

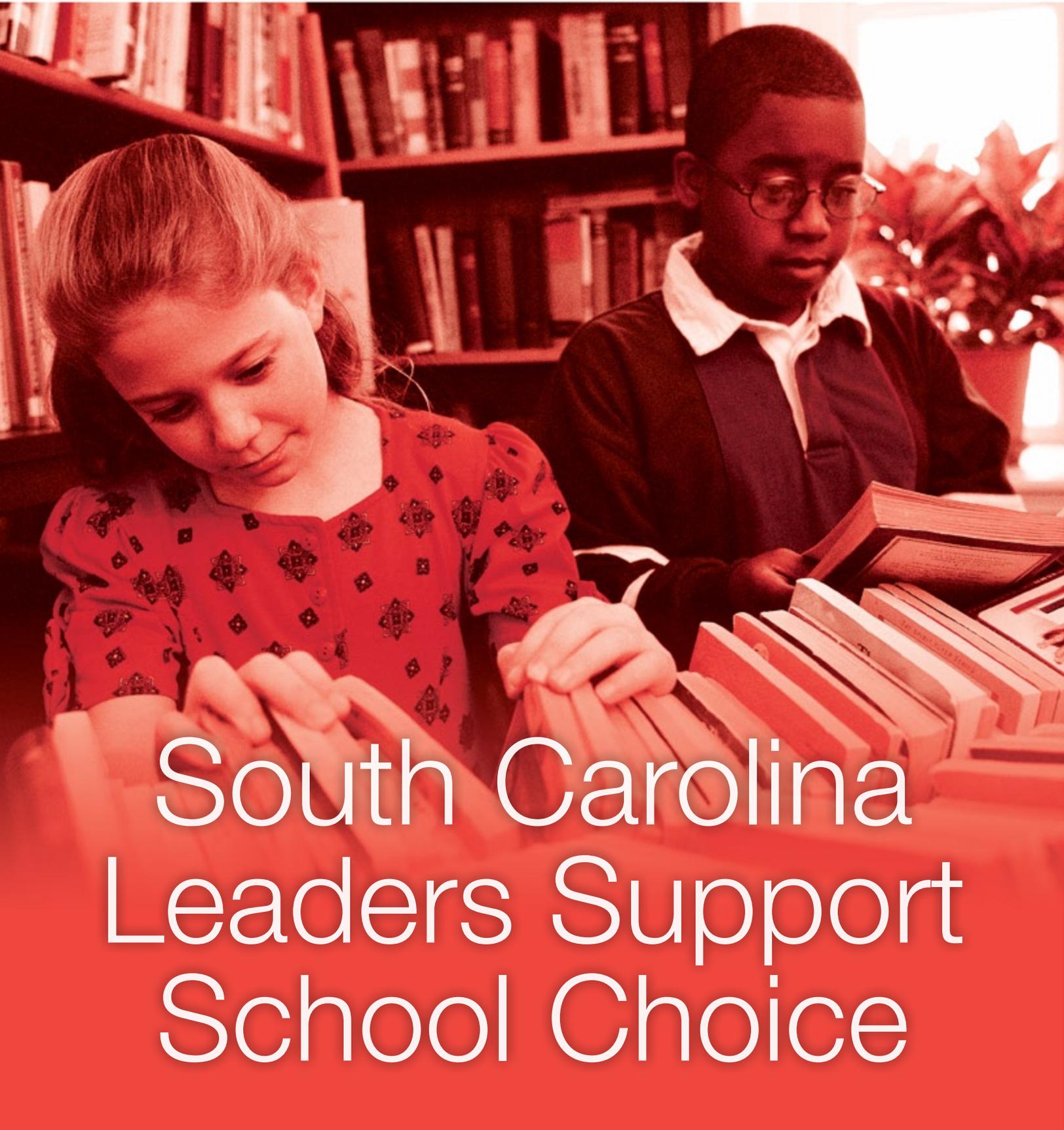


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South Carolina Leaders Support School Choice



LT. GOVERNOR ANDRE BAUER

As a former public school substitute teacher, I have always been a strong supporter of providing parents a choice when it comes to educating their children. As South Carolina struggles with the uncertainty of the economic future... it shouldn't struggle with providing its children the best opportunity and best education possible to build the workforce foundation for the future. I will continue to support educational choice as a key component to our ability to attract, retain and increase jobs in the future.



ATTORNEY GENERAL HENRY MCMASTER

We have a duty to provide a quality education for all our children. Our efforts must produce accountability for the taxpayers and confidence for the parents. Classrooms must be safe, sound and stimulating. Teachers must be the best. Choice and competition are indispensable ingredients to achieving excellence.



CONGRESSMAN GRESHAM BARRETT

Empowerment is the key to improving education in South Carolina. We can empower parents by providing them with the opportunity to decide which school - be it public, private, home or parochial - best fits the educational needs of their individual child. We can empower teachers by rewarding excellence and innovation in the classroom. And we can empower employers by ensuring they have access to an educated workforce.



REPRESENTATIVE NIKKI HALEY

School choice is an educational and moral imperative. Giving parents the ability to choose the education that best fits their child will not only help individual families, it will also dramatically improve our public schools.

South Carolinians for Responsible Government supports the concept of “school choice” and affirms the right of parents to home school their children or send them to the public, private or independent schools of their choice. We embrace the healthy competition that will result from a comprehensive school choice plan and a system of school choice that includes tax credits and student scholarship organizations which would offer compassionate and better opportunities for all children in South Carolina.