

**Appropriations in the Capital Improvements Bill (SB450) include funds for private school facilities and privately-operated charters.**

Here we go again! SB450, like the previous Capital Appropriations Bill, has earmarks for private schools and charter schools.

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One might reason that the total appropriation for private school facilities is only a few million. That is the same political thought process that lulled the education community to sleep regarding the EdChoice voucher scheme. They started with a small amount of tax support and then increased the amount year by year. By the time the public education community awoke, the universal EdChoice voucher scheme had blossomed into a hardy scheme that now overshadows the public common school system.

Will the politically naïve public education community ever wholehearted come to the defense of the public common school system? The Ohio Delegates to the 1850/1851 Constitutional Convention did their part. What are we waiting on?