

**Sedgwick County Republican Party Resolution Supporting the
Full Repeal of Common Core and the
Return to Local Control of Kansas Education**

WHEREAS Common Core is a top-down, one-size-fits-all approach to educating children which removes any and all local control, and which does not allow for an atmosphere conducive to learning and does not make room for diversity in culture, special needs children, advanced children, or unique Kansas needs. And;

WHEREAS Common Core is a system where children are preyed upon – where sensitive and highly personal data is gathered that will follow the child throughout their school years and beyond. And;

WHEREAS Common Core is a system where teachers are not treated as professionals, but are instead treated as facilitators that are evaluated and paid based on faulty standards and skewed state assessments. And;

WHEREAS the estimated cost to maintain the burden of Common Core is upwards of \$800 million per year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sedgwick County Republican Party supports and urges the Kansas House, Kansas Senate, and Kansas Governor to support the passage of a bill that:

- Protects children by giving parents the power to stop the predatory collection and distribution of their children's sensitive and highly private personal data.
- Protects teachers from the practice of teacher evaluations and pay being based on skewed state assessments, especially the current assessments aligned with Common Core.
- Ceases every implementation of the Common Core Standards Initiative in Kansas, completely repealing Common Core and aligned tests and related standards.
- Eliminates every association with the consortia associated with the "Race to the Top" program and Kansas College and Career Ready standards.
- Re-establishes local control of education in Kansas and prevents Kansas from ceding any control to entities not allowed authority over Kansas education as per Article 6 of the Kansas Constitution.