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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Barbara

Last Name: McGeever

Company:

Email: Bmcgeever@msn.com

Subject: IRRC decision

Message:

Thumbs down to Common Core. Prevent government invasion of privacy and additional taxation!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Debbie

Last Name: VanHorn

Company:

Email: Sheepfarm@windstream.net

Subject: Common Core Curriculum

Message:

I am very concerned about implementing Common Core into our schools. Our children are unique individuals and should be treated as such. The Federal Government looks at them as equal, but this approach crushes their spirit and individualism. There is no room for their gifts and talents to flourish in this one-size-fits all. Children should be influenced by local community --leaders and members(post offices, store clerks, field trips to local business and sights), not only by peers in a cookie-cutter atmosphere. The government is too big and bloated to be efficient and it will collect personal information on our children and their families it has no rights to. Who will be covering the costs of this implementation? My tax dollars?! Please refuse Common Core curriculum and its values for our state of PA. Thank you for listening to my views.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Phyllis

Last Name: Sunderland

Company:

Email: <u>buleflower23@verizon.net</u>

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I feel this will take our Freedom of choice, and it is not good for our Education of our children. We do not want the government to run our schools. This is our right. The take over by a business or agency that is run by the government is not in the rights, and freedom of all concerned. I do not favor this action. And strongly oppose it. thank you.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Don

Last Name: Avgerinos

Company:

Email: bfg500@comcast.net

Subject: Stop Common Core in Pennsylvania

Message:

Dear IRRC Members and Staff, My kids are in high school and I meet with their teachers on every parentteacher event. What I see is a very scary change going on in the educational system. It started with my kids being taught how to do math in a different way that is longer and harder that the way we learned it. The math teacher says it's about following a procedure not about getting the right answer. I'm sorry but would we be able to get a man on the moon if we didn't get the right answer? In the chemistry books that I used there were comments in the beginning about how the book focuses on "solving problems". Not in todays "Common Core Edition"! They are focused on concepts only. My take away from common core is that it's a system that will dumb down our kids, gather data on them and teach them how to follow directions so they can easily be controlled. I understand that the program is tied to school funding and the schools are being strong armed into accepting the new system. This is an outrage to everyone who researched the truth about the program. I urge you to stop common core. Sincerely, Don Avgerinos

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Joseph

Last Name: Parisi

Company:

Email: parisijos@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please put a halt to Common Core. I believe it to be intrusive to our freedoms, privacy and beliefs. It deteriorates family values and diminishes child development. It lowers educational standards that we have witnessed by continued lower standardized testing results. It is not in the best interests of our students or families.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: JAY

Last Name: GILLETTE

Company:

Email: JAY.GILLETTE@COMCAST.NET

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core threatens to dumb-down curriculum standards, take away local control, and collect personal data on every student and their families. And the government will take even more of your hard-earned tax dollars to do it! PLEASE DON'T PASS THIS

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Tom

Last Name: Taylor

Company:

Email: tomtaylor@afo.net

Subject: PA Core Standards - Common Core

Message:

Dear Sir, My prime concern is Cost, Loss of Freedom and more federal control http://pioneerinstitute.org/download/a-republic-of-republics-how-common-core-undermines-state-and-local-autonomy-over-k-12-education/

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Michele

Last Name: Hordyszynski

Company:

Email: hordyboys@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I feel the Common Core Standards limit the teacher's ability to teach children what they really need. It also makes school very institutional without any room for creativity. State testing is certainly not a true measure of the student's ability. We need to remember that not all children learn the same and flexability needs to be aloud in the school system with the strict rule and guidelines of the Common Core Standards.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Ronald

Last Name: Stabile

Company:

Email: ronstubby@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

RE: Common Core I am opposed to "Common Core" because there is no basis in the US Constitution for the Federal government to endorse or codify a standardized curriculum or educational system. A Federal or State education standard has the potential danger of becoming a political tool for indoctrination rather than a constructive tool for promoting good education.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Jill

Last Name: Chronister

Company:

Email: chron5@juno.com

Subject: No on Common Core

Message:

I urge you to vote no on Common Core Education. It takes away the decisions on education from local school districts and parents. Instead it gives power to a few federal cronies. Big government has proven time and time again to be wasteful and show poor judgment in what works best. Common Core provides that a Kindergarten teaches pay is based on how well her students test in 3rd grade. Which may have absolutely no connection to how well that Kindergarten teacher did her job. A local principal is a much better judge of job performance. This is just one example of many ways Common Core & Federal control have a very bad effect on our schools.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Phyllis

Last Name: Bove

Company:

Email: phylisbove@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message: Stop it.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Patrick

Last Name: Grogan

Company:

Email: corkysru@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core and it's disgraceful results

Message:

Such things as Common Core do nothing to help advance society. We need to nourish the smartest children of our future.. not dumb everything down to the point where the lowest common denominator can follow.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: tauna

Last Name: Brown

Company:

Email: tauna17@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please stop Common core in PA. It is not the education we want for our children and grandchildren.

