MARCH 31: MATT ZALAZNICK: ARE STUDENTS SUCCEEDING WHEN THEY CHOOSE VOUCHERS TO LEAVE PUBLIC SCHOOL?

Zalaznick shows via recent research in Ohio and two other states that voucher students are served less well than public school students.

Years ago there had been a myth that the typical private schools are inherently better than public schools (i.e.) there is a private school advantage. Research shows, however, that when controlled for demographics there is a public school advantage, not a private school advantage.

Public schools serve all students. Private schools serve a selected student population.

It should be no surprise that voucher students attending private schools do less well than their peers in the public system, as Matt Zalaznick's <u>article</u> indicates.