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## THE PARENT BRIGADE



Fighting for the survival of America by UNIFYING, EDUCATING, and EMPOWERING parents to defend their rights at all levels of government



"My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her."

George Washington

Hello Hamilton County Community,

When we were outlining our second newsletter, the below column surfaced in my memory. Erma Bombeck wrote a syndicated newspaper column from 1965 to 1996. I can remember reading her columns when I was young as she described with humor daily life. I have always found it amazing how some talented writers can take ordinary life situations, and with a little perspective, make those situations extraordinarily entertaining (perspective is a beautiful thing). We hope you enjoy.

#### "When God Created Mothers" by Erma Bombeck, first published May 12, 1974

When the Good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said. "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And God said, "Have you read the specs on this order? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. Have 180 moveable parts...all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands.... no way."

It's not the hands that are causing me problems," God remarked, "it's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel.

God nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, 'I understand, and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"God," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "Get some rest, tomorrow...."

"I can't," said God, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger...and can get a nine-year old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said God excitedly. "You can't imagine what this mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You that You were trying to put too much into this model." "It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear."

What's it for?"

It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride."

You are a genius," said the angel. Somberly, God said, "I didn't put it there."



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## LIBERTY LESSON PART II



"It is a great mistake to suppose that the paper we are to propose will govern the United States. It is the men whom it will bring into the Government and interest in maintaining it that is to govern them. The paper will only mark out the mode and the form. Men are the substance and must do the business."

John Francis Mercer, delegate to the Constitutional Convention

#### **Consent of the Governed**

If we want to uphold the Constitution, we must make wise decisions in choosing our leaders, be a part of the process, and be engaged in our government.

#### The Six Immutable Principles in the Declaration of Independence

- 1. <u>THERE IS A DIVINE CREATOR</u> Believing in a divine Creator is the first step toward limited government, because if government is all-supreme, there is nothing that can impose limits. If God is not in the national equation, then government becomes god.
- 2. **INALIENABLE RIGHTS COME FROM GOD** Every person has a set of rights given by the Creator, not government, of which government has no authority to interfere.
- 3. GOVERNMENT EXISTS TO PROTECT INALIENABLE RIGHTS Government is not here to provide for us, but to protect us while we go out and produce. The more government provides for us, the less prosperous we will become because there is less initiative.
- 4. <u>THERE IS A FIXED MORAL LAW</u> A lack of a fixed moral law leads to anarchy where every person can decide for themselves what is right and wrong, the powerful control the weak. John Quincy Adams called this "the law of the tiger and the shark."
- 5. <u>THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED</u>, <u>OR THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY</u> This principle only follows that there are inalienable rights and a fixed moral law. The consent of the governed does not overrule these basic truths.
- 6. <u>THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO CHANGE THEIR GOVERNMENT</u> Because government comes from the people, we can change our government in any way needed if the first five principles are violated.

Richard Henry Lee said that Thomas Jefferson "copied" the Declaration of Independence from John Locke's book "The Two Treatises of Government," which cites the Bible over 1,500 times to show the proper operation of civil government.

Every right set forth in the Declaration of Independence had been preached from the American pulpit prior to 1763. Many phrases were originally preached by Rev. John Wise, whose sermons were reprinted and published by the Founding Fathers before the Revolution.

Source: Biblical Citizenship, in Modern America



Learn more about Biblical Citizenship in Modern America from Patriot Academy by clicking <u>HERE</u>



### **Joyful Warriors National Summit**

## PARENT WINS!



# WOW! What a fantastic event - so many **JOYFUL WARRIORS** coming together to **ROCK** the cradle of **LIBERTY**.



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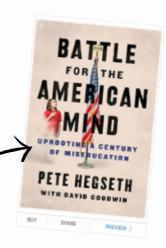
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### What are we reading? (click on below links)

- Indiana Capital Chronicle New Indiana ILEARN scores
- REAL News Central Indiana Hamilton County Librarian
   Pushes Sexual Content on Kids
- Chalkbeat NWEA Learning Loss Study
- Indiana Department of Education ILEARN results
- Battle for the American Mind by Pete Hegseth and David Goodwin (WOW, WOW, WOW - what an eye-opening book!)



