

What is the worry about Common Core?

Background: From 2008 through 2010, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation provided \$35 million to a consortium of two non-governmental trade associations for the purposes of developing and implementing a new education system in the United States. The purpose was to promote Gate’s agenda including population control. (Gates is giving donations to education worldwide to control the international programs. In total he gave \$100 million to Common Core.)

The stimulus bill gave the President \$800 billion to do with as he wished. He marked \$4.35 billion for his education initiative. The Common Core State Standards Initiative (CCSSI) is a curriculum for all schools and all students prepared by the federal government. The President enticed governors to be part of the Race to The Top and receive extra money if states “committed” to adopting common standards. They could then get out of No Child Left Behind requirements and they were threatened that Title One funds would stop if they didn’t sign on. This was before the curricula and tests could be fully reviewed.

Some major problems with Common Core:

1. Education without Representation: CCSSI was never approved by Congress. The stimulus money was already there to be used however the executive branch wanted to use it. It was never approved by State legislators, State School Boards or local school boards. Once in, it cannot be changed locally.

2. Taxation without Representation: Local districts had no say but have to pay for at least half the costs.

3. Violates Federal Education Laws. To quote: **“The Federal Department of Education shall not be involved in developing, supervising, or controlling instructional materials or curriculum.”**

4. Indoctrination of students: CCSSI and its assessment tests, coming in 2014, were partially developed, supervised, and will be controlled under the direction of the Federal Department of Education. These tests will be based on politically correct criteria. Even the math section’s word problems promote social engineering and propaganda such as over population and “global warming” Will private Christian students and home schooling students have to pass these biased tests before entering college? Very possibly.

5. Benefits big corporations: Billions will be made by the Gates Foundation, as each student will be taught on a computer, and by the Pearson Foundation publication of e-books instead of text books. Both groups will be training the teachers, which will cost millions of tax payer monies. Pearson is based in England. Common Core is being promoted and implemented in countries across the globe.

6. CCSSI calls for Extensive, Invasive Data to be Collected on Students and Teachers: This is allowed because of the change in the privacy law in 2011 due to an Executive Order by the President. Teachers are now afraid to speak out against Common Core. They are told to forget their old ways of teaching or possibly lose their jobs.

7. Common Core Standards are not higher: Experts on the review committees refused to sign off on the Common Core math and English Literature sections because the standards were being lowered. Students are actually being dumbed down.

8. Wi fi and Computer Dangers to Children’s Health: A study done on rats showed that the more exposure to EMF (electro-magnetic fields) the more their immune systems were effected and the rate of cancer goes up. Many countries are removing Wi-Fi out of schools because of “cancer clusters”.

Cancers are rising in children.

9. Parent access is very limited: In Texas there is a very similar program, CSCOPE. Teachers sign a gag-order contract. All the curriculum is on line. The children have a login number as do the parents but the parents are allowed to only see a limited sample of what is actually being taught. One parent writes,

“Since they have decided to end the use of text books, I asked to have access to the CSCOPE web site so that I could help my kids study at home. I was denied a number of times, saying that they would have to purchase a license for me to gain access. I persisted and they eventually opened up a parent portal. The parent portal is absolutely worthless. I’ve asked many times to see what exactly the teachers are using to prepare their lessons, and they say they cannot allow access to that portion of the curriculum.”

RNC Passes Resolution to Shut Down Common Core Curriculum: The concerns about the federal Common Core curriculum and the national standards it would impose on local schools reached the level of the Republican National Committee Friday and was passed unanimously.

The RNC resolution reads in part: ... RESOLVED, the Republican National Committee recognizes the CCSS for what it is– an inappropriate overreach to standardize and control the education of our children so they will conform to a preconceived “normal,” and, be it further RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee rejects the collection of personal student data for any non-educational purpose without the prior written consent of an adult student or a child student’s parent and that it rejects the sharing of such personal data, without the prior written consent of an adult student or a child student’s parent, with any person or entity other than schools or education agencies within the state.

Complete language of the Resolution is found here: <http://truthinamericaneducation.com/common-corestate-standards/rnc-passes-anti-common-core-resolution-at-their-spring-meeting/>

What are educators saying about Common Core?

According to Stanley Kurtz, author of *Spreading the Wealth: How Obama is Robbing the Suburbs to Pay for the cities, one of Obama’s biggest plans to create socialism in America is Common Core.*

- 1) *a politicized curriculum that promotes leftist notions of “social justice.”*
- 2) *reducing “disparate outcomes” between students in different districts by undercutting standards.*
- 3) *and a redistribution of suburban education funding*

to less-well-off urban schools. Achieving these goals...requires the federal government to usurp local control of K-12 schooling.

Dr. Jay Greene, professor at the University of Arkansas, testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Education, and left this warning about the dangers of a national education system: *“If we discover a mistake or wish to try a new and possibly better approach, we can’t switch. We are stuck with whatever national choices we make for a very long time. And if we make a mistake, we will impose it on the entire country.”*

What to do?

- Equip yourself by going to www.cuacc.org.
To order the book Common Core, A Trojan Horse for Education Reform by Orlean Koehle go to www.smallhelmpressassociates.org
- Ask your local school board if they have accepted Common Core.
- Gather signatures and take in petitions for your school board from the web site www.cuacc.org.
- Do you want speakers to speak to your school board? Call Jeanne - 714-969-4758 for speakers.
- Write letters to the editor. Need help? 714-963-4753
- Parents can sign an opt out form: <http://truthinamericaneducation.com/uncategorized/cc-ss-parent-opt-out-form/>
- Encourage your Congressman to put in legislation that would reinstate the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) to protect our children against invasive data collection.
- Go to your search engine and put in words such as: Agenda 21, sustainability, globalism and watch the film *Agenda: Grinding America Down* by Curtis Bowers for an excellent overview. Trailer is on line.

In Conclusion: Education has gone from teaching students how to think to indoctrinating them with what to think. How do you change a free nation into a captive nation? You control the minds of the next generation. Every ones help is needed to turn this around. Our youth are our future.

“Just as a very small helm can turn about a great ship, it only takes one person, armed with truth and courage and willing to speak out, who can sometimes change the course of history.”
Orlean Koehle, President of Eagle Forum, California and author.