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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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**Subject:** Oppose IRRC #2635

**Message:**

Hello, I am the parent of two gifted children in the Downingtown Area School District, lifetime member of PAGE and member of PEGS, as well as a national advocate for gifted education and director of Hoagies' Gifted Education Page [www.hoagiesgifted.org](http://www.hoagiesgifted.org). I served on the board of directors for the SENG (Supporting the Emotional Needs of Gifted) organization. I am the winner of the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) 2005 Community Service Award, the Pennsylvania Association for Gifted Education (PAGE) 2006 Neuber-Pregler Award for Outstanding Advocacy Efforts to Assure Quality Education for the Gifted, and the Supporting the Emotional Needs of Gifted (SENG) 2008 Service Award for exceptional volunteer service to SENG. I spoke at two hearings for this regulation; my concerns are not addressed in this version. As a member of the regulated community, I encourage you to Oppose IRRC #2635. The proposed revisions to the Regulation will not benefit the regulated community, and the proposed regulation has internal flaws which should be corrected before resubmission. There is no benefit to the community to have bad regulations implemented. I support the comments that included my signature in Todd McIntyre's letter opposing IRRC #2635, and I would like to emphasize my concerns about the Department of Education's 50-year plan to check procedural only, not content specific, compliance on less than one fifth of one percent of Pennsylvania's gifted students. In addition, the submitted regulation includes no means for the regulated community to request compliance monitoring from the board of education; this removes access for low- and middle-income families to gifted education in Pennsylvania. Thank you for your opposition to IRRC #2635. Carolyn Kottmeyer

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