

I have strong concerns for our educational system, the No Child Left Behind Act certainly sets the parameters to academically develop a child's mind so they will have the ability to excel and compete effectively at a higher level of learning institution. Existing national law was produce with an urban mind setting where resources are avail such as a library. Libraries have encyclopedia's, dictionaries, a variety selection of books for research, computers, recorders ...but rural Arizonians do not have city urban luxury to build a child. NCLBA as well Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards within AZ LEARNS certainly only addresses a part of the over all view, it only addresses the academic part of the process. We need to also consider a child's home environment, culture and practices to holistically build a child so they will become self sufficiency and contributing members of society. Times are challenging these days, but we surely will entertain effective methods and means to seek resources to preserve and protect our children's learning system.