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Sent:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Richard

Last Name: Sobocinski

Company:

Email: sobo@beaconts.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I am writing to express my opposition to any imposition of so-called "Common Core" initiatives in Pennsylvania. This is a misguided attempt to centralize learning standards in Washington rather than at the local level where specific adaptations can be made to meet local needs and demands. "One size fits all" rarely fits anyone well and this is just as true in education. Leave control of educational standards in local hands.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Ellwood

Last Name: Jones

Company:

Email: mjones8184@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

We truly value local control of our schools. We don't want Common Core to dumb down our pupils.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: John

Last Name: Sidehamer

Company:

Email: tgapa@comcast.net

Subject: No on Common Core / C Scope

Message:

I have heard some very bad things about Common Core and C Scope. At best, these programs take the authority to manage curriculum from the state and local folks who know their kids best, and replaces it with a one size fits all national program. At it's worst, curriculum becomes a tool for pushing the agenda of people like Bill Gates. If you haven't done so already, go check out what Gates said about it at the 2009 National Council of State Legislators conference. It's absolutely creepy!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Abigail

Last Name: Oesterling

Company:

Email: <u>live2travel88@gmail.com</u>

Subject: Common Core Dangers

Message:

I'm worried that you're about to adopt Common Core standards - an initiative which significantly erodes local and state control of school curriculum. There is a misplaced emphasis on common mass learning. Children do not fully "learn" through memorization. Drilling children until they memorize the curriculum may help them pass a test but it rarely results in true understanding. Every child is different, and strictly teaching the "common core" will only impede exceptional students from reaching beyond the mediocre. Common Core cheapens our children's education and further erodes the nation's tradition of Federalism. You would do well to remember that simply changing standards is no guarantee students will actually learn any more than they do now.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Krista

Last Name: Samuel

Company:

Email: krista@pennsign.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please, please do not enact Common Core in our states. I have 4 children, 2 of which are school age. They are intelligent children and yearn to be challenged, not dumbed down. Why are we not celebrating our achievers and students that strive to excel? Why are we trying to create an average society? That's exactly what Common Core will do. We don't need nor want an average society. We want a great society. We were always taught to set your goals high, even a little out of reach. That way, you are always striving for something and trying to do better. However, the Common Core is teaching our children that mediocre is just fine and you don't need to try very hard. This goes against everything our country was built on. If Common Core goes into full effect, I truly believe that I will have no choice but to either homeschool my children or put them in private school. I want my children to succeed and excel in life and I strongly believe that Common Core is not going to support that in any way.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Ken

Last Name: Whitaker

Company:

Email: KRWhitaker@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please do not allow Common Core principals to be incorporated into Pennsylvania schools.Common Core threatens to dumb-down curriculum standards. It changes history so that our children will be taught to be ashamed to be American citizens. They will be taught that our Constitution is oppressive and outdated. They will not be taught cursive writing, dispite the fact that learning cursive stimulates brain function in a way no other learning can. An added benifit of this is that our children will not be able to read the original documents that are the basis of our country.Common Core takes away local control making local school boards unnecessary and parental views about thier children's education irrelivant. Common Core will collect personal data on ever.y student and their families without specific premission, a clear invasion of privacy.. And on top of all this (and more) the government will take even more of our hard-earned tax dollars to do it!. Please do not allow Common Core to destroy our children's mind and our wonderful state of Pennsylvania. Thank You.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Teresa

Last Name: Whitaker

Company:

Email: tmafw@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: James

Last Name: Venditti

Company:

Email: <u>ivenditti0314@comcast.net</u>

Subject: Common Core

Message:

To whom it may concern, I would like to take this opportunity to write a not so lengthy message on my view and many views of people I know. How can you honestly believe that introducing a system like Common Core can be helpful to our children? You will be ultimately producing a dumber society who will think that it's alright to be wrong as long as you can explain why. This is not how things work in the real world and it is not how we should teach our children. I am sorry that some of the students are lacking the mental capacities to perform at their grade level, but who's fault is that? And why should we push them through just to make them less ready and adequate to face reality? I urge you greatly to throw out the Common Core curriculum for Pennsylvania schools and make teachers do their jobs and actually teach students how to be educated and give the right answers.

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First Name: Michael

Last Name: McFadden

Company:

Email: mcfaddenmike@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Do not allow Common Core, a national program, to trump our state and local obligations to educate our youth. Maintaining our good schools and improving the others can be done by unleashing varied teaching strategies, then emulating those that perform the best.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Frank

Last Name: Wyatt

Company:

Email: Craftysax@zoominternet.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please, please do not implement this common core curriculum. It is clearly intended to advance an agenda of progressivism and continue to dumb down our children. Have you looked at this? Don't help further destroy our history and our future. Stop common core.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Samuel

Last Name: Gibson

Company:

Email: cassgibson@verizon.net

Subject: Say "no' to COmmon Core

Message:

Please say "no" to Common Core.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Steve

Last Name: Mousetis

Company:

Email: mouse.steve1@gmail.com

Subject: common core

Message:

With dismay, I've been watching the downward spiral of American Education since the 60s. The deterioration accelerated with the formation of the Dept. of Education and now Common Core is being thrust upon us. It threatens to dumb-down curriculum standards, take away local control, and collect personal data on every student and their families. And the government which is already in debt from all it's other foolish programs, will take even more our hard earned tax dollars to do it.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: David

Last Name: Fleming

Company:

Email: dwf15668@hotmail.com

Subject: Commen Core

Message:

I am do not want control of education to be with the state or federal government, it should be and remain local. I do not want standards to be "dumbed down". I do not want Commen Core.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Maureen

Last Name: Gyory

Company:

Email: mogyory@gmail.com

Subject: common core is bad!

