CCS Cheating on State Ordered Tests!!! School Board Goes Along with Illegal Scheme!!! Jesus would say “beware of the ”Deluder, Satan” in what YOU are about to read coming out from CCS and Luke Queen!!! Report, analysis, conclusions and predictions by Robert A. Williams

The first order of business for schools (supposedly) everywhere is to teach the necessary skills and provide an overall sound basic education—knowledge to our children **for the rest of their lives** so that they are able to grow up and become productive members of our society. In the United States, the task of educating our children to the level of providing a “sound basic education” has been delegated to the Public-School system. To which very large amounts of tax dollars at the Federal State and Local Levels are provided to Public School Districts every year. But, our Education System, as good as it could be or as corrupt as it is here in Cleveland County and North Carolina didn’t just come about yesterday. Or at the February 14, 2022, School Board meeting.

Prior to the forming of the United States and any Public Schools therein, the basic laws of behavior for all the North American English colonies was what was found in the Bible.

Fearing that an illiterate population without being able to read the Bible for themselves could be “deluded” by Satan into sinful and evil ways.

But don’t believe me about that. Read below from the encyclopedia about the Ole, Deluder, Satan Act of 1647.

Massachusetts passed the Old Deluder Satan Act in 1647, laying the basis for public schools in America. The Puritans valued literacy highly; they believed all individuals should be able to read and interpret the Bible for themselves. In 1642 Massachusetts had required parents to ensure their children’s ability to read, and five years later, in this act, the state-mandated community schooling.
The religious basis of the act was explicit: the act stated its intention was to thwart “ye old deluder, Satan” in his goal “to keep men from the knowledge of ye Scriptures.” To this end, the law required every town with 50 or more families to hire and maintain a teacher to instruct all children in reading and writing. Towns of 100 or more families were required to support a grammar school to prepare students to attend Harvard College. Similar acts were soon adopted in the other New England colonies, except Rhode Island.

Act established principles of public education

The act established several principles upon which public primary and secondary education continue to rest today:
1. That basic education is a public or community responsibility,
2. That the state can require communities to raise and expend local funds for schools,
3. That day-to-day responsibility for the operation of schools’ rests at the local level, and
4. That schools are to be organized in levels separating elementary from secondary education.
The religious origins of laws providing for education in early America may help explain some of the conflicts that have

subsequently developed when courts, enforcing the establishment clause of the First Amendment, have invalidated devotional religious exercises in public schools.

Editor's Note: Some would say, including myself, that the Courts getting involved with removing the Bible and Prayer from Public Schools was when most to all of our modern-day problems with public education actually started. Also, there is NO Establishment Clause in the First Amendment. The Courts and their lawyers have made that up. Obviously, that Old deluder, Satan is still at work. As clearly shown by the direction the present School Board Chairman Robert "Luke" (Short for Lucifer) Queen and his little band of devils are taking CCS.

Folks, after establishing the fact that public education in the USA has been around for almost 400 years and SHOULD be run by the local boards of education, let's analyze just one bit of deceptive trickery that our local school board under School Board Chairman Luke Queen, aided and abetted by Superintendent Dr. Stephen Fisher, have taken illegal actions to cover-up CCS's failure to adequately educate students in Cleveland County.

Let's also consider the FACT that when I graduated high school in 1965, the United States (I am not saying Cleveland County) was Number One in the WORLD in Education. Now, US education is not even in the top ten in the world in education. That should tell you something right there. We are going DOWN. Not UP. And let's get to some of the reasons. Right NOW!

The School Calendar seems to be something even the most foolish amongst fools (or even Satan himself) could mess up in a thousand years. North Carolina law specifies when public schools start and when they finish. NC Law also specifies that there are to be 185 days of instruction during the school year. Any fool with a calendar can mark the first day of school, the last day of school, cross out holidays and

weekends, cross out a few days for snow and inclement weather, mark in 185 days of classroom instruction, and voila, you have A SCHOOL CALENDAR. And repeat that process over and over from Kindergarten to the 12th Grade every year. NO