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We do understand that federal funding mandates that the Common Core Curriculum be instituted in NYS to insure NYS gets its share of federal money. I do believe there was a deadline to institute the Common Core.

We feel that the Common Core was not reviewed/tested adequately by the NYSED and was forced upon school districts.

Unfair testing and lack of textbooks provided by NYSED is a second issue. Lack of acceptance by staff is a huge issue.

Proper funding for books so that books which serve as curriculum and guides for teachers was not provided. Some teachers felt that a lack of direction by SED made them feel they didn't know what they were supposed to teach.

There were no National Summer Institutes that provided training over a period of years that I know about.

Lack of faith in the NYSED is a huge issue as was seen in protests which led to a resignation of a commissioner.

Are the people in NYSED certified teachers?

The linking of COMMON CORE CURRICULUM TO TEACHER EVALUATION is an ill thought out plan. How unfair!

The NYSED definitely appears to be out of touch with those on the front lines working with students.

There definitely was a rush to change a basic philosophical pedagogical methods. Students learn in different styles and at different rates

and learning should be individualized. Shame on the NYSSSED.

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