

Turns out that lower income folks are subsidizing the private education programs of the higher income folks in Ohio.

Private schools have always been populated by those that can afford private school tuition. The voucher zealots initially sold the tax-funded voucher program by a disingenuous sales pitch—give poor kids in high poverty districts the opportunity for a private school education.

The universal voucher system adopted in HB33 primarily benefits the more affluent folks whose school children were already enrolled in private schools. With the advent of universal vouchers, private school tuition rates are typically escalating; hence, lower income folks will not have the financial capacity to use private school vouchers. The result of this scheme is that a disproportionate percentage of the tax-funded vouchers will go to the more affluent folks. Therefore, all taxpayers will subsidize a scheme which only affluent folks can access.