

I hope this brief communicate finds you well. I am writing to express my strong desire to retain the Education Choice Scholarship Program (EdChoice), as a means to let NW OH parents choose the best option to educate their children. This is personal to me, as I am a homeowner in the Springfield (Holland) school district, of which the High School is not a school I entrust my children to. I have 2 high-school aged children (1 more in 1 year), that I send out of district to respective parochial schools, as a means to ensure they are fully prepared to be productive Americans via challenging, post-secondary based curriculum. Frankly, Springfield High School does not meet our personal standards for academic achievement based on what we desire our children's future to be. In the absence of EdChoice, we would not be able to afford the incremental cost associated with attending a parochial school. Programs like these are critical to letting constituents like me make a conscious choice on the education our children receive.

Also fair to say I personally pay ~ \$5,000 in annual property taxes that go directly in the budget of the Springfield school district. I use no Springfield Local Schools amenities, to include busing, so in essence I am paying 2x for the education of my children. I ask that you continue to support the EdChoice program in kind so all children have a right to choose the best school to meet their life-long objectives.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Gill