Message:

We do not want common core! It is a violation of our individual rights and it is not the function of government to tell us what to teach our children! End it now!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Timothy

Last Name: Kwiat

Company:

Email: timkwiat@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Dear IRRC Staff & Members, I wish to urge you to reject the Common Core Regulations that will be reviewed in the coming weeks. The Pennsylvania education system has been extremely successful in it's own right and my family is strongly opposed to consolidating the program into a system that, quite frankly, will decrease the standards of the curriculum. Looking into this, I am shocked to see how the very individual successes that communities have attained, are being standardized to fit a single mold throughout our entire country. This not only compromises the excellence we have all fought to achieve, but also removes local control and serves as yet another socialized tool within a very dysfunctional environment. The current curriculum is far superior to what is being introduced as it's replacement. Additionally, this will yet again be another program that many Americans are opposed to, yet will take more of their hard earned money to support. Once again, I urge you to reject the Common Core Program and put an end to eliminating individual excellence by conforming to a program that rationalizes and standardizes mediocrity. Sincerely, Tim Kwiat Lancaster, PA.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Jentilucci

Company:

Email: rjent1@comcast.net

Subject: common core

Message:

A Washingto DC one size fits all mentality is nothing less than social engernerring designed to continue the down ward spiral of the American education. Children today are being taught PC opinion rather than from "first source" material whenever possible. It is not the job of our Fed. Govn't to provide education for our nations youth, it's the job of State and Local Govn't

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Donna

Last Name: Lewis

Company:

Email: ladywarriorof777@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

My children are in the West Mifflin Area School District and although common core is just beginning to be implemented here I am already noticing many things about the new curriculum that are troubling. Some of these things include not teaching cursive hand writing, turning away from teaching spelling words to enhance literacy (which is needed more than ever due to the age of texting), changes in the grading scale, and a push to pass tests rather than to thoroughly teach children. As a parent this is scary because I know that this is only the beginning. If these are the negative changes I am seeing already I fear to think what will be next. My children have always had a hunger for learning as I believe many do. With this new curriculum I am afraid that mediocracy is becoming the expectation and desired result rather than each child having the option and in turn the drive to strive for greatness. Our children are the future. They deserve the opportunity to be all that they can be without being limited by a "dumbed down" style of curriculum! At one time in our nations history the children were expected to learn much more than even the recent pre-common core curriculum. And guess what, they were more than capable! We should strive to teach our children more, not less and I know that with the proper encouragement most of them will rise to the challenge and in many cases surprise even themselves. If we are to make changes to the current system it should be to provide a better way to ensure that those that struggle can achieve higher goals. Limiting the heights that can be reached by those that do not struggle is simply wrong and wreck-less. Common core is damaging to our youth and the future of our communities and our country. I hope that you will take this into consideration when deciding the fate of our schools and our children.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Carolyn

Last Name: Whalen

Company:

Email: crosew@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core Curriculum

Message:

Dear IRRC, My three kids attend a public school. I request that PA does not endorse the Common Core program. I believe that Washington cannot possibly know what is best for my local community. Education should be a personal process. Every student is different and should be challenged to do their best in a way that uniquely benefits them. Let's please continue the idea that every student has the freedom to determine their unlimited destiny. I believe that Common Core is not the answer.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Martin

Last Name: Palmiere

Company:

Email: MartyAPalmiere@eaton.com

Subject: No to Common Core

Message:

To the members of the IRRC, Dear Committee Members, My objections to Common Core for our Pennsylvania Students are as follows: - Used in Germany, populace frustrated, enough said. - Sanctioned, approved and designed by Obama Educational Advisor, Weather Underground member and admitted murderer Bill Ayers, enough said. - Forces our children into career paths dictated by Government assessment instead of the parents and childs choice, enough said. - Teaches revisionist American History inculcating our kids with the view that throughout history America is at fault for all the worlds ills, teaches that the Founding Fathers were all a bunch of rich slave holders that murdered any people who got in their way, instead of 59 men who put their lives, fortunes and "sacred honor" on the line when they affixed their signatures to the declaration of Independence. Enough said. Our kids need to be taught that they live in the greatest country ever formed. One that has contributed more to the betterment of the world than there is space here to name. One that has always stepped up to fight for liberty's sake, twice within 25 years, the last a two front war. One that is always the first to respond when catastrophe strikes somewhere in the world. To hell with "Common Core"!! ENOUGH SAID!!

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Sent:

A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Debbie

Last Name: Kalkstein

Company:

Email: debbiek93@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core in PA

Message:

If what i am reading is correct, then Common Core is NOT in the best interests of the students. There is absolutely no need to track students across the country, there is no need to defy the US Constitution...again...by taking the rights of the states away....again. Pennsylvania schools are well-managed, and curriculum covers and exceeds minimums...why in the world would we want to change something that works? Please reconsider Common Core. Thank you for your time. Debbie Kalkstein Pittsburgh, PA Life-long resident of PA 55 years and counting

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Pam

Last Name: Scheller

Company:

Email: pscheller621@zoominternet.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core takes education out of the community moves away from PARENT RIGHTS. Teachers now look at parents (non-teachers) and do not listen to our concerns. What will happen and who will ultimately be responsible for making choices that effect my child? I DO NOT want the federal government to control my child's education. You will force parents to take children out of public schools and home school. The internet and home schooling will give parents control of their childrens education. Please strengthen PARENTS RIGHTS. Thank you

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Steve

Last Name: Whitaker

Company:

Email: findcarolana@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

After doing some research, I am writing to ask that Common Core NOT be implemented in Pennsylvania. I see several issues that trouble me; 1. Federal law states that the DOE shall not be involved in developing, supervising or controlling instructional materials or curriculum. 2. Setting a single, national standards eliminates competition among states/local districts to elevate knowledge. 3. Abandons classical literature for government manuals which sounds like indoctrination. 4. It provides for the collection of invasive data on students; biometrics, health records, religion, political persuasion, etc. 5. The material misrepresents our founding documents to undermine concepts of self-government, personal liberty and responsibility. 6. Promotion of the 3E's: Equity = Social Justice, Economy = Redistribution, Environment = Animals have the same or more rights than humans. I would hope that you can see how damaging this would be to our children. The only rational explanation for proceeding control is to 'dumb down' our kids and make them easier to control from 'central planning'. Common Core does not promote the ideals which made America successful and a global force for good. It just kills our identity and makes us satisfied with mediocrity.

