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New York's Education System and Common Core

Common Core is a federal program that was passed down to the states. Other states are now rejecting this federal program because it is costly and unworkable for local school districts. In New York, property taxpayers bear the greatest burden for funding our schools, so this federal program impacts them directly.



A comprehensive report of Common Core hearings from across the state, including those hosted by Assemblywoman Claudia Tenney, can be found at:

bit.ly/educationalcrossroads

Reforming Education for Our Children's Future

Reforming Common Core will give much-needed support to our teachers, improve technical and vocational programs, and allow teachers to focus on delivering the critical thinking skills that every child should gain from a sound, basic education.

I recently hosted two forums on education reform. These forums provided an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to voice their concerns about how excessive government interference and control hurt our children.

- Common Core was poorly implemented and caused undue stress on teachers and families.
- Though we all agree high standards are desirable, the Common Core curriculum as implemented often discourages our children from attaining a lifelong love of learning.
- Federal programs such as Common Core, Race to the Top and No Child Left Behind are more costly to implement and provide a greatly diminished return on investment to school districts and taxpayers.
- Unequal and unfair restoration of the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) to our upstate schools will have a devastating effect on our local school districts.
- \$340 million in taxpayer money was budgeted to launch Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) while many of our school districts cannot even fund the K-12 programs we have now.
- \$300 million of the UPK funding is allocated to New York City schools. New York City special interests drive the education agenda and upstate New York children are forced to bear the consequences of under funding.



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