

Some politicians are afraid of the efficacy of the public common school.

Even though there has typically been only a modicum of financial support from the state level across America, the public common school has a marvelous record of success. Without the public common school, the financial wellbeing of Americans and the well-placed position of the nation in world leadership would not have been accomplished. Without the common school, the freedoms enjoyed by our fellow countrymen would never have survived.

The public common school enjoyed a continuing healthy dose of political support and at least a modicum of financial support until the doom heaped on the system by the dishonest, deceitful, duplicitous Nation at Risk report issued by the Reagan administration in 1983. Subsequent to that intentionally hostile, malicious report, the vicious attacks on the public common school system from the politician establishment have continued for more than four decades. Federal and state policies, in the name of “reform”, have eroded the capacity of the system to produce more excellent results.

The private sector has aided and abetted the political assault on the public common school system. Public education funds are being transferred to the private sector (i.e.) charters, vouchers, and other private venues at an alarming rate.

Some politicians favor the privatization of public education due to campaign contributions being freely available from the private sector. These politicians know that the private sector will, in some cases, shortchange students to gain more profit and in other cases, expand their religious or philosophical outreach to the detriment of the education of students both in the public and private sector. The ECOT online charter school debacle is a prime example of politicians protecting corruption in the private education sector.

Additionally, some autocratic-oriented politicians want to dumb down the population as a means of reducing resistance to their nefarious policies. Hence, they fear the efficacy of the public common school system. Those who are educated in a well-funded public common school system have the capacity to resist the autocrats.