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Sent:

Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:29 AM

To:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Mitchel

Last Name: Marcelli

Company: Long & Foster Real Estate

Email: mitch@lnf.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I am very dissatisfied with the current state of public education. Common Core is more of the same. Let's get back to our fundamental values and raise the bar again. Achievement requires hard work.

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:25 AM

To:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Frieda

Last Name: Mecray

Company:

Email: fmecray@comcast.net

Subject: common core education

Message:

Please retain local control over our children's education. Local control is preferred to federal control any day and any where. America's educational system does NOT need additional 'dumbing down'. The federal gov't is too intrusive already; we don't need them raising our children.

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:20 AM

To:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Daniel

Last Name: Madura

Company:

Email: crowcaller57@neo.rr.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

As a voter in Pa. and a Grandfather, I DO NOT want to see Common Core implemented in our schools. I feel it is just more government Intrusion into our lives and want it stopped!.

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From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent: To: Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:15 AM

Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Larry

Last Name: Singleton

Company:

Email: retrograb@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Stop accepting money to indoctrinate our children. Say 'No' to Common Core.

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From:

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Sent:

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To:

Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Larry

Last Name: Kanevsky

Company:

Email: middlenamehussein@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core dumbs down curriculum standards. Takes away local control. Collects personal data on students and their families. Government will take more tax dollars to support more government.!

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From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:11 AM

To:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Thelma

Last Name: Trippe

Company:

Email: tripavon17@yahoo.com

Subject: common core`

Message:

I want to strongly suggest that common core be ousted from Pennsylvania schools as it is detrimental to the education of our students. We want high standards to which the students work for and achieve. Common core is the dumbing down of students and people do not want this.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Dr Mary

Last Name: Hutchins

Company:

Email: mllemeah@hotmail.com

Subject: common core opposition

Message:

Dear IRR members, Following are reasons why I oppose the adoption of common core standards: National control of school standards. \$650 million required to implement in PA. CCS math standards will put PA's students two years behind their peers in high-performing countries Parents and school boards will have NO recourse to influence content or standards Undermines the US Constitution's 10th Amendment authority of states over education Massive federal student tracking initiative instituted Please do not adopt a measure that will be so detrimental to the education of our students. Thank you.

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

Thursday, October 24, 2013 9:04 AM

To:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Dan

Last Name: Bucciarelli

Company: DJB ENTERPRISES, Inc

Email: dibucc@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please stop Common core in Pennsylvania and throughout. Thank you.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: John

Last Name: Marshall

Company:

Email: john.marshall4@verizon.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Hello, I'm writing the IRRC to request that Common Core be removed as Pennsylvania's base curriculum. I've researched this system and find it to be destructive to our education system. It will further erode our already weak education system by taking away most of the parent's rights to be involved in their children's education and turning teachers into administrators. Being a father of two, I've seen the results of watering down the system since I attended public schools 40 years ago. In tenth grade a few years ago, my son had not been taught what The Bill of Rights was yet. From all that I've read about Common Core, it will water down the system even further. I ask that you please remove this curriculum from Pennsylvania's school districts. Thank you, John R. Marshall Jr.

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To:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Jennifer

Last Name: Stasik

Company:

Email: Jskrn@juno.com

Subject: Stop common core

Message:

I am against the common core standards going into effect in our state.

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From:

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Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Noreen

Last Name: Haggerty

Company:

Email: nhaggerty@wilkecpa.com

Subject: STOP Common Core

Message:

Please STOP Common Core in Pennsylvania.

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From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Stephen

Last Name: Eckert

Company:

Email: stephen.l.eckert@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I exhort you to not include Pennsylvania in the national common core system. I want curriculum and school choices to come from local communities, schools, whether private or public, that know the children in the their community. We need Pennsylvania people choosing what is best for our children. I have complete confidence that Pennsylvania is capable of setting standards and choosing curriculum that is best for our children. We don't need to rely on the monolith system that is coming out of the Federal Government. Keep control of our Pennsylvania schools in Pennsylvania and empower local parents and teachers to make decisions. Common Core clearly is undermining this. It demands that our schools meet unyielding and overbearing guidelines and once the decision power is ceded to Common Core, there will be only more requirements and regulation. Keep Pennsylvania independent! Our commonwealth has the expertise to make the right education decisions for our children and communities. Thank you for your time. Contact me if you have any questions.

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Sent:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Dawn

Last Name: Foringer

Company:

Email: theforingers@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please vote against brining Common Core into our Pa. schools. As an adult who has witnessed first hand, some of the results of this type of philosophy. Please, VOTE NO.

