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To: IRRC
Subject: Do not adopt national standards

Hello,

My name is Beth Kloss. I have 3 children. Each child has various educational, social or mental health needs that do not fit a national standard.

Howard Gardner's, famous Psychologist, work around multiple intelligences has had a profound impact on thinking and practice in education, it would be great if the government would catch up and realize that paper and pencil tests are not designed to make every person shine. Only one of my kids would look good on paper. National mandates and standards neglect to take into account not everyone was designed to accomplish the same task. Most of all National standards mandate and infringe on religious freedom by forcing parents to teach things contrary to our conscious.

Why should I have to teach my child a National agenda that would conflict with the Standards my God sets forth?

The 11 year old was in a private Christian school until just this year; He is now home schooled. He his very smart and gifted in music and math.

The 6 year old has Apraxia of Speech. The 6 year old has a brain that understands everything yet his mouth doesn't 'get the information out' in a fashion others can process. He has mechanical abilities and is very atheletic.

My 4 year old is a dancer and already reads and writes.

Please do not let Pennsylvania adopt a Federal Standard for Education.

Thank You
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