

My name is Barbara Louise Bowling. I have a doctorate in Plant Physiology, and worked as a professor at Rutgers and Penn State Universities for 15 years. One does not “believe” in Global Warming. Rather, one evaluates evidence, and listens to scientists who have made it their life’s work to study climate related phenomena objectively. After doing so, I am convinced that

- a) climate change is real, and
- b) the majority of the increase in greenhouse gases is due to human activity.

It has been stated that the current proposed curriculum only presents one side of the global warming story. . . a negative one. It has been stated that “plants like CO₂”, so increasing it, along with global temperature is a good thing. This simple minded uneducated statement fails to deal with the complexity of the very convoluted and interconnected ecosystems on planet earth. The point here, ladies and gentlemen, is that political bodies should not be dictating what we teach our children. They are inserting politics into science and education, and we all know that is a prescription for disaster. Let’s all support the folks who know the science, and who have made it their life’s work to provide an education to our people.