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Subject: Stop Common Core

Message:

It is imperative that we put a stop to Common Core and C scope. I understand that states are strapped for money and that Bill Gates would like to fund part of it to certain states. However, No Child Left behind was a failure and now Common Core is NCLB all over again on steroids. Common core is invading privacy, data mining, costs 650 million alone for PA and it is unmandated. In addition, the new math standards under Common Core are placing emotional distress on kids who do not understand it. There was nothing wrong with how we were taught math and it made sense. The other objection is the reading aspect. Common core is saying that informational criteria is needed and you do not have to read literature. First, if common core is the movie then we have to understand that after we have read the book the movie is a huge disappointment. IN other words the book is always better than the movie. Lastly, the history is teaching about communist leaders in other countries that we do not recognize as good leaders. We need to teach about American leaders and values. Why are we dumbing down our kids? The only purpose that this has is to prevent our kids from wanting to achieve things and work hard for them. Common core is a disaster already in other states and they are dropping it. The other objection is the percentages behind the dibble reading test. It claims a 95% is failure. It is a A but kids are being told it is a failure. Common core's agenda of a one size fits all approach is unattainable because one size does not fit all. We are all individuals and different. It is sad when American leaders are selling out our kids for big business leaders who do not want our kids to achieve the American dream like they did. Seems unfair. Bill Gates does not know much about education what he knows is how to prevent someone from obtaining what he has. Maybe he has our best interests however we will never see the money. The cost will go on taxpayers for something that doesn't work or never been tested in other countries. one last thing in our school district we were #1 in 2004 one year before the implementation of NCLB. So, NCLB had nothing to do with our success but our failure because we are now #50 and continue to drop in scores. Please put an end to common core. Thank you.

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