Joint (House and Senate) Caucus on School Choice has been formed.

It appears that some members of the House and Senate are gearing up to expand the school privatization frenzy. Their first order of business for them should be to study the responsibility of the General Assembly to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state and that, "no religious or other sect, or sects shall ever have any exclusive right to, or control of, any part of the school funds of this state." (Article VI, section 2) This is an important consideration in as much as each legislator took an oath to uphold the Constitution of Ohio.

The second order of business for this new caucus should be a discussion on how the General Assembly can phase out the school privatization programs that are being currently funded by taxes.

More than 325 boards of education have joined together to challenge the constitutionality of the EdChoice voucher program. We need to double that number this fiscal year.

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