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KAREN BRACKEN SPEAKS IN FRONT OF TN STATE CAPITOL - AUDIO ONLY [AUDIO](#)

ALL IS NOT SO GOOD IN TX

We may have Common Core but TX has CSCOPE which by some standards is much worse or at least on a par with CC. The problem is which came first the chicken or the egg. CSCOPE was being implemented in TX before CC. I believe CSCOPE was the pre-cursor or pilot program for CC. Regardless it is just as bad as CC and must be repealed too. Gov. Perry vowed to stop it but as of today

IF YOU'RE NOT OUTRAGED YOU'RE NOT PAYING ATTENTION

WE NEED TN EXAMPLES - PLEASE SEND TO ME WITH PERSONAL INFO REDACTED

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INSANE COMMON CORE WORKSHEETS

It appears as if many parents are sending examples of the crazy worksheets given to their children as part of the new Common Core standards to Michelle Malkin's Twitchy twitter account. We have a TN legislator that would like to see examples from Tennessee. SOOOOO PLEASE start looking closely at your children's work books. If they bring papers home to be signed please review them closely. If you find them confusing, vague and down right ridiculous please take a snapshot and send them to me. If your children are not bringing home books make contact with the school and insist your child bring books home. Parents have the right to know what their children are learning. I will create a folio of



Dr. McIntyre In The Bunker

Knox County Superintendent of schools is under extreme scrutiny by the teachers and parents of Knox County. He is a federal change agent sent to fundamentally transform education in TN. He is a 2006 graduate of Broad Academy (see last weeks newsletter for info on Broad). VIDEO WBIR was going to run a story about the fact that McIntyre is totally unqualified to be in his position and they were pressured not to run the story. [VIDEO](#)

PARENTAL RIGHTS vs

he has only provided lip service like many of the other Governors.
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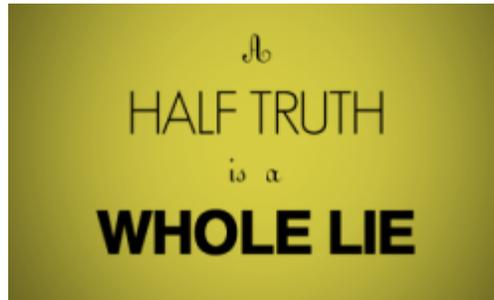
SAT CHANGES DELAYED
Well it appears as if we are going to catch a little break. I would love to know the real reason why the SAT being aligned with CC is now delayed until 2016 BUT this can only help our fight. Just one less thing we will have to repeal once we get CC repealed.
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COMMON CORE DOES NOT ADDRESS CHILDREN WITH IEP
Because they inflate the grades of kids with iEPs and lower the standards for everyone else to the lowest denominator. It is called the Dumbing Down of America.
[ARTICLE](#)

examples and send them to the Senator that has requested this information. NO NAMES will be forwarded just the examples.
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ANTI-COMMON CORE GROUP DENIED PARTICIPATION IN THE CHRISTMAS PARADE

I think we are making progress. People are noticing and are nervous. These people were denied access to their community Christmas parade even after they acquired a permit to be part of the celebration. I am sure we will hear more stories like this in the next year.
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WHO IS CHRIS BARBIC??
[MY SHORT ARTICLE](#)

After reading all the material I have sent over the past few months about Charter Schools, Teach For America, Chris Barbic, Kevin Huffman if you still do not believe Charters are bad i will include the following recent articles. One of these articles is from the Tennessee Common Core mouthpiece organization SCORE (Expect More Achieve More) The other is from the Washington Post. I have also in past newsletters supplied articles on Charters by Diane Ravitch, Charlotte Iserbyt and Dr. Chris Tienken. If you missed that information let me know and I will forward it to you in a separate email. **We were lied to about Obamacare. We were lied to about Race To The Top/Common Core. We ARE being lied to about Charter Schools.**

Although this article does not include Tennessee amongst the many states that are discussed it is apparent given the charter of our Achievement School District (which is made very clear in the article by SCORE) it still is applicable.
[WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE](#)

[SCORE ARTICLE](#) **PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK AND READ THIS ARTICLE**

After you read the SCORE article take note of the two Charter organizations. KIPP (Kevin Huffman worked for them too) They have very questionable practices AND if you look at the infamous US Dept. of Ed document "Promoting Grit, Tenacity and Perseverance (where they describe how our children will be electronically monitored and measured) KIPP is mentioned. They present the KIPP Character Report Card (I have attached an example of the report card) They also list Aspire as the other Charter organization.

[KIPP CHARACTER REPORT CARD](#) if you want more details and information about the report card let me know....but I am sure you get the idea. We are going to spend time measuring this stuff which again takes more time away from real education) **KIPP has received \$22,177,101 in grant money from Bill Gates.**

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History Connected:
The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America
[VIDEO](#)

TN STUDENT KEN YE TESTIFIES - A MUST SEE VIDEO
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THE ROOTS OF COMMON CORE OBAMA/AYARS
[ARTICLE](#)

IS OPTING OUT OF TESTING THE RIGHT THING TO DO?
I say **ABSOLUTELY!**
[ARTICLE](#)

COMMON CORE ALIGNS WITH COGNITIVE DISTORTION
This is a very thought provoking article.
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AWESOME 5 MIN. VIDEO
[VIDEO LINK](#)

ASPIRE PUBLIC (CHARTER) SCHOOLS - This organization has received \$28,840,329 in grants from Bill Gates. Now don't you feel so warm and cozy that our legislators made sure that we would only accept applications for Charter Schools run by non-profits. Someday we will see Bill Gates name hanging over every school in America.

Here is a chart that depicts the 3 largest funding organizations for Common Core and how many Charter organizations they are funding. Locate the 3 funders (Bill Gates, Eli Broad Foundation, Walton Family) on the chart then look at all the links to Charters they are funding. Charters are BIG business not better education!!

[CHART](#)

FBI investigating LA Gulen Charters Schools (Gulen has Charter Schools all over the country) Take note LA has a school district equivalent to our ASD. This was part of RTTT.

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THE "NEW" PARCC PRIVACY POLICY

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Do not buy into this smoke and mirror scheme. PARCC is being funded by the federal government to develop and implement the assessments. Part of their agreement with the federal government is to provide STUDENT LEVEL data to the federal government. Notice in their statement they say they will not share data without the permission of the STATE. They do not say without the permission of the PARENT. What they are saying is their new policy is nothing any different than their old policy. Understand the STATE entered into an agreement with the federal government too. The state agreed to collect this data and to make it available. Sorry people you must be on your toes at all times. **REPEAL COMMON CORE STANDARDS - KICK PARCC or SBAC OUT (this is just for starters)**

PARCC TRIAL IN TENNESSEE UPDATE

Tennessee has volunteered to participate in a trial of PARCC Assessments in the school year 2013-2014. 10% of students will be asked to participate. Participation is NOT MANDATORY. I have provided periodic updates on the schools that will be participating in the trial. They are currently in Phase 3 of the selection process. I was told on Wednesday by a contact at the state BOE they will have final list by mid January. I was told last month the selection process would be completed by mid December. Now it is mid January. As advised in the past. Just send a letter to your school principle advising them that your child will not be participating in this trial. Spread the word to other parents to do the same. If your school is not selected then you will be home safe but if your school is selected chances are you might miss the boat. So I suggest you do it now. Make them aware you do not want your child to participate and make sure your request is documented.

PEARSON IS BEING SUED FOR \$7.7 MILLION - TIME TO REMOVE THEM FROM TENNESSEE COMPLETELY

[NY TIMES ARTICLE](#)

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