

Ohio taxpayers should be articulating opposition to legislation that increases the demand for EdChoice vouchers—private school facility funding in the recent capital improvements legislation should inspire Ohioans to speak out in opposition.

First it was a few vouchers in Cleveland. Then it was vouchers for poor kids in high poverty school districts. Then it was vouchers for low-income folks. Now the state policy is universal vouchers. But this is not enough for the voucher crowd. The Senate President wants to increase the demand for vouchers by building facilities for private schools at public expense.

The most recent state Capital Improvements Bill includes funding for private schools as listed in the October 10 [Ohio Newsroom article](#). This funding deal opens the door to a massive private school construction bonanza at taxpayers' expense. Half of Ohio school districts are still in need of state facilities assistance. Facility projects for private schools will guarantee delays in state building assistance to public school districts in need of facility construction projects. Only one-half of Ohio's school districts have their facilities master plan completed.

Where is the outrage?