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Subject: Re: Editorial

Or if they downsize or close it could be because parents want to teach their children religious info which cannot be done in a public institution since it is illegal and maybe school vouchers being used for religious reasons are unconstitutional and the schools that close or downsize are the results of vouchers being used to achieve religious goals and not dissatisfaction with the quality of the schools.

Also, why should home schooled children be able to use extracurricular facilities if the parents get tax credits in the form of vouchers. Seems grossly unfair to me.

Best Regards

Howard

On Mon, May 21, 2018 at 12:05 PM -0400, "Lt. Governor's Office" <LtGov@scstatehouse.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon Howard,

Reasons for the departures of teachers are not tabulated at the district or state level, but you are right that it would be interesting to know them by rank. I cannot agree that parents and students must be kept in a school that does not serve them simply in order feed the beast. But, you are correct that some schools might suffer enough of an exodus that they must downsize or close. That, of course, would be a reflection upon their quality, in the first place, and thus proof of the salutary effects of the market.

Best Regards,

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Kevin,

I read your editorial in the Greenville News. Very interesting. You might want to consider listing the reasons the teacher turnover is as high as it is. Your article may pack more punch if you did. Pregnancy, msraige or maybe just feed up with the situation.

School choice and public education are at odds. If ten percent of the students leave a school then the fixed cost of operating that school per student increases by ten percent. Where does the extra funding come from? You have reduced the taxes of the parent who removed the child from the school but still require the school to provide all services to the remainder of the students. Do you reduce the staff by ten percent, cut back on sports programs by ten percent, or maybe just reduce government salaries across the board by ten percent.

Give it some thought

A straight forward reply would be appreciated.

Best Regards

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