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Millions of parents today are struggling to choose whether to send their children to public or private schools. In the end it boils down to the argument of money. Public schools cannot require you to pay for education, but by paying for private schools your child may be at an advantage. The many advantages to private over public schools will be addressed in this poster.

Introduction

Public and private schools are known to differ in many ways. In particular, their quality of education has been shown to differ due to the fact that they are funded in different ways. Public schools are federally funded and must follow rules and regulations set by politicians. Private schools are independent from the government and must generate their own funding. This is done by collecting tuition, private grants, and fundraising. In our research, we are looking at which school can provide a greater quality of education based on amount of money made. Our goal is to ultimately weigh the positives and negatives of the quality of education in each system and come to a conclusion on which one is the better option.

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Conclusions

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