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From:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Mark

Last Name: Countouris

Company:

Email: macsareegularguy@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core Standards

Message:

Hello, I understand that you are soon to begin review of the Common core Standards. I am writing to respectfully express my concerns. I also understand that this will be a highly controversial Topic and I don't envy your position. Good Luck with whatever decision you make. Form the information I have read, Common core will (for lack of a better word) dumb down standards and take local control away from communities. Some of the example math questions I have examined seem to be more like a social statement from a progressive than anything to do with learning math. I also have a concern with data gathering. I understand that common core has a requirement to gather data on all family members. After recent news of the IRS and NSA scandals, I don't need any more proof that public employee bureaucrats cannot be trusted to protect our private information. Please don't drag Pennsylvania one step closer to the big brother Orwellian world that removes freedom and opportunity for our young people. Best Regards, Mark Countouris

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: John

Last Name: Fromlak

Company:

Email: lvpgh01@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please vote to STOP common core

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

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To:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Debbie

Last Name: Smith

Company: Stoneside Village

Email: dgallaghersmith@hotmail.com

Subject: Common core

Message:

I am a mother of two teenagers and I am very concerned about Common Core and its effect on my children's education. I don't feel that this program will enhance their education. I also prefer more local input as opposed to more government control. I hope that this Common Core program will be re-evaluated and not instituted.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Dorothy

Last Name: Rodger

Company:

Email: dotrodgers@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

The Common Core curriculum is NOT one we want to see implemented in our schools. It represents a problem on many fronts, as evidenced by the huge outcry against it! These legitimate concerns should be thoroughly investigated and made public!

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robyn

Last Name: Culligan

Company:

Email: rculligan@centria.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I am writing to express my opposition to the new common core standard. After 30 years of different Federal standards, which fail, why does the government continue with this approach? The Federal Government has no place on our local schools. Lowering the standards in schools is a disgrace! Never mind children in my district who starting the math program under one failed government program are coming home crying because the "new way" is confusing. Ever since the implementation of the Federal Department of Education, standards have been lowered, and our society reflects this. Stop indoctrinating our children! Parents know the government is doing this and we take action against it, therefore, it will be another failed project.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: James

Last Name: Arva

Company:

Email: wilditralian@juno.com

Subject: Clommon Core

Message:

I sincerely hope that the whole Common Core objective will be defeated. I believe that we can safely say that Napoleon had an Obama complex ... and Obama's modeling his control of the minds of our children after Hitler's Youth Movement. Individual communities and school boards have the right to teach whatever they want to, as long as it equips the children with adequate understandings of math and geography and civics and the sciences. Social engineering and prying into the lives of families is none of ANY government's business!

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From: Sent:

A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Muriel

Last Name: Ricker

Company:

Email: maricker@verizon.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I implore you to vote against Common Core. The program is an arm of the US Gov. as they attempt to gather personal information, push their political philosophy, and lower standards in education. Also teachers hate it because they spend too much time teaching to standardized tests. Their creativity has been stifled. This is a disaster. Sincerely, Muriel M. Ricker

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: John

Last Name: Ghering

Company:

Email: jsgoehr@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Members of the IRRC, As a taxpaying citizen of our great Commonwealth, I earnestly implore you to investigate thoroughly the ramifications of adopting Common Core curriculum into our State Education system. As enticing as the subsidies appear to be from the Gates Foundation, I suspect that they are no better than a "Trojan Horse", that once adopted, will infest the curriculum with an entire host of socio-political poison that will serve only to indoctrinate our innocent children and fail to actually educate them. I realize our public school systems are cash strapped, but we need not respond imprudently by begging from entities that really do not have our children's best interests in mind. Our Districts really need to be put to task first in responsibly using the tax dollars they are given rather than squandering millions of dollars. Fiscal responsibility is the remedy not begging to eager slave masters.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: JC

Last Name: Callahan

Company:

Email: jc.callahan@yahoo.com

Subject: Stop Common Core standards in PA

Message:

Please do not approve common core for schools in our state. Schools need autonomy to best meet the needs of their student population. The personal data collection alone is distasteful, frightening, and un-American. It does not serve us well and we do not want it here.

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Sent:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Maureen

Last Name: Maiella

Company:

Email: jesse1016@hotmail.com

Subject: common core

Message:

please get rid of this porgram that changes history & indoctrinates our youth.

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From:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: ALBERT

Last Name: PRESNAR

Company:

Email: apresnar@bruceandmerrilees.cvom

Subject: reject common core

Message:

i am totally against the common core theme,control MUST BE KEPT LOCAL, all this system does is waste our tax dollars, produce mediocre students, and erode our freedoms, please do not implement this system, thank you for your time.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Shelly

Last Name: Thomas

Company:

Email: mybirdie0818@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core threatens to dumb-down curriculum standards, take away local control, and collect personal data on every student and their families. The government will take tax dollars to do these things. We don't need this legislation! We need more to help kids in school, not less. Personal information should be kept within the schools and not in the government. Please take ideas back to the drawing board and find a real solution to existing education problems!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Nicole

Last Name: Roberts

Company:

Email: Nicoler123@comcast.net

Subject: Commom core

Message:

I would like to inform you that I and my family are against the common core and do not want that in our school district here in Lancaster. We would like our local school board to have control not the federal government. Please do not implement the common core. Thanks, Nicole Roberts

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: nancy

Last Name: wehrheim

Company:

Email: wehrhen1@laroche,edu

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Having taught in public schools as well as private for twenty years, I can honestly say that most top-down approaches do not deliver a sustainable product in education. That is because students are so individualistic and neeed individual standards until much older than these testing paradigms provide. Furthermore, to allow a monolithic system to take hold in our schools, negates the testimony of history where we see again and again that the powers that be do not and cannot foresee all eventualities that might occur. Without various power structures there will be no room for the individual or individual state, schoool system, or parent to voice their dissent to present or future inequities or incorrect paradigms that might be presented as dogma. It is a system that is ripe for abuse even before being implemented.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: William

Last Name: Crisp

Company:

Email: crispycritters@zitomedia.net

Subject: Common Core curriculum

Message:

