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MOORE STRIPS AWAY IG INDEPENDENCE

https://open.substack.com/pub/directlinenews/p/moore-strips-away-education-igs-independence?r=2cxszl&utm_medium=ios

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

<https://x.com/theupcountycit1/status/2030468558166073607?s=43>

CAN AI - POWERED WEAPONS DETECTION PROTECT SCHOOLS - WITHOUT TARGETING STUDENTS?

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JOHN HOPKINS CTY IS COMING TO MOCO THIS SUMMER

<https://mocoshow.com/2026/03/03/johns-hopkins-cty-is-coming-to-moco-this-summer-courses-are-filling-fast-so-enroll-now-for-the-best-selection-joh5/>

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HIT WITH AUDIT OVER \$879M IN QUESTIONED FEDERAL FUNDS

<https://thebaynet.com/maryland-state-department-of-education-hit-with-audit-over-879m-in-questioned-federal-funds/>

SCIENCE OF READING

https://open.substack.com/pub/paulthomas701128/p/research-contradicts-science-of-reading?r=2cxszl&utm_medium=ios

SUPREME COURT BLOCKS SCHOOLS FROM HIDING INFORMATION FROM PARENTS

<https://www.christianpost.com/news/supreme-court-blocks-schools-from-hiding-information-from-parents.html>

STUDENTS AT SOUTHEAST CHARTER SCHOOL OUTPERFORMED 75% OF DC ON CITYWIDE MATH TEST

<https://wtop.com/dc/2026/03/how-students-in-southeast-outperformed-peers-in-some-of-dcs-wealthiest-neighborhoods-on-citywide-math-test/>

PROOF POINTS: A LITTLE PARENT MATH TALK WITH KIDS MIGHT REALLY ADD UP, A NEW BODY OF EDUCATION RESEARCH

<https://hechingerreport.org/proof-points-parent-math-talk/>

TEACHER VOICE: WE DON'T HAVE A MATH PROBLEM IN ARKANSAS OR IN THE UNITED STATES. WE HAVE A CULTURE PROBLEM

<https://hechingerreport.org/math-learning-arkansas-united-states-culture/>

FAILING BLUEPRINT

https://open.substack.com/pub/directlinenews/p/spending-on-failing-blueprint-forcing?r=2cxszl&utm_medium=ios

SCHOOL CHOICE, TEST SCORES AND LONG-TERM OUTCOMES

<https://www.educationnext.org/school-choice-test-scores-long-term-outcomes-evidence-ambiguous/>

MD LAWMAKERS CONSIDER BILL TO ALLOW MCPS MAKE-UP DAY FLEXIBILITY

<https://bethesdamagazine.com/2026/03/05/emergency-bill-mcps-make-up-day-flexibility/>

WHAT PARENTS SHOULD KNOW

https://defendinged.org/resources/field-trips-walk-outs-and-in-school-clubs-meetings-questions-every-parent-should-ask-their-school/?fbclid=IwZnRzaAQWVuFleHRuA2FibQlxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZAo2NjI4NTY4Mzc5AAEeSVP41dpdRrloTMPyc-rJqw5ggI2ZJ1cecvUEDcbrQwuZsHdxtGQlhY_aem_7RIC_EUZoIAmXMbmQx6Ojw

HOW DO MCPS BOUNDARIES FOR WOODWARD HIGH AFFECT LOCAL SCHOOLS?

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MCPS RESPONDS TO COMMUNITY QUESTIONS ON WOOTTON MOVE AND FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL PROJECTS

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MCPS TO PURCHASE 140 GAS POWERED SCHOOL BUSES

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MCPS REQUESTS DIESEL SCHOOL BUSES DESPITE MOVE TO ELECTRIC

<https://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/transportation/mcps-diesel-school-buses-electric/4070781/>

SUPERINTENDENT ELRICH WANTS MORE WASTE AT MCPS

<https://montgomeryperspective.com/2026/03/09/superintendent-elrich-wants-more-waste-at-mcps/>

MEDIA RELEASE: MONTGOMERY COUNTY TO HOST FREE STUDENT VACCINATION CLINICS TO HELP FAMILIES MEET MARYLAND SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS REQUIREMENT

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12 CANDIDATES VIE FOR FOUR MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SEATS

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BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS REDUCING SCREEN TIME IN K-2.

<https://x.com/brendamdiaz4boe/status/2030732585404350846?s=43>

SHOULD SROs BE IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS? LOUDOUN COUNTY CONSIDERING IT

<https://www.wusa9.com/article/news/local/virginia/loudoun-county/sros-elementary-schools-loudoun-county-considering/65-2053a865-a69f-4d68-b2a2-e5f898cd6bda>

WHY SO MANY HIGH SCHOOLERS STRUGGLE WITH ALGEBRA 2

<https://www.southlakessentinel.com/opinion/2026/03/04/why-so-many-high-schoolers-struggle-with-algebra-2/>

THE DRAMATIC RISE OF HOMESCHOOLING: SHOULD WE BE FOR OR AGAINST IT?

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