

Private schools have multiple sources of tax money: Tuition Tax Credits is a new taxpayer donation to private schools.

Some Ohioans may not be aware that private schools have several taxpayer revenue streams which flow into their coffers (the State Auditor does not audit private schools), in addition to tax-funded vouchers. Public school districts are required to transport private school students, which costs Ohio taxpayers multiplied-millions of dollars each school term. There is more. Private schools receive hundreds of millions in auxiliary services and nonpublic administrative cost reimbursement. Tax-funded vouchers are on top of these direct payments.

Private schools also benefit from a new scheme called Tuition Tax Credits. This program redirects the tax liability of individuals in the amount of \$750 per taxpayer per year for individuals that contribute that amount to private schools. The attached flyer illustrates the process.

You will note that the flyer states, "Gifts benefit tuition assistance at your choice of St. Xavier High School, Xavier Jesuit Academy, or the greater need." What is the greater need?

Note that the tuition tax credit dollars flow directly to the private school.

A redirection of tax liability to a private school is the same as a government subsidy to the private school. This state policy is mindless.