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CHILDREN

... our hope for the future
... our most precious resource!

A free pluralistic society requires that its children be well-educated and that families not be prohibited either legally or financially from choosing the education they wish for their children, the education that meets their needs and lives up to their moral, cultural, and religious heritage.

PRO-LIFE families have a right to God-centered schools, free from government-imposed sex education and abortion indoctrination



CEF invites you to join
the battle for
CHOICE in Education!

PRO-LIFE FAMILIES



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CEF Principles

THE CHILD DOES NOT BELONG TO THE STATE. Parents have the primary right and responsibility in the education of their children. Therefore they must be able to select either government or non-government operated schools for their children... regardless of religious orientation, and without financial penalty or government interference.

FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE, THE STATE MAY REQUIRE MINIMAL EDUCATION OF ALL CITIZENS. Therefore it should be the duty of the state to financially assist all parents in meeting compulsory education laws, including parents who send their children to non-government operated schools. Otherwise, government is usurping the primary right of the parents and making choice a privilege dependent on wealth.

PARENTAL CHOICE - NOT GOVERNMENT MONOPOLY - IS A BASIC TENET OF OUR FREE NATION. Educational Freedom and religious and human rights of parents, particularly poor people, are violated by a single system of free education in which citizens' tax dollars finance only those schools operated by the government.

A DUAL SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT OPERATED SCHOOLS IS ESSENTIAL TO A FREE PLURALISTIC SOCIETY. State monopoly is harmful to quality and equity in education. It eliminates viable alternatives in philosophy, values, curriculum and methodology, reduces fiscal accountability, and destroys competition as well as its fruits. These sad results can be seen in today's declining educational standards and achievements.

Parental Choice is a Human Right

From the United Nations Declaration of Universal Human Rights Article 26, Section 3.):

"Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that should be given to their children."

Yet, without the money to pay tuition in a private school and taxes to the public school, parents are not free to exercise this human right.

CEF Goals

A. Promote public awareness and legislation to support parents' primary and constitutionally guaranteed rights in education.

B. Enable the poor and minorities, as well as the more affluent, to freely choose the education for their children that meets their needs and cultural and religious values.

C. Demonstrate that quality in education will come only through the time honored American principles of competition and the free market system.

D. Restrict government control and support parental control of education.

E. Develop understanding of the full relation of the First Amendment to education. "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

The Amendment was to insure neutrality, prohibit a federal religion, and protect all religious beliefs. Instead, the present government monopoly system of educational financing favors secularism over theism, prohibits the free exercise of religion and in effect establishes a government religion of secular humanism through government operated public schools.

THE BEST WAY TO BRING ABOUT FREEDOM, PARENTS' RIGHTS, QUALITY AND JUSTICE IN AMERICAN EDUCATION IS BY ENCOURAGING A SYSTEM WHEREBY **ALL EDUCATIONAL TAX MONIES ARE DIVIDED AMONG ALL CHILDREN IN ALL SCHOOLS IN THE FORM OF A TUITION VOUCHER.** THIS VOUCHER WILL BE MADE OUT IN THE NAME OF THE CHILD AND SENT TO THE PARENTS WHO WILL USE IT AT THE SCHOOL OF THEIR CHOICE.

CITIZENS FOR EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM

IS a national, non-profit, non-sectarian association founded in 1959, with headquarters in St. Louis.

of citizens and supporting groups of every race, color, creed and political party.

for the primary rights of parents, freedom of choice, justice and quality in education for all, regardless of wealth, color or creed.

by allocating a fair share of educational tax dollars to the education of all children in the school of the parents' choice while protecting parents and schools from undue government regulations and controls.

Parents' Choice Is A Tax Saving Plan

The Parents' Choice Reform will mean more education for your taxes instead of more taxes for education.

The EDUCARD (Scholarship Grant) means a Fair Share for Every School Child.

"Let the Tax Dollar Follow the Scholar"