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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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Subject: Common Core Standards Repeal

Message:

What we know about Common Core State Standards is: they are experimental, unproven standards which were drafted by two Washington DC trade associations neither of which has legislative authority from the states to draft such standards, Common Core copyright standards diminish dramatically (by 85%) the flexibility of local school boards, teachers and parents to enhance or alter testing (testing which by design dictates curriculum), data collection is required and not necessarily with permission from parents, and most importantly, there is not transparency as to who are the responsible parties in the event that these standards are ineffective or flawed. However, this is not the greatest of my concerns. Allowing any singular body to determine mandatory testing for our entire nation is a very dangerous move. Controlling the educational system in its entirety lends itself to the possibility of psychological control over the population. There will never be a perfect solution but OUR system, as it was originally designed, specifically grants oversight of education in the authority of each state. State sovereignty is a crucial element in maintaining a nation of free people. Without argument, we must address the issues surrounding education in this country but it must be state by state each searching for its own solution with its own boards who are ultimately accountable to the people. If we do not proceed in this manner, we become vulnerable to a system which could educate our children with knowledge which might neither support their well being nor that of our nation.

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