miss out on their fulll four years of courses that could enrich their lives and make them better able to function in society. The students are already taking many tests each month with their classes, and they are given class rank and grade point averages. We already know there is a wide range of abilities in the graduating class. The academically limited students would be punnished and would not be given credit for the classes they tried their best to complete. Please do not adopt a graduation test!!!!

- Carol Brunner, retired special education teacher

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