

The school choice (education privatization) groups are euphoric about the administration's evisceration of the U.S. Department of Education and the administration's zeal for expanding school choice (privatization): Ushering in "a golden age in American education", said one choice group.

American Federation for Children (AFC).

AFC boasts about passing over 200 laws across 31 states. AFC proclaims that it is the most successful force for education freedom (school privatization) in America. They gloat that the elimination of the U.S. Department of Education and the education privatization movement is ushering in "a golden era of American education", according to a spokesperson for this group. The actual nature of the education being ushered in is segregation on several fronts, dumbing down of education, replacement of the common school as the center of the community, rejection of the common good, and the intensification of civil discord. The real golden age of American education was ushered in in Ohio by the 1851 Ohio constitutional provision that requires the state to secure a thorough and efficient system of public common schools. This notable mandate to the General Assembly of Ohio requires that all school children are equally-valued and served in the public school venue.

The Center for Education Reform (CER)

CER was founded in 1993 to expand school choice (privatization). This group, like other education privatizers, has a great disdain for public schools—boards of education, public school personnel, school unions, etc. A spokesperson for CER stated: "This move (regarding the downsizing of the U.S. Department of Education) paves the way for federal funds 'to follow the students.'"

These privatizers support any and all policies that direct funds away from the public common school system. Taxpayers need to understand that privatizers want all tax money appropriated for education to end up in private schools or other private hands.