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Get Children Out of Public Schools, Warns Arizona Education Chief

Former Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction Diane Douglas, who oversaw the state Department of Education, sounded the alarm about what is happening in public schools across America in an interview with *The New American* magazine's Alex Newman (video below).



To combat the dumbing down of children and the promotion of globalism and extreme obscenity and sexualization, the best thing parents can do is remove their children from public school in favor of homeschooling or private schools, she said.

Douglas ran to repeal the Common Core national education standards, but the powers that be did everything possible to sabotage her efforts. Douglas also made clear that Common Core was not the only problem. "It's so far beyond Common Core," she said, warning about a "global agenda" infecting the schools.

"This is part of a 100 year or 150 year battle for the souls of our children," continued Douglas, who at the time was serving as a leader in U.S. Parents Involved in Education. "John Dewey was very clear, his intent was to change our society and make sure our children were un- or under-educated."

Reading is so important because it allows children to learn on their own, without any help or guidance from government. "Frankly, if kids can read and do those basic things, they don't ever need a teacher again," Douglas said, celebrating phonics as the correct way to teach reading. "They can learn anything they want to for the rest of their lives."

Despite opposition from the education establishment, she was able to make some progress, such as restoring phonics and cursive while removing obscene literature. But much of the horrible content was preserved, Douglas said, adding that students are taught not even to question evolution or consider both sides of the argument.

The sexualization of children is now one of the most important battles in the state's government schools.

She also urged parents to get a copy of *The New American* magazine's Special Report on "Rescuing Our Children." "What took many years to learn, and many many volumes of books, they can get the *Reader's Digest* version and understand what we are facing, and how far it goes back," she said, calling for parents to homeschool or use a private school.

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“Understand the battle we’re fighting,” she said. “I wish I had had the courage to homeschool my daughter, but I was chicken at the time.”

This is truly “the battle of our lifetime,” Douglas added.



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