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Subject: “*Why Common Core Rebellion Fell Short*”

Dear Mr. Scott:

In your second paragraph, you state that 2013 was the first time CCSS “...had become so heartily politicized.” And that the Obama administration’s support of CCSS was the *cul- prit* causing public opposition.

The Administration has never been the *culprit* instigating opposition to CCSS.

The truth is, opposition to CC has come from American *patriots*, law-abiding citizens who believe the U. S. Constitution is still the Supreme Law of the Land.

It was crafted by wise men who had studied all forms of government, and had fled to this continent to escape the tyranny of a dictatorial King. They sought *freedom* and *liberty* from a dictator, and the oppressive top-heavy government.

The Constitution is a clearly defined list of *enumerated powers* that *we the people* imposed on the federal government that *we the people* created. The government did not create us!

You will never find one statement in the Constitution that even implies the federal government has any control, responsibility for public education! Including the abused and misused *elastic clause*.

However, you *will* find strictly enumerated powers listed, and limited, to the feds.

The Tenth Amendment (still law, the last I heard), specifically denies responsibility to the federal government over education! In addition, the Northwest Ordinance (still law) makes it clear that education is the responsibility of the State, not the federal government.

Because of these clear and defined *enumerated powers* that *we the people* allowed the federal government, the federal Education Department is absolutely UNConstitutional!

Keep in mind that the federal government did not create ***we the people!*** *We the people* did create the federal government and put a straight jacket around it called the Constitution!

You have done a great disservice to legitimate journalism stating that opposition to CCSS is a “political issue.” It is NOT politicalit is Constitutional!

To state that Tea Party, Republicans, conservatives, are the *opponents* is grossly misleading and deceptive. Opposers are Constitutional Americans who demand that the federal government *obey and enforce the Constitution!*

It is such carefully selected code words that journalists use to deceive and mislead the public.

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Chris Minnich (CCSSO) parrots the Socialist mantra “...*if you are for the kids.*” Of course, we are *for the kids*, and that is the second major reason we oppose CCSS. The first being it is UNConstitutional!

IF our Congress critters enforced Constitutional law, our nation would not be in the shape it is in today! They have abandoned their responsibilities of legislating and governing, just putting on a dog and pony show to make the gullible citizens think they are working hard! If you read the Constitution, it gives Congress major control over *federal* government, with little power to the other two Branches.

Congress people are supposed to represent the voters, but when 73% of the people oppose some issue, they still vote for it. Where is the rule of *we the people*?

Your carefully selected wording (*a healthy coalition of conservatives*) is another example of deceptive journalism. There is no such group that will support violating the Constitution!

One Judith Rizzo (N. C.) wrote “There has been *remarkably quiet opposition* to CC.” That is because the public knew nothing about it until about 2009. At that time, the public was given the same treatment that Nancy Pelosi gave us when she ranted “Pass it and then find out what’s in it!” Frankly, only about half the CC standards have been completed at this date.

And, as the public becomes aware of the deceptive aspects of CC, they are opposing it. You had mentioned a “*wide spread revolt,*” which did not occur. That was because there was *wide spread silence* by the media to inform the public about CC.

The federal government has forced their *programs* (I call “headgames”) on public education. Recall: Outbased Education (*failed!*), School to Work (*failed*), No Child Left Behind (*failed*), Race to the Top (*failed!*), and now their newest headgame: CCSS! There is not one shred of evidence that it will improve education, since it has never been tested!

That means, our children will continue to be lab rats, guinea pigs for the federal governments games! The result: more dumbed down education.

I have spent nearly two years researching and studying CC. What I find is appalling!

American citizens who cherish their freedoms and liberty will demand that the federal Dept. of Education be defunded immediately, and that Congress will obey Constitutional law or find another job!

I trust that my remarks will spark a renewed interest in you to do better research on CC.

Respectfully,

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