

Tory plan harmful

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I can't believe John Tory and the Conservatives want to take money out of public education just as Ontario's education system seems to be landing on its feet, recovering from the last mess a Conservative government made of education. The Conservative plan to fund private religious schools will result in two simple things: less funding to the existing public system and the possibility of more schools shutting down.

Has Mr. Tory told us how much it will cost to take over maintenance of private religious school buildings, or to build new ones to accommodate new students?

Has he told us what will happen when more students move out of existing public schools in favour of newly funded religious ones? How many public schools does he estimate will be forced to close their doors?

The Conservative plan is riddled with holes. It will hurt schools in the existing public system and, as a result, hurt students.

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