

So... I know
I don't like
Common Core,
but what do I *do*?

Do your own homework and get empowered! Dig into the facts and find out what concerns *you* have and *why*. It doesn't take as long as you might think, and it will make your conversations with people much more effective.

Sign the Petition at www.utahnsagainstcommoncore.com. Show how many of us there are!

Inform your friends and neighbors. While emails can be a great way to communicate, a personal discussion is much better. Some write letters detailing why they are concerned and hand-deliver them to friends and neighbors. Consider hosting a presentation - many great speakers are willing to come to your home.

Link up with others! Have contacts both in your neighborhood and with individuals in other areas or who could alert you about things from a higher level.

Contact your legislators and governor. Meet with them in person, if possible, and express your concerns. Consider bringing a friend or two. Be courteous, persuasive, and positive. Also, share your concerns with your child's teacher.

Be respectful and calm as you make your case. Most who are part of the legislative or educational system are not responsible for bringing Common Core to your school. Many teachers believe it will help them do their job better. Being combative will hurt your progress. Use the facts and your principles to win them over.

Be confident. These are *your* children and *your* tax dollars. Nobody has more business discussing this than you do!

Don't look for central leadership. This started as a grass-roots movement and that is its power. A big group moving in unison and sending form letters is much easier to ignore than individuals working on their own. Find web sites that give useful information and calendar events but don't wait to be told what to do.

Be creative and take initiative. Get with others in your community and figure this out. Use your influence to gather and share information. Look for ways to get the word out and do the things that will make a difference.

This list of suggestions was made by some concerned parents.
An online version of this flier contact info, speakers, and other resources:
www.UtahnsAgainstCommonCore.com/action-list

