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**To:** Help  
**Subject:** IRRC Website - New Message



A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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**Subject:** Common Core

**Message:**

Reference IRRC No. 2976 Dear Mr. Sumner, Please put a stop to the implementation of Common Core immediately. First and foremost, no one can determine how much it will cost. Common Core is another unfunded mandate that Pennsylvania cannot afford. Our school districts are already struggling with budget problems. How can we implement something without knowing how much it will cost? In addition, Common Core will bring on additional testing that is a public health concern. Over-testing our students creates unnecessary stress and there is no proof of outcome. Children as young as 2nd grade are getting physically ill from the pressure these tests are creating. As the children get older, the stakes are higher and the psychological and physical consequences are even greater. There is a huge movement against high stakes testing here in Pennsylvania and with good reason. Opting out is becoming a movement. This is and will create an additional cost that has not been considered. Common Core is bad for Pennsylvania students and tax payers. Please stop this unfunded and unfounded regulation. Sincerely, Joanna Hoy

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