## **Standardized Testing**

Raider Academy

**STEP 1:** In a paragraph (3-4 complete sentences) explain the following: what standardized testing is used for (what is the point?), your opinion on if standardized testing is good for students, and if you think standardized testing accurately represents your knowledge in various subjects.

## **STEP 2:** Read the following article **carefully**:

The standardized testing debate: Effective or expired?

**STEP 3:** Make a Pros/Cons chart using information from the article. Place items that suggest standardized testing is a good thing in the "pros" column and items that suggest it is not a good thing in the "cons" column.

**Step 4:** Talk to other members of your table and see if you can come up with a different method to evaluate student learning/knowledge besides standardized testing. Just jot down a few notes about this so you will be able to share the idea when everyone is done.

**Step 5:** When finished keep your paper out and be ready to share your idea from step 4 with the rest of the class.