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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kelly

Last Name: Miller

Company:

Email: kmiller421@comcast.net

Subject: IRRC No. 2976

Message:

Dear Mr. Sumner, Please put a stop to the implementation of Pa Core Standards immediately. First and foremost, no one can determine how much it will cost. Our school districts are already plagued with budget problems and is trying to deal with the imminent pension crisis. Pa Core Standards are nothing more than another unfunded mandate. No one can confirm how much the implementation will cost let alone remediation. How can we implement something without knowing how much it will cost? This is senseless and dangerous. Further, Pa Core Standards will bring on additional testing that is a public health concern. Over testing our students is creating unnecessary stress with 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. High stakes testing affects the wellbeing of our students. Opting out is becoming a movement. This is and will create an additional cost that has not been considered. Pa Core Standards are bad for Pennsylvanian students and the tax payer. Please stop this unfunded and unfounded regulation. Sincerely, Kelly Miller

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First Name: Derek

Last Name: Miller

Company:

Email: revdwmiller@comcast.net

Subject: Stop PA Core Standards

Message:

Dear Mr. Sumner, I am greatly concerned about Pennsylvania adopting this new Core Standards in our schools. I believe their implementation would be a serious mistake, and I ask that you do all you can to stop their implementation. First and foremost, no one can determine how much it will cost. Our school districts are already strapped with budget problems and are trying to deal with the imminent pension crisis. Pa Core Standards are nothing more than another unfunded mandate. No one can confirm how much the implementation will cost let alone remediation. How can we implement something without knowing how much it will cost? This is senseless and dangerous. Further, Pa Core Standards will bring on even more testing that is having a negative effect on many of our children. Over testing our students is creating unnecessary stress with no proof of outcome. There is already a huge movement against high stakes testing here in PA and with good reason. Has this even been considered concerning these standards? Pa Core Standards are bad for Pennsylvanian students and the tax payer. Please stop this unfunded and unfounded regulation. Sincerely, Derek W. Miler

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: carolyn

Last Name: bulitta

Company:

Email: cbulitta@verizon.net

Subject: Common Core State Standards

Message:

Dear Mr. Sumner, Please put a stop to the implementation of PA core standards immediately! I am particularly concerned about the cost of implementation. The question is how much is it going to cost the tax payers of Pennsylvania? Our state is already fiscally challenged with budget problems and trying to deal with the imminent pension crisis. It has been attempted by the house and senate education committees to request how much this new mandate will cost the tax payers of Pennsylvania and the information from the DOE has not been forthcoming. How can we implement something without knowing how much it will cost? This is senseless and dangerous. Further, PA core standards will bring on additional testing that is a public health concern. Over testing our students is creating unnecessary stress with 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. High stakes testing affects the wellbeing of our students. This is and will create an additional cost that has not been considered, especially, being in the healthcare industry for 20 plus years. PA core standards are bad for Pennsylvanian students and the tax payer. Please stop this unfunded and unfounded regulation. Regards, Carolyn Bulitta

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Charles

Last Name: Mann

Company:

Email: Charlesmann17@gmail.com

Subject: PA Core standards

Message:

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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Kerry

Last Name: C

Company:

Email: kcar68@hotmail.com

Subject: Against PA Core Standards

Message:

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