Please do not allow this curriculum to develop in or enter our schools. Currently some aspects of it are being introduced and I am shocked with what the kids are telling us is being taught in school. Even they are upset about it. From what I've seen is coming this curriculum will do nothing to make our kids smarter, better problem solvers, or even give them the same history or values as we learned. Thank you.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Cheryll

Last Name: Brenner

Company:

Email: Cbrenner1946@gmail.com

Subject: Common core educational standards

Message:

The reasons I do not want common core in Pa are as follows. 1. Education policies should be determined locally. The federal government is trying to usurp state and local authority. 2. The planned collection of data on a national level is an invasion of privacy. 3. The government will take more of our tax money to run the program. Federal programs like no child left behind have been a dismal failure. 4. States are being lured by promises of money but it never works out the way they promise. Look at Obamacare. Keep local control.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kristin

Last Name: McCall

Company:

Email: twomccalls@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I don't think this curriculum is the best we can do for our children. We should be above teaching to a test curricula. And where is the American History? Have you tried to do the math with your first grader? Dump this curriculum now or go to a voucher system. I'd rather my kids not be put through this.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Monique

Last Name: Newstrom

Company:

Email: monique.n3@verizon.net

Subject: We reject 'Common Core'

Message:

This 50 year old mother is appalled that our children today are not better educated than I was. Freedom to change our system will make it better. Common Core will make it worse. Our families say NO to Common Core.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Cynthia

Last Name: Kelsey

Company:

Email: ckelsey@angio.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please for the love of God, stop Common Core from coming to PA. This will completely destroy individual accomplishments for our children and only promote the mundane.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Ursula

Last Name: Kerns

Company:

Email: urswk@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core must be stopped. The state, parents and teachers need to take charge of local schools not the federal government I have seen enough to know that common core will dumb down the student and it is dangerously un American.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: TONI

Last Name: LYNCH

Company: BETTER WORLD BUILDING TECHNOLOGY

Email: polsteel@aol.com

Subject: STOP COMMON CORE

Message:

WHY IT TAKES A MASSIVE LETTER CAMPAGIN TO GET THE LEGISLATORS TO UNDERSTAND THAT A MARXIST TAKE OVER OF THE EDUCATION SYSTEM IS IN ITSELF OBSURD, ASK ANY 6TH GRADER TO REVIEW THIS PLAN AND TO DETERMINE IF IT IS NOT A TOTAL MARXIST TAKE OVER OF THE ENTIRE EDUCATION SYSTEM. THE COSTS TO IMPLEMENT ARE ASTORNOMICAL AND UNKNOWN TOP END COST. KARL MARKS SAID: "GIVE ME FOUR YEARS OF THE NATION'S YOUTH AND I WILL GOVERN THE NATION". BOTH THE STATE HOUSE AND SENATE WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS IN FACT DOES NOT GET TERMINATED.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Suzanne

Last Name: Maffei

Company:

Email: suzmaff@zoominternet.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please do not move forward with Common Core Standards. I feel this is detrimental to the education of our children.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Douglas

Last Name: Maxwell

Company:

Email: <u>Dmaxwell7374@gmail.com</u>

Subject: Common core

Message:

Dear members Please do whatever necessary to halt common core here in Pa. We need to be strengthening our schools ciriculums not watering them down. Every community is unique and must have the power and liberty to govern itself!! Please stop this common core business in its tracks. Thank you.

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Sent:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Zanol

Company:

Email: rzanol300@gmail.com

Subject: Get rid of Common Core

Message:

I find the common core cirriculum to be anti-American. I do not approve of the leftist, politically correct agenda it indoctrinates our children into believing. I especially disapprove of the course in which students learn about Islam and are asked to choose a Muslim name. I am very involved in my daughters education and I review with her what she learns in school. I am very troubled in particular what she is being taught about our U.S. Constitution particularly the Bill of Rights. She is not being taught that the purpose of the second amendment is the right of the people to bear arms to protect themselves from a tyrannical government.. I read a part of the Constitution each week with her and we discuss it. She went to school and told her class the real meaning of the Second Amendment. A teacher's aide remarked that gun ownership was bad and should be outlawed. This is so wrong! Our schools should be enlightening the minds of our children about our history and the meaning of our Bill of Rights instead of promoting a liberal agenda. You can rest assured that I will always be involved in my daughter's education and I will "undo" and "correct" and liberal agenda pushed onto my daughter in the guise of education. Another thing I do not like is my daughter is being taught we are a democracy. We are not a democracy, the U.S. is a republic based on the law embodied in the Constitution. No where in the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution does the word democracy appear. Our forefathers were very careful not to include the word democracy in their efforts because democracies historically are always short lived and lead eventually to anarchy and/or an oligarchy. Please get rid of this liberal agenda known as Common Core and teach facts so our children can make up their own minds based on the facts they learn rather than a liberal agenda pushed on them. Sincerely, Robert A. Zanol

From:

ContactForm@state.pa.us

Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: thomas

Last Name: jayson

Company: datcorp

Email: tjaysonemail@gmail.com

Subject: education standards

Message:

I am opposed to any legislation that will lower our educational standards. Comor core will only our childrens ability to compete in the world economy.

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Subject:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Sandy

Last Name: Mazurek

Company:

Email: sanmaz@berksiu.org

Subject: COMMON CORE.

Message:

Common core is a bad plan for education giving more power to the federal govt. It is nothing but propaganda formatted by the federal govt. Education belongs in the hands of the states.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: thomas

Last Name: jayson

Company: datcorp

Email: tjaysonemail@gmail.com

Subject: education standards

Message:

I am opposed to any legislation that will lower our educational standards. Comor core will only our childrens ability to compete in the world economy.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kevin

Last Name: Clancy

Company:

Email: kevinsclancy@hotmail.com

Subject: say no to Common Core!

