



NYSUT is aware there are education conversations occurring today on critical issues facing our students, parents, educators and our public schools.

WE ASK THAT THE LEGISLATURE SUPPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS, EDUCATORS, PRINCIPALS AND SCHOOLS and reject the proposals being currently discussed.

NYSUT is STRONGLY opposed to any education policy that reduces local control for schools. This is a clear attack on students, educators, principals, superintendents, school board members and collective bargaining in this state.

We oppose ANY changes in evaluation laws that would reduce local control and we oppose ANY increase in the use of standardized testing.

The Legislature SHOULD NOT agree to increase testing in our evaluation system. Governor Cuomo's proposal to increase testing to 40% or 50% MUST BE REJECTED. These proposals would double the use of standardized testing for our students.

We oppose ANY educational decisions regarding evaluation or school decisions, made by appointed panels. Educational decisions must be made within a school district.

We oppose reducing due process rights by increasing tenure to four years. Teachers have longer tenure and due process periods than nearly all other state employees. Three years is more than ample time to judge the quality and effectiveness of a teacher.

NYSUT rejects the governor's harmful, anti-educator, anti-labor education proposals, which remove local control and increase standardized testing.

Bills do not need to be printed until 11:59 pm on Saturday, 3/28. We ask you to continue to advocate for our students, educators and principals.

The Legislature should continue to stand strong against the governor's harmful education proposals.