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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

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Subject: Please STOP Common Core

Message:

Dear Mr. Sumner, Please put a STOP to the implementation of Common Core immediately. My husband and I are the proud parents of 2 sons in the WSSD. Like most parents, I was originally unaware of these standards. I reached out to our school, local representatives, and the Dept. of Education. I was concerned by the lack of awareness and limited details. I have read every document I could find, from the federal to local levels and was disturbed by what I discovered. The CC standards: - Impose national control - Restrict educators in their pursuit of excellence - Promote materials in direct violation with our moral values - Further burden the PA tax payers Here at WSSD, we are so blessed to have wonderful teachers, but these standards will make their jobs virtually impossible. Sometimes the truth is uncomfortable. We have allowed this to go on, and if we do not hold our educators and ourselves accountable, we deserve the repercussions of ignorance. We cannot stand idly by, while our rights are thrown aside by those who believe our children should be professional "learners", guinea pigs and "cogs in a wheel". They should be "thinkers". I want my children to "question with boldness" even the values I have instilled in them. While the education system has a right to their opinion, I have the ultimate, God given right as their parent to deem what is best for them. Common Core is not what is best for our children, its true motives have been exposed, and we are awake. To quote Dietrich Bonhoeffer: "Silence in the face of evil, is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act." For our children's sake we cannot be silent. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Lyanna L. Lusk

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