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Dear Neighbor:

You are cordially invited to attend a special education forum sponsored by my office, entitled **"Unraveling Common Core and Education Reform"**. This event will be held on ***Wednesday, May 18 at 6 p.m. at Saugerties High School Auditorium in Saugerties.***

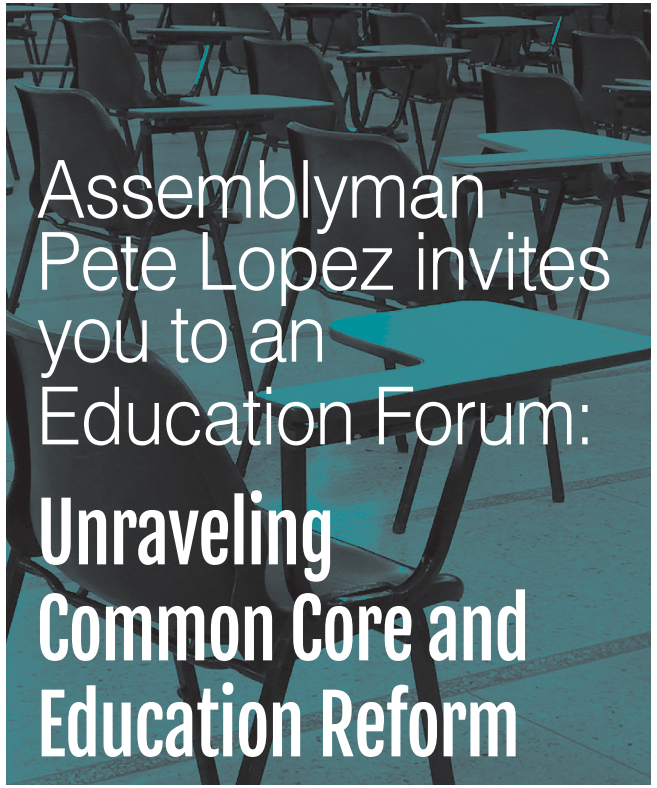
New York's education system has been in freefall for years. As the assemblyman for the 102nd AD and a member of the Assembly Committee on Education, I have been fighting tirelessly at the Capitol and throughout my seven-county district and beyond to reverse the destructive impact of top-down education programs, policies, and funding decisions that are dismantling our schools, administrators, teachers, students, and families.

Please join Dr. Peg Luksik and me as we specifically discuss the major issues surrounding Common Core, school funding, and equity in our schools and how these problems continue to impact students, families, teachers, and school districts. Engage with us as we come together as a community and pool our resources in order to develop best practices for immediate and necessary reform in the field of education.

Dr. Luksik is a well-renowned educator and speaker who actively advocates for students, teachers, and school districts. For 30 years, Dr. Luksik has provided instruction at every grade level from pre-school to college in both traditional classrooms and alternative educational settings, serving as an elementary and special education teacher. In addition to these roles, Dr. Luksik was employed by the U.S. Department of Education and hosted a nationally-syndicated television program dealing with education in America.

It is a privilege to have Dr. Luksik as my guest and partner as we fight to reform our schools. I encourage each of you to join us for a thorough, informative, and productive evening. Add your voice to the movement to revise, reshape, and refine New York's education system.

Sincerely,



Assemblyman Lopez: Unraveling Common Core and Education Reform

Common Core is a rushed, ineffective state-mandated educational program aimed at collecting federal education funding from President Obama's Race to the Top program. Our children have paid the price for this failed program. This program has led to:

- **One-size-fits-all curriculum**
- **Burdensome over testing**
- **Anxiety and stress in our children**

In addition, inequity in school funding and a myopic program emphasis from the State Education Department and the Board of Regents has put an entire generation of young people at risk, thereby denying them the opportunity to realize their fullest potential.

Our forum topics will address:

- **Standardized testing**
- **School to work**
- **Today's learning in the global world**
- **Equal opportunities for every student: school funding and equity**

A question-and-answer session will immediately follow these scheduled topics.

Join us:

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at Saugerties High School Auditorium, Saugerties

For more information on efforts to end Common Core and promote education reform, please visit Assemblyman Lopez's website at http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/mem/Peter-D-Lopez

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