



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

James L. Seward

## Senator Seward Flunks Regents

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**ALBANY, 03/11/14 --** State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I – Oneonta) today voted no on all of the candidates for four vacancies on the New York State Education Board of Regents.

**“I voted no on all nominees for three reasons – to express no-confidence in the incumbent regents seeking re-election, to challenge the flawed selection process used to choose the candidates, and, most importantly, to speak for frustrated students, parents and teachers fed up with the failed implementation of Common Core.**

**“The regents have failed our school children, period. Since we are making students, teachers, and parents more accountable, I support accountability, and it’s time the regents owned up to their role**

in the botched roll out of the Common Core Learning Standards and the mishandling of student privacy issues.

**“Like our teachers, parents and school administrators, I am committed to higher standards in our schools. However, the implementation of Common Core has been ineffective and disruptive to learning. In the coming weeks, I will continue to work toward changes to improve the atmosphere for learning in our classrooms and help prepare our students for future success.”**