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OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER WILL CONTAIN UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP AND CHESTER COUNTY INFORMATION THAT AFFECTS YOU.

Will a bill that is supported by Danielle Friel Otten leave children behind and take away options from parents?

Rep. Danielle Friel Otten is co-sponsoring House Bill 2632 which **will fundamentally transform the very popular EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit) program that allows businesses to supply scholarships to students who want to attend a private school. This program helps the poorest and most vulnerable population and some middle-class families as well. HB 2632 would have more control over the selection process such as scholarship programs to children ages 0-2.**

Many parents feel that our public schools are struggling to maintain academic standards. Public schools have huge budgets and are supported by taxpayers. This bill would eliminate most school choice options for parents.

Archbishop of Philadelphia, Nelson Perez, wrote that House Bill 2632 “would be devastating for school children and their families.” “EITC and OSTC scholarships are funded by companies and individuals who see value in providing families with educational choice. These programs are vibrant, successful, and reduce taxpayer burdens when it comes to educating our young people, particularly those who come from challenging financial circumstances and live in underserved communities.” “Parents should have the ability to choose the educational environment that best suits the needs of their children.”

Andrew Lewis, president and CEO of the Commonwealth Foundation is quoted as saying, “House Democrats have passed an education poison pill, preparing to rip away transformative school choice from tens of thousands of students. The cuts proposed in this bill are punitive and destructive.”

Please watch this video for more information on the EITC and OSTC programs: https://pagopvideo.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/565299513.mp4?utm_source=Listrak&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=https%3a%2f%2fpagopvideo.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com%2f565299513.mp4&utm_campaign=Barb's+Update

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Uwchlan Township News

The June 4 Board of Supervisors meeting was a review of the Uwchlan Township citizen survey conducted by West Chester University. 886 residents completed 70/80% of this survey. Here are some result highlights:

- Most have lived in the township 20+ years
- Those surveyed are highly educated
- Survey shows people are happy with township employee work
- Survey reveals that Uwchlan ranked high as a good place to raise a family, but lower for a place to open a business, or find employment
- Schools, parks, and shopping were highlights while development, housing, and traffic were concerns
- Open space and affordability were priorities to those surveyed
- **Almost 35% say the township is getting worse, 22% of those surveyed think a poor job is being done preserving open space, and 27% think management of growth and development is poor**
- **27.5% of those surveyed think the township is doing a poor job with affordable housing**

The township will be using this data to drive priorities to build a good workplan for the next 5 years.

Candidate's Corner

A message from Congressional Candidate Marty Young:

- *America is drowning in over \$100 trillion of unsustainable debt and liabilities that we cannot repay. This crony system of massive government-backed debt, rigged regulations, and special interests is crushing working families - driving up healthcare costs, blocking homeownership, funding data centers, increasing costs and saddling young people with unpayable student debt.*
- *The American Dream is slipping away for too many born here under mountains of debt.*
- *I have spent my career fixing broken systems.*
- *Join me at <https://VoteYoung.com>*