



## **CANDIDATE PLEDGE TO ABOLISH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

The Department of Education, created thirty-six years ago, has spent well over a trillion dollars and has not improved public education in our country one bit. If anything, it's made it worse.

Most Americans support local control versus federal control, and the federal experiment in education has failed. It's time to end the failed experiment and return control of our schools to state and local governments where, through innovation and competition, American public education can succeed as it did before the federal government's micromanagement began.

It's time to end the practice of teaching to tests and the seemingly endless collection of student data that intrudes on privacy and only feeds a self-perpetuating industry.

As President/Senator/Member of Congress, I will do everything in my power to defund and abolish the unconstitutional U.S. Department of Education and to cease all federal education programs and the collection of student data by the end of my first term in office.

**On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of \_\_\_\_\_,**

**I, \_\_\_\_\_, a candidate for the office of**

**\_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly promise and commit to do everything within my authority and Constitutional power to defund and abolish the unconstitutional federal agency, the United States Department of Education, and to cease all federal education programs and the collection of student data.**

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