
Subject: I just can't seem to help doing stuff like this

Posted by [DJ](#) on Thu, 15 Nov 2007 05:30:57 GMT

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>>> We don't have to go on with this - probably enough OT threads for this week.

>>> Email me offline if you prefer. I think I've about exhausted my time

>>> allocation for OT this month. ;-))

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>>> Regards,

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>>> On 1/9/08 11:15 PM, in article 4785a9ef\$1@linux, "LaMont" <jjdpro@gmail.com>

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>>>>> a public problem that

>>>>> "we the people" are ignoring, and it's hard to not put a bit of

>>>>> responsibility on the students for just

>>>>> not caring enough to try harder. All the money in the world can't

make

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>>>>> someone want to learn. To

>>>>> the support of students who haven't had a chance, my friend's program

>> aims

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>>>>> to correct learning problems

>>>>> that are holding a lot of kids back - and it works - but he estimates

>> 20

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>>>>> years to work through the

>>>>> red tape and establishment that is the current public school system.

>> Doing

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>>>>> away with it just might

>>>>> save a few hundred thousand kids. They are already working with over

>> 80,000

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>>>>> in a private school system

>>>>> (can't get access to public schools....).

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>>>>> Regards,

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> Russert,

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> his

>>> past voting record and writings, he got angry and then "cracked" ..

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>>> He's a Texan Reacist. Period. Yeah, h

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>>>> cause, so it isn't idle speculation or personal frustration, and the
>>>> solution isn't even in the ballpark of a government program, policy,
> or
>>>> program. There are simple solutions that could improve the quality of
>>>> education for each child in this country, but due to the complexity and
>>>> sluggish nature of our education system (being federally tied), it will
>>> take
>>>> decades to make a dent, if at all. I've seen the program work - it's
>>>> phenomenal and could do what no amount of federal funding could, and
> for
>>>> pennies per child, if not free. That's where personal/private innovation
>>> is
>>>> drastically more effective than waiting for a government to solve a problem.
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>>>> For additional reference, my son goes to an alternative public school
> (IB
>>>> program) and it is excellent. Granted, at the elementary level, problems
>>>> aren't as bad as higher grades (though there are exceptions). I attended
>>>> schools in all parts of our home town (as a product of bussing) suburban
>>> and
>>>> urban - some were good, some were just okay (5 different ones due to
> our
>>> 2
>>>> year system, from first to 12th grade). That was a few years ago, and
>>>> people have changed; society has changed. Problems are more widespread
>>> at
>>>> earlier ages. Is that the government's fault for not throwing more money
>>> at
>>>> the problem? No, it's a failure at the family and individual level,
> which
>>>> transfers to every job and responsibility taken by any individual in
> a given
>>>> community or society. No one from federal or local governments, or local
>>>> school systems is encouraging young teenagers to become pregnant, shoot
>>> one
>>>> another, or take drugs. That happens as a product of society and becomes
>>> a
>>>> part of every aspect of that society. We can make better opportunities
>>> and
>>>> better environments with enough money, but it only lasts so long. Schools
>>>> that are now problematic, were probably great 20 years ago. Might be
>>>> interesting to check the test scores and pass/fail rates for the history
>>> of
>>>> the school in your neighborhood.
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>>>> If you check what Ron Paul and the Republican Liberty Caucus proposes,

> it's
>>>> abolishing the Federal Department of Education - leaving schools to be
>>>> managed at the state and local levels, which the pretty much already
> are.
>>>> I'm not making a statement either way - just clarifying the facts and
> the
>>>> realities of what causes problems in society.
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>>>> We are fast becoming a bleeding heart, woe-is-me country of victims rather
>>>> than innovators and problem solvers. Handouts never work - we've all
> heard
>>>> the Chinese proverb - "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day.
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8a7@linux...

>>> Hahaha. You didn't go to my link, did you. :)

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>>> "Carl Amburn" <carlamburn@hotmail.com> wrote in message

>>> news:4785767b\$1@linux...

>>>> Sarah - don't you realize they're all gay dudes anyway? Ha ha.

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