Message:

Please, I beg of you, get Common Core out of our PA schools. Common Core removes teachers creativity, adaptability, and parents are forbidden to see the curriculums! It data mines our children to pidgeon hole them into jobs types as early as 7 years of age. I'm afraid the curriculum is revisionist history at best, indoctrination at worst. We can do better, Only reason Common Core is here is due to the 2009 Stimulus bill. If it's so great, why can't parents see the curriculum???? Thank you. Kevin Clancy

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Seth Jay

Last Name: Liebowitz

Company:

Email: jayliebowitz2@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Dear IRRC - I have heard bad things about Common Core. I don't think it will be good for our students, or our society. It promotes the Liberal, labor-union, secular way of thinking. It spins our history in a dangerous, inaccurate way. I am against it. Thank you.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Colin

Last Name: Smith

Company:

Email: colin@progliberty.com

Subject: Common Core - do not implement

Message:

Common Core will dumb-down curriculum standards, take away local control, and collect personal data on every student and their families. For the sake of my children Conner (5 yr) and Kara (16 months) do not implement Common Core. Thank you

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Bauer

Company: Retired

Email: Bauerr@peoplepc.com

Subject: Education

Message:

I am a retired career teacher and I am actively opposing the implementation of the federal government imposed, currently designated "Common Core" curriculum. (See : Americans For Prosperity-Pennsylvania) position statement for a summary of my concerns.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kimberly

Last Name: Bream

Company:

Email: graphictivity@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core in PA -- No!

Message:

Dear Commission Members, I am a mother of an eighth grader and an 11th grader in Pennsylvania schools. My younger child is in public school, while my older is in a private school in PA. I have serious concerns about the implementation of Common Core standards in PA schools. My biggest concerns are the federal government's intrusion in the states' decisions on the school curriculi and the collection of data from and about my family other than the standard information I provide on emergency forms each year for the schools' use. I am also very concerned about the current administration's unethical work practices that would likely carry over to their control of state school systems. My children currently get instruction that is often enhanced by local community experiences and current events. They also receive very distinct instruction based on the experiences of their talented teachers. I fear these more unique learning experiences will be a thing of the past if all schools are forced to follow the same curriculi, destroying creativity in teaching and learning. These are just some of my concerns. I hope you will please listen to the people of Pennsylvania, particularly parents who have to send their children to these schools, and that you will vote NO to implementing Common Core in PA schools. I think PA should see what it does to school systems in other states that choose to implement it and decide after several years if it really was a good thing. I think the answer will be NO. Sincerely, Kim B. Gettysburg, PA

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kelly

Last Name: Petrilla

Company:

Email: 5Petrillas@comcast.net

Subject: PETITION AGAINST THE COMMON CORE

Message:

To whom it may concern, I am the representative of my family that is against common core. It violates everything we have respected over the years. I do not feel you are honoring all citizens if you vote for this. I hope my opinion is respected and that you choose NOT to honor the common core. Respectfully submitted, Kelly Petrilla

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Len

Last Name: Young

Company:

Email: LensAcres@verizon.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please DO NOT institute the Common Core standards. There are other programs available. It will cost money we don't have and cause results we don't want.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Joyce

Last Name: Minehan

Company:

Email: twister 2587@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I am a parent of 7 and a sibling of 12 and all of the above are intelligent individuals who can think and problem solve. We run successful businesses or are high achievers in the companies we work for. We are able to converse about a variety of subjects across the board and this was accomplished because of the current school system. The Common Core and its standards are a set-up for national standardized tests, tests that can't evaluate complex thought, can't avoid cultural bias, can't measure non-verbal learning, can't predict anything of consequence and this will not assist our children or grandchildren to be as successful as we are. As a parent I DO NOT want Common Core implemented in Pennsylvania. DO NOT IMPLEMENT COMMON CORE. Regards, Joyce Minehan

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Montrose

Company:

Email: Rmontrose@njtransit.com

Subject: Stop Common Core

Message:

We can not afford and to have the Federal Government involve with our schools and our children. This should be handle on a state and local level and the parents.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: tom

Last Name: kirk

Company:

Email: inc36@hotmail.com

Subject: schooling and children

Message:

Parents should make decisions regarding their children's education not some atheistic government know it all employee. Children's best interest is served by their parents, not the beast system of indoctrination by communistic breauocrats.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Jesse

Last Name: Warren

Company: Power Piping Company

Email: jwarren@powerpipingcompany.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please do not allow the Common Core or any of its flawed principles to become the standard in our school systems. Its already embarrassing how pathetic our schools are compared to the rest of the world. The results of this program will be disastrous to our already flawed education system and will impact the future negatively for all.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: TROY

Last Name: WEAVER

Company: VAL-CO

Email: tweaver@val-co.com

Subject: common core

Message:

I'm against common core, its costly and takes away local control of education and puts to much control in the federal government. we need less government intrusion.

