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**Subject:** Common Core

**Message:**

I'm writing to express my deep concern over Common Core. While I see merit in establishing some national standards to ensure that all students receive an excellent education, I don't believe Common Core is the answer. The research I have done indicates to me that it will not represent a high quality education for our children but rather a "bare minimum." They will learn to settle not stretch, memorize not think. This is not acceptable for the world in which these students will ultimately need to compete. Even with national standards there must be some allowance for local input into curricula. Having spoken with several teachers I echo their concerns about the inflexibility and pace of this program as well as its limited perspective on what makes for a solid education. In my opinion Common Core is not good for our students. I ask you to reject it.