\$20 billion left Ohio public school districts, going to private school vouchers and charter schools from fiscal year 1999 through fiscal year 2023.

In fiscal year 1999, voucher funding was \$5.7 million and charter funding was \$10.8 million—a somewhat modest beginning. In fiscal year 2023, charter funding exceeded \$1 billion and voucher funding exceeded \$610 million.

The attached <u>table</u> shows that charter funding has leveled off in the range of \$1 billion. Voucher funding continues to escalate and will likely surpass charter funding in fiscal year 2024 and beyond.

Charter and voucher funding have no ceiling. Those tax expenditures are an open checkbook.

Charter and voucher deductions