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IRRC Website - New Message



A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Robert

Last Name: Kuhn

Company: N/A

Email: robertkuhn49@gmail.com

Subject: Say No to Common Core in Pennsylvania

Message:

I am asking the Governor, the General Assembly, and the State Board of Education, to immediately take the steps ncesscary to rescind Common Core adoption, the race to the top application, the No Child Left Behind waver, and all other requirements placed upon the state that are related to these, and return to the Pennsylvania standards in use prior to the Common Core adoption. I also request the Pennsylvania Govenor and the Secretary of Education to review al documentation relat to such applications and contracts as mention above to ensure our state sovereignty is held inviolate. I further request that this review of programs, documents and applications, include an examination to ensure no private or personal information about stuents is transmitted outside of local schools and districts (except as in prscently permitted by state law). In as much as the Pennsylvania State Board of Education adopted Common Core State Stndards before they were even written, failed to perform a cost analysis related to statewide adoption, and failed to hold well publicaized public meetings where citizens could review the actual standards prior to adoption, I request that the state legislature hold public hearings this session with a thorough inquiry into what it will cost to implement these standards, the issue of adopting standards that have not yet been written the quality of the standards that have been written (English and Math), and how CCS will affect dissemination of student information (privacy Issues). Please killl the Common Core here in Pensylvania... I pray that we will again find favor in Gods eyes. We are not Europe; we are not the Country from which everyone wi leaing. We are the Coungry where everyone longs to be. Common Core is "dumbing down" our children. We need teahers and administrators that are wiling to teah our children to think. Teach and challenge. Allow success and over achievement. Teach the truth about our founding, where we cam from, our morals our values. We have some of our nations finest teachers and parents here in PA... We can best decide ourselves how to maintain our values and improve our educational programs. We must have less government involvement... Sincerely, Robert Kuhn

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: William

Last Name: Bullman

Company:

Email: wbullman@yahoo.com

Subject: PA Common Core

Message:

Common Core is not in the best interest of the citizens of PA. It requires massive spending, lining the pockets of teaching material companies and testing organizations, for an unproven concept with no scientific evidence it improves education. It is nothing more than another education FAD, which will be replaced with another FAD, as soon as it has been proven to be more harmful than beneficial. Please reject Common Core for real education.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Stanley

Last Name: Sassic

Company:

Email: scyoung3@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please reconsider passing Common Core for the great State of Pennsylvania. This is not a good track for this State to follow. This will do great harm to our children and grand children. This system will do great harm to our children. Please Please reconsider.

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Last Name: Sassic

Company:

Email: scyoung3@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

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Last Name: Young

Company:

Email: scyoung3@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

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First Name: Christina

Last Name: Young

Company:

Email: scyoung3@comcast.net

Subject: Common Core

Message:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Richard

Last Name: Jolley

Company:

Email: rick1007@pa.rr.com

Subject: common core

Message:

Why do we keep trying to "dumb down" our kids? Please stop this and start teaching more American History and Heritage.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kevin

Last Name: Hilliard

Company:

Email: khilliard@archadeck.net

Subject: Reject Common Core

Message:

Please reject Common Core. This regulation is more about federal control than it is about education

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Joseph

Last Name: Rooney

Company:

Email: Joseph.Rooney@lawsonproducts.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please say NO to Common Core. I believe the collection of personal data on our students and their families is a further erosion of our privacy and liberty. Common Core will take away local control of our schools and damage our curriculum standards. So again I ask that you please reject Common Core.

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Michael

Last Name: Murphy

Company:

Email: micharmrf@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

It has been brought to my attention that Common Core is trying to be implemented in Pennsylvania schools. I Strongly Urge that this action be stopped! Common Core dumbs down the curriculum, invades privacy and is another attempt by the federal government to usurp state and local jurisdiction. Please maintain state control of education in Pennsylvania! Thank You, sincerely, Michael C. Murphy

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Lois

Last Name: Woods

Company:

Email: mimi4cgjh@gmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Federal Government has no business whatsoever in the local schools. I am sure we don't know everything about Common Core - what I do know I do not like! STOP THIS. Sincerely, Lois Woods

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Lisa

Last Name: Nancollas

Company: Mifflin County Tea Party Patriots

Email: Lnancollas@aol.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

I do not want common core for PA for the following reasons: Children will lose left brain/right brain connection because cursive writing is not taught under Common core. Children will have less than a basic education under common core. For example, kids will only have to pass with Algebra 1 to graduate from High school. Common Core does not address students who are advanced. You can not punish a smarter child by stunting their education to help those children who can not keep up. Common Core seeks to lower educational standards. Please Stop Common Core in PA. Thank You, Lisa Nancollas

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Janet

Last Name: Kipe

Company:

Email: jmkipe@hotmail.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Please stop Common Core in Pennsylvania and let local people control the schools that their children attend. Thank you!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Ellen

Last Name: Keyte

Company:

Email: Bbebs@comcast.com

Subject: common core

Message:

2+2=4 but not if Common Core is brought to PA 2+2 will equal 5. Common Core, data mining our childrens information, determining what they can do, determining who they can be. My daughter always seemed to be in a grade that had to try pilot programs from around the country, mostly California. Where in math just getting close to the correct answer was good enough, spelling words the way you thought they sounded was acceptable, and not corrected. Total Insanity, STOP Common Core. Too much government control,

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Cory

Last Name: Hooks

Company:

Email: Hookscory@gmail.com

Subject: Common core

Message:

As a former teacher I do not agree with the common core ideas. They do not teach the basic and are fundamentally flawed. This should be left up to the states and not the federal government to implement an educational system.

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First Name: Percy

Last Name: Meitzler

Company: PPP

Email: gtopercy@comcast.net

Subject: COMMON CORE

Message:

We do not need the federal government to take over school education. The federal government does nothing but mess everything up they touch. People in this country need to wake up and stop letting the government take over this country. The people that think this way need to move to a country where they do everything for you and you have nothing. I would agree to let the fed government pay their one way ticket out of here. That's something they could do!

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Mickey

Last Name: Kelly

Company:

Email: mickeykelly96@gmal.com

Subject: Common Core

Message:

Common Core does not belong in our school system. The federal government should not be involved in the academic pursuit of our school children.