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Common Core Standards are Bad for South Carolina's Children Learn from National Experts Why



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Ze'ev Wurman is a visiting scholar at the Hoover Institution. From 2007 to 2009, Wurman served as a Senior Adviser at the Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development in the U.S. Department of Education. Throughout the development of the Common Core standards in 2009-2010 he analyzed its mathematics draft standards for the Pioneer Institute and for the State of California. In the summer of 2010, he served on the California Academic Content Standards Commission that reviewed the adoption of Common Core for California.

University of Arkansas **Professor**

Sandra Stotsky is Professor Emerita of the University of Arkansas' Department of Education Reform. She is credited with developing one of the country's strongest sets of academic standards for K-12 students while serving as Senior Associate Commissioner in the Massachusetts Department of Education. She is also known nation-wide for her in-depth analyses of the problems in Common Core's English Language Arts (ELA). Professor Stotsky served as a member of the Common Core Standards Validation Committee.

Joy Pullman is a research fellow of The Heartland Institute and managing editor of School Reform News, a national monthly publication. In that capacity, she has interviewed and produced podcasts with many of the leading figures in school reform. Pullman is the 2013 recipient of a Robert Novak journalism fellowship for in-depth reporting on the Common Core standards. Pullmann has taught middle and high school students history, literature, and debate, and wrote high school public speaking curriculum. She graduated from the Hillsdale College honors program.

Freedom Works

Whitney Neal is the Grassroots Director for FreedomWorks. She is a former eighth grade United States History teacher and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Public Relations and a Master's Degree in Public Policy and Administration with an emphasis in Education Policy. She has testified before governing bodies and spoken to a variety of audiences about her research into the problems with the Common Core Standards.

South Carolina Senator

South Carolina Senator Larry Grooms was first elected to the South Carolina Senate in 1997. Senator Grooms is Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee and serves on the Senate Education Committee. He authored Senate member of House leader-Bill S 300, which will repeal Common Core. Senator Grooms has received many awards in his political career; the most notable of which are: the Palmetto Leadership Award, South Carolina Policy Council, 2007; the Legislative Champion, Palmetto Family Council, 2008; and the Taxpayer Champion Award, Club for Growth, 2008.

United States Senator

Senator Scott was sworn in to the U.S. Senate in January 2013. Prior to being sworn in to the Senate, Senator Scott served in the United States House of Representatives from 2011-2013, where he was a ship and sat on the influential House Rules Committee. Scott also served on Charleston County Council for thirteen years, including four terms as Chair and in the South Carolina House of Representatives for two years where he was elected Chairman of the Freshman Caucus and House Whip.



South Carolina Parents Involved in Education