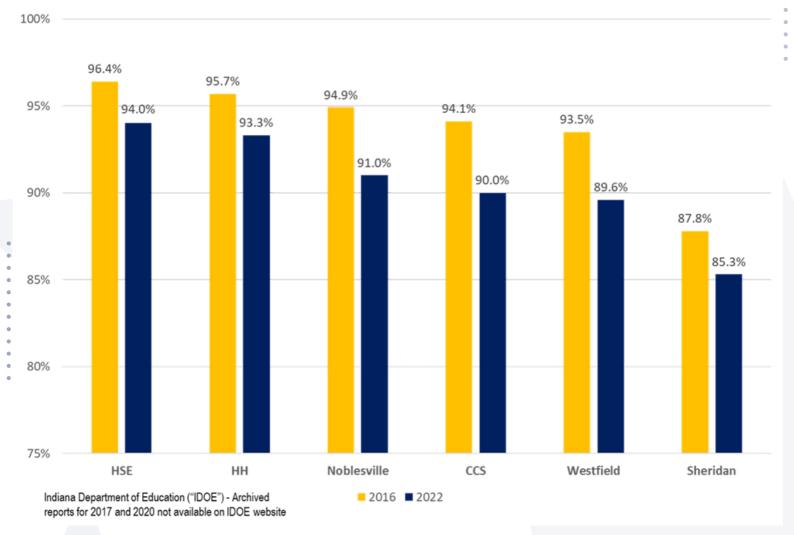


### **HAVE YOU HEARD?**

IREAD results continue to decline as our children are falling further behind

Hamilton County School Disctricts

IREAD 2016 vs. 2022



### **Takeaways**

Comparing 2016 to 2022, all Hamilton County school districts have seen a decline in 3rd grade IREAD proficiency.

The State of Indiana has also seen a significant decline in proficiency dropping 7.3 points from 88.9% in 2016 to 81.6% in 2022.

IN Dept. of Education is directing <u>millions of dollars</u> to reading programs with a statewide goal of 95% reading proficiency by 2027. As of today, there is not one Hamilton County school district achieving this level of reading proficiency.



## HAVE YOU HEARD?

# **ILEARN** proficiency sees little improvement in Hamilton County

ILEARN is a standardized test created by the Indiana Dept. of Education and implemented in 2019. It is used to measure student academic proficiency in various subjects. Prior to ILEARN, the state used ISTEP to measure academic proficiency.

### WHY SHOULD WE LOOK AT ILEARN RESULTS?

The publicly available results provide visibility into the effectiveness of school districts in teaching state academic standards.

## WHAT WERE THE 2023 ENGLISH & MATH PROFICIENCY RESULTS IN HAMILTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS

48.7%

of children attending Hamilton County public schools

ARE NOT PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH AND MATH

that is

13,524

3rd-8th grade children who **DO NOT MEET MINIMUM STANDARDS** established by the Indiana Department of Education

# Hamilton County School Districts English & Math proficiency 2023 vs. 2022

	Carmel	Hamilton Heights	HSE	Noblesville	Sheridan	Westfield
2023 proficiency	59.7%	35.6%	50.4%	45.0%	32.8%	52.1%
2022 proficiency	58.9%	35.5%	49.3%	43.2%	25.6%	51.2%

Are you concerned?

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## Jesus says LOVE your enemies

But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you..."

NKJ, Matthew 5:44

#### Please join us in prayer -

LORD JESUS, we pray for our enemies today. Please send Your love flowing through us to release any hateful emotions hindering our prayers and quenching Your Spirit in our hearts.

We pray that You will bless our enemies with events that will open their hearts and minds to You. We pray they will discover Your comfort and love, and that they will be humbled before You. We pray You would show them mercy, and, in turn, they show love and mercy to others.

In Your Heavenly Name/We Pray, Amen



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