

**Responsibility of the State, and Local Boards of Education for Students Who Opt Out of the Common School System Using Tax-Supported Vouchers.**

Credible research is clear: voucher students do not perform as well in a private school setting as their peers enrolled in resident district school. The Ohio Constitution requires the state to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state. Also the state is constitutionally-required to provide, by law, for the organization, administration and control of the public school system of the state supported by public funds.

The state only nominally provides for the organization, administration and control of private schools. The constitutional standard of thorough and efficient is not applied by the state to private schools. However, the state pays private schools for educating voucher-holder students whose school is not held to the constitutional standard of thorough and efficient. Is it legal for the state to support with tax money a school entity that is not subject to constitutional standard? Are school district boards of education constitutionally required to ensure that resident students attend schools that are publicly governed and meet the same constitutional standards applied to the public common school system?

The EdChoice voucher scheme is a fraudulent imitation of the constitutionally-required common school system. It is being challenged in Court and will be declared unconstitutional.