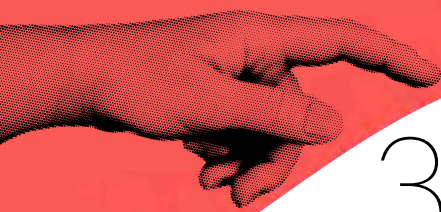


ALBERTA STUDENTS

more than numbers

An Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) provincial research study reports on how the Alberta Government's mandated literacy and numeracy screeners are affecting elementary students.

Research based on feedback from over 1,400 Alberta elementary teachers and school leaders.



3 in 4
TEACHERS
Are Concerned

Developmentally
Inappropriate

71%

of teachers believe the mandatory literacy and numeracy screeners are developmentally inappropriate for their elementary students.

Harming
Elementary Students

73%

of teachers report a negative impact on students' emotional well-being with high levels of anxiety due to this mandatory testing.

Low Value for
Student Learning

75%

of teachers say that repeating these tests throughout the year has NO VALUE at all.



My students are crying, having panic attacks, hitting themselves — declaring that they are stupid.



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*Margin of Error +/- 2.5%(19 times out of 20)