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Ex-Textbook Company Exec. Admits: Common Core Has Anti-American, Anti-Christian Agenda

Islam is in and Christianity is out, the Founding Fathers are just “dead white guys,” “D**n the Second Amendment,” and people who oppose Common Core are “idiots.” These are just a few of the sentiments expressed by a former marketing executive for textbook publishing giant Pearson Education, as she reveals on hidden camera that the federal government’s Common Core and Advanced Placement U.S. History framework are designed to indoctrinate America’s children with a leftist world view.



Kim Koerber made the startling comments in the third video (below) of a Project Veritas series on Common Core, the controversial educational scheme Barack Obama has sought to impose on states nationwide. As Project Veritas [reports](#), the former Pearson insider, “who now works for *National Geographic*, was caught on camera justifying the Common Core curriculum on the grounds of anti-American and unconstitutional values. ‘People that are not educated, Fox TV viewers, think that Common Core comes from the educated liberal groups and that’s why they are against it...,’ revealed Koerber to undercover Project Veritas journalists.”

Unaware she was being recorded, Koerber let her hair down — and the put-downs flowed freely. On the Founding Fathers she said, “I did a big presentation yesterday for AP US History and the AP US History agenda was set, until Texas got upset about it and they wanted to have their founders — they wanted founders in it. And it’s like, come on, the dead white guys did not create this country. It was a whole bunch of different kinds of people.... They want to talk about those dead white guys.”

Critics might wonder how Koerber would react if Martin Luther King were diminished by being characterized as merely a “dead black guy.” Regardless, history is what it is, not what social engineers might wish it to be. The fact is that all 56 signatories to the Declaration of Independence and all those who crafted our Constitution — the very foundation for our government — were white men.

But while this anti-American spirit characterizes Common Core, it’s nothing new. As I [reported](#) in 2006, “In the textbook *Creating America* (A better title would be *Creating History*), the authors identify 10 representative American heroes. But while neither Thomas Jefferson nor Benjamin Franklin was among them, the list does [include](#): Abigail Adams, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Ida B. Wells, Queen Liliuokalani and ... Zitkala-Sa.... Yet another book had *five pages about Marilyn Monroe but only five lines about George Washington.*”

Speaking of the Founders, John Adams wrote in 1796, “The Christian religion is, above all the religions that ever prevailed or existed in ancient or modern times, the religion of wisdom, virtue, equity and humanity.” But Koerber obviously disagrees. She also had the following exchange with the Project Veritas reporter:



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Project Veritas: Christianity is totally out of the common core?

Koerber: Yes it is, totally. It's not a core concept at all.

Project Veritas: But then there is a mention of other religions like Islam.

Koerber: Yeah well you have to because...

Project Veritas: So how did Islam get worked in?

Koerber: Islam ... they said you have to talk about Islam, you have to talk about Judaism and you have to talk about Christianity and they wanted to make it big about Christianity; no it's like, everybody needs to know about everything else.

In the same vein, Koerber also said that it's "offensive to have these [Christian] prayers in the school board." The reality, however, is that Congress has opened with prayers from the time of our nation's very founding, evidencing how government — even the central government — could acknowledge God's providence and appeal to Him for guidance. The phrase "the separation of church and state," which Koerber claimed conservatives "don't understand," is not in the Constitution because it was a minority view when the document was crafted; and even among that minority, the "separation" involved keeping government out of religion, not religion out of government. As for the Establishment Clause, it merely prohibits the creation of a national church. Anyone saying otherwise is making the tacit claim that he understands the Constitution better than the men who wrote it.

While Koerber condemned conservatives for supposedly not wanting to teach all of the Constitution, she seemingly contradicted herself, saying that you "should know a little bit about" the document but "shouldn't have to memorize the thing" and that it's "not a necessity for the kids." She also wasn't very fond of some of it, saying "D**n the Second Amendment. I don't think personal handguns need to be on anyone except the government, the police. What is the purpose of having a gun?" Of course, one could then ask: What's the purpose of the police having guns? If Koerber can answer that question, she'll be able to answer her own. Note that the Supreme Court [ruled](#) in 2005 that the police have no constitutional obligation to protect you from harm.

Koerber's apparent contempt for our history and traditions not surprisingly extended to the old West. While defending Pearson's insistence on relating to schoolchildren that there were prostitutes present during that era (as if that's unusual), she said, "The Wild West was not a nice place. And our kids need to know that that's what it was like, you know."

The truth, however, is that the "Wild West" wasn't all that wild. As the *Independent Review* [wrote](#) in its 2010 essay "The Culture of Violence in the American West: Myth versus Reality": "Contrary to popular perception, the Old West was much more peaceful than American cities are today.... Actual history concludes that the civil society of the American West in the nineteenth century was *not* very violent." The notion of a "Wild West" largely comes from Dime Western novelists, who, like modern filmmakers, fictionalized accounts of frontier happenings in order to make money and entertain the public.

Yet despite Koerber's apparent ignorance, she calls opponents of Common Core "idiots." But she also reveals that the textbook companies, in collusion with the government, are playing Americans for fools. Alluding to how Common Core is a money-making scheme, she revealed, "Anytime a change happens that has to be put in a textbook, suddenly the school district has to adopt new books." Ka-ching.

The good news is that a great number of states are [rejecting](#) Common Core, and presidential hopefuls are speaking out against it. As Project Veritas writes:



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“Nobody can win when you’re in favor of Common Core. It’s a disaster,” said Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump [speaking to a South Carolina audience]...

“I haven’t seen the video on Common Core,” said Senator Ted Cruz. “I saw that he [PV head James O’Keefe] did it. I’ve seen a lot of his other videos.... I’ll tell you this, as President I will instruct the Department of Education to end Common Core on day one.”

“The real issues for Common Core is the elites in our culture who want to indoctrinate our young people into a certain way to think, a certain belief structure, and it’s all spread out through Common Core,” said former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum.

For sure. And as Abraham Lincoln warned, “The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next.” Common Core today — communist corps tomorrow.





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