

The Immediate Problem with Universal Vouchers for State Officials is Finding Hundreds of Millions in the State Coffers

The Ohio General Assembly is primed to adopt a policy of universal vouchers in the next budget cycle (FY24 and FY25), if not in the lame duck session. The immediate consequence of universal vouchers would be about a billion dollars per year extracted from basic aid line items for school districts without any more students leaving public schools on vouchers. Those already paying tuition and those on homeschooling would own the billion dollars, and traditional public school would have a billion dollars less with the same number of students to educate.