**AP Capstone Seminar – Mr. Berman**

**Aim #5: Are American public schools crippling America’s children? What can we do about it?**

**Questions to Consider:**

1. **What is John Gatto’s main argument/thesis in “Against Schools?” In what ways is it similar to Tony Wagner’s argument? In what ways is it different?**
2. **Does Gatto have the expertise to make the claims he is making? Does Gatto have any vested interests, biases or limitations that could affect the credibility of his arguments?**
3. **Did you ultimately find Gatto’s arguments convincing or helpful? Why or why not?**
4. **Based on what you have learned from both the Wagner and the Gatto articles, provide two-three solutions that you think would improve the quality of public education in the United States. Be prepared to defend them during our class discussion.**