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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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Subject: Pennsylvania Common Core

Message:

As a parent, the more I learn about the new PA Core Standards, the more I am becoming concerned. First of all, the parents were not informed of this major change before or after these new standards were adopted and I was surprised, as many of parents were as well. Putting aside the very questionable tactics which these new standards were implemented and the people behind it, I don't feel that these new standards have been proven effective and that the State of Pennsylvania can afford the exhorbitant price tag associated with the new standards. Please keep in mind that we are already the 10th highest tax burden in the union and we are SO tired of politics, cronyism and the middle class tax payer getting stuck with the bill for all of the pricey governmental experiments which are designed more for the insiders that will make large profits than they are for the benefit of the citizens that work VERY hard for our paychecks. We are well aware of the high cost of implementing PA Common Core and the future high costs that will impact school districts over and over again. We are also aware that the Race ToThe Top grants and money from the 2009 stimulus bill helped with some of the cost, but when that money runs out, then what? The tax payers will face an even larger tax burden that's what. As a parent and a tax payer, I want my children to be educated by their LOCAL educators and their TEACHERS. That is our right as parents and as tax payers. LOCALLY, we should decide what's best for OUR children, not any other entity outside of our localities. Who do we hold accountable if the PA Common Core fails miserably or when we realize the State can't afford the high price tag? It will be as it usually is when things aren't handled locally. Everybody points their crooked fingers at somebody else and nobody will take responsibility. I for one don't want that to happen to my children. If their educational standards aren't working out, I as a parent need to know that we can repeal any current standards and replace them with what works in our schools. Please repeal the PA Core Standards. They're not good for my children and they are certainly not good for Pennsylvania.

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