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Dear Sir:

I am very opposed to the implementation of national education standards in Pennsylvania. There has been no open and transparent public debate on the national standards or their impact! What little bit of local control that Pennsylvania still has on education will be totally lost to federal control! The IRRC is deliberately moving forward in this effort to implement these massive changes while the legislature is not in session and everyone's attention is on the election.

There has only been one outside analysis done on the costs to PA taxpayers. The Pioneer Institute says it will cost us over \$650 million to implement this initiative. We can't afford this, nor should we even consider it!

Please STOP this implementation of national standards.

Kae Kirkwood

Evans City, PA

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"Help us, O LORD, our God, for we rest on You,  
and in Your name we go against this multitude."

II Chronicles 14:11