

I urge you to vote against requiring private schools to be forced into the umbrella of the ODE. There are many of us who do not like what we see in the public school system. Teachers who can't discipline when it's necessary, teachers who are tenured but don't teach, teachers who act out against students whose values/beliefs/ideas do not align with their own.

It's not just conservative minded parents seeking private education. Parents seeking a higher level of education and accountability for their children should be able to choose a private school that fits their children's needs/desires/talents. It is unfortunate that public schools have declined so much since my own years at school. It's unfortunate that the ODE feels they have the right to control my child. My husband and I made sacrifices to send our kids to private school because we felt it was the best place for them. I don't regret our choice, the money spent, the house we couldn't buy until they were done. The government has no right to control private education if a family opts to take a route alternate to public school.