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"The common core curriculum should be completely removed from our school system for several reasons. The first and most important being the developmentally inappropriate standards. The next is the inappropriate political influence on the topics and resources. Third, the testing is at least flawed and at worst harmful to the development of our children. Fourth, the government needs to remove itself from the control of education and give it back to the local school boards. Yes, there should be general standards to be met at certain grade levels, but the school board as selected by the community, the administration and the teachers should implement curriculum. Students and teachers are being set up to fail with the current system. This is beyond unacceptably. It is harmful to our youth, teachers and communities."