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It is really simple and can be summed up in three points. As a teacher and parent I do want standardized testing as it is  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

## MISLEADING

Publicly ranking schools based on

Students' results in national tests presents an invalid and misleading picture of school performance.

## DEMORALISING

It takes schools many years to throw off the tag of a "failing school" and it is demoralising for students, teachers and parents. It makes it much harder for those schools to improve the performance of their students.

## DAMAGING

Schools where students do not do well in literacy and numeracy tests are likely to be unfairly branded as "failing" schools.