I'm speaking with 40 years under my belt as a K-2 teacher. Standardized testing of young children is developmentally inappropriate. Classroom teachers know which of our students need help as we use our own testing techniques throughout the day to assess students. We don't need additional tests that cause unnecessary stress and anxiety in the younger kids. Those tests are a waste of everyone's time as they create feelings of failure with the students who are just beginning their discovery of reading, math, and critical thinking. My students who have test anxiety would show their frustration and distress in other areas of the curriculum throughout the day, often displaying negative behavior during play and social time. Please let these young children learn at their own rates so that their love of learning is not destroyed. Thank you, Margo Jennings