



# ALLIANCE FOR CHOICES IN EDUCATION

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## School Choice Breakthrough

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The Alliance for Choices in Education today learned of a possible breakthrough in negotiations to lift the school choice enrollment cap.

Br. Bob Smith, representing the Archdiocese of Greater Milwaukee, announced at a meeting at Messmer High School that Governor Jim Doyle said last week that the Governor could support an increase of 10,000 students in the enrollment cap.

“With this news, the school choice coalition would drop its support for eliminating the cap. The Governor’s commitment is a great step on his part,” said Susan Mitchell, ACE vice-chair.

Br. Bob spoke at a gathering of about 75 officials representing schools in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program. He said he and two other individuals heard the Governor’s comment during a conference call last week. Br. Bob said that an hour later a senior official representing the Governor called him (Br. Bob) and repeated the 10,000 offer.

“ACE greatly appreciates this initiative from Governor Doyle. Based on this new development we have communicated to Speaker Gard our support for the Governor’s offer,” said Mitchell.

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