

**The Ohio universal voucher scheme is a reverse Robin Hood maneuver.**

As Ohio's universal voucher law is being implemented, it is evident that it is playing out as it was designed by the voucher zealots—subsidizing private school tuition for affluent private school patrons. The result is that low-income families are typically not financially able to patronize private schools. This public policy primarily shifts tax revenue to the more affluent citizens away from the less affluent--a reverse Robin Hood strategy. The Senate Education Committee Chair, a rabid voucher zealot, remarked in a media quote that it is about time that wealthy folks get some of their tax money back. The idea is to reward the affluent to the detriment of the less affluent. What happened to the idea that vouchers were initiated to give poor kids in high poverty districts the opportunity to attend private schools?

The reverse Robin Hood doctrine is alive at the Ohio Statehouse.