

After viewing the proposed middle school Science curricula (Pearson) at Sioux Falls School district IPC, Wednesday, I'd like to warn SD DOE, administrators, and teachers that each of the on-line books at all levels ask the student to "be the author" of the book, by entering in their personal data, including an "autobiography." This is a blatantly dangerous proposition, since parents are not consulted to give permission for their children to be inputting family data as well as ongoing "intellectual property" belonging to the student, through their ongoing discussions of the contents of the book throughout the school year. This 'intellectual property' will be data used to write Pearson's next textbook/assessment and has monetary value. I highly encourage thorough discussion of this by the board and educators using Pearson or any national consortia's curricula. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Catherine Billion Sioux Falls

