

THE LIGHT IN THE WESTSIDE

HOLY CROSS
of San Antonio

SHINING FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD

**"WE PRAY FOR THE TIME WHEN
THE PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN
ATTEND OUR SCHOOL CAN BENEFIT
FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES
THEY PAY EVERY YEAR.**

WE SUPPORT SCHOOL CHOICE."

-BROTHER STANLEY CULOTTA, C.S.C., M.D.

**Celebrating National
School Choice & Catholic Schools
Week January 27 - February 2, 2013**



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SCHOOL CHOICE

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SCHOOL CHOICE in Education is the *privilege* and *right* of parents to select the school or educational system for their children and to direct to that school or educational system the equivalent per pupil tax funds available and distributed to the public educational institutions.

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Thursday, January 31, 2013

COST OF EDUCATION IN TEXAS

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY (T.E.A.) 2011 REPORT



Per Student Cost of Education

Instructional Cost.....	\$8,801
Total Cost.....	\$11,542

**To include: Instruction, Payroll, Operations,
Debt Service, Capital Outlay, etc.**

STATE SCHOOLS RECEIVE:

**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS
STATE TAX DOLLARS
LOCAL PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS**

COST OF EDUCATION IN TEXAS

- Approximately **250,000** students are enrolled in non-public schools in Texas
- Of these, **82,000** are in Catholic schools
- **TO EDUCATE THESE STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS WOULD COST THE STATE OF TEXAS**

\$2,125,000,000

(250,000 x \$8,500 per student)

SCHOOL CHOICE



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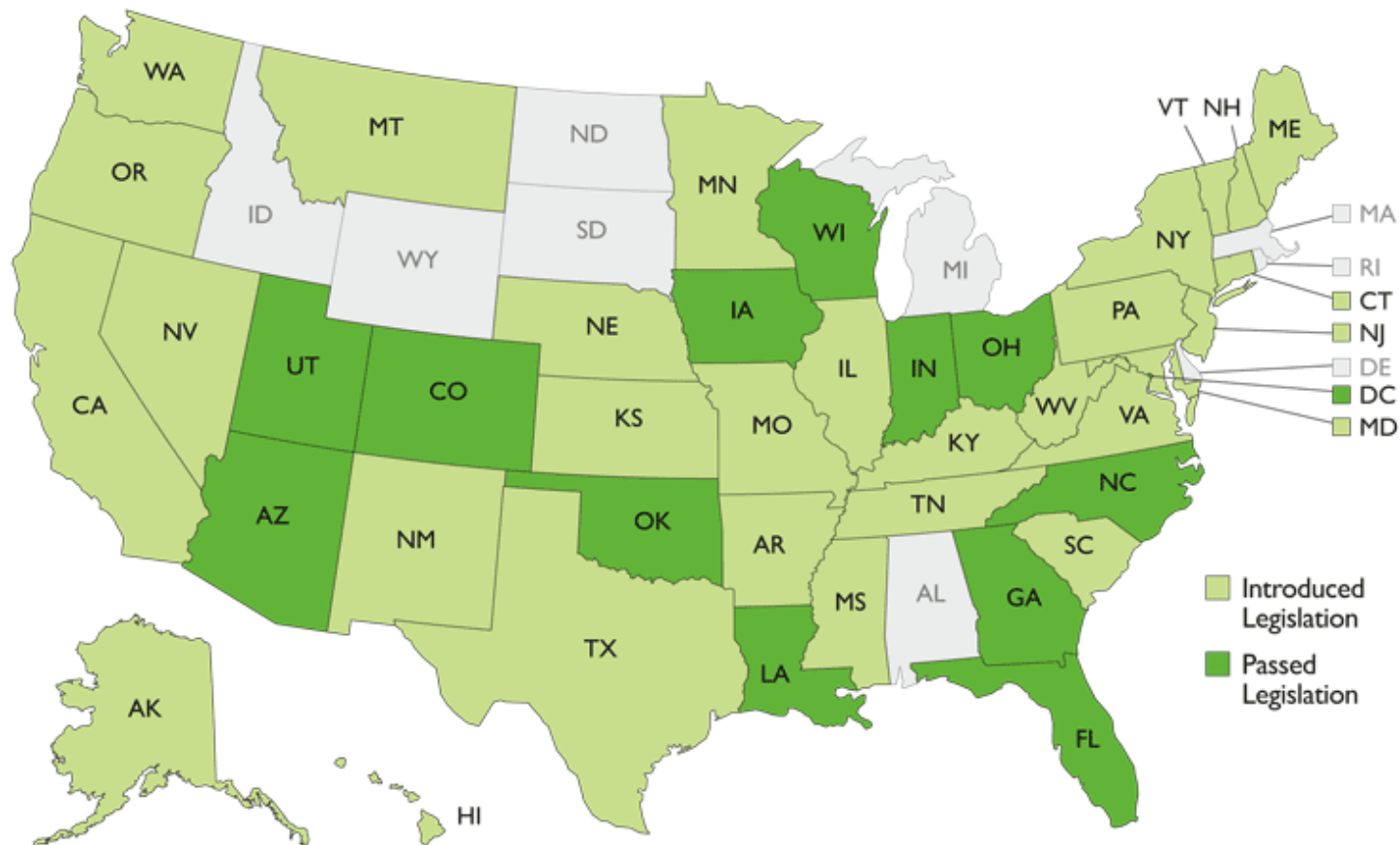
It's Your
Tax Money

They're
Your Kids

It Should Be
Your Choice

CURRENTLY BENEFITING FROM SCHOOL CHOICE

- THERE ARE:
 - 16 Grant/Scholarship Programs; 14 Tax Credit Programs



TAXPAYER SAVINGS GRANTS

"A Win-Win for Texas Students and Taxpayers"

Net Savings to the State

\$2 Billion

in the first 2 years.

State Savings

\$3,429



Student Grant

\$5,143

\$8,572 - Total Operating
- **\$5,143** - Student Grant
\$3,429 - State Savings



TEXAS CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

THE PUBLIC POLICY VOICE OF THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF TEXAS



Based on 2008-09 per pupil spending for public school students (\$11,567). **Source:** Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and Texas Education Agency
<http://www.fastexas.org/study/exec/spending.php>

Why School Choice?

- Parents have more control
- Teachers are paid more
- Low performing schools improve
- Per pupil spending rises at public schools



DETERMINING BODY

- Who has the authority to pass this legislation?
 - Your State Senator
 - Your State Representative
- AND THEY NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!



GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- **DO YOUR PART** AND CONTACT THE PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
 - Call or Email:
 - Governor Rick Perry
 - Lt. Governor David Dewhurst
 - Senator Dan Patrick
 - Speaker Joe Straus
 - Calling is personal and very effective.



On the back of your green form is the contact information for our representatives. You can also find this information on the Holy Cross website. THANK YOU!