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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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Subject: Common Core

Message:

I am writing to express my concerns over the implementation of common core. The children of this country are our future and it is very important that we give them the tools they need to succeed and not limit them by standards that are based on average expectations. This country was forced to implement common core so that states could receive grant money. That is the wrong reason to put a program in place that is not proven and has been noted as inferior by those who have reviewed and implemented the program. In addition, you are taking on a program which may end up providing a lower education for our children at a much higher cost to the state. This government is beginning to set a pattern of implementing programs before the pros, cons, and costs have been fully evaluated. Although the grant money may be beneficial to the state, an inferior education is not beneficial to my child. In addition to the low standards and potentially high cost, I do not approve of the profiling of children. Each child is an individual and needs to be treated as such. Forcing them to take part in an education program based on criteria developed through data mining will limit a child's potential. My son and daughter both have ADHD. My daughter is not dumb but she struggled with school. She is now 20 years old and has finally discovered what works for her. My son is 10 and because he loves school, he is doing very well. Two kids, same problem, two different outcomes. They are unique and it will be up to them to determine their own futures based on their skills and desires. They should not be forced into a specific line of study or career training because a computer thinks it knows my child better than I do. Government control is out of hand. My children are my responsibility, not yours. My taxes pay for their education and I deserve to have a say in what is being taught to them. I am begging you; put our children before grant money. If not, their futures will be in jeopardy and there will be no turning back once the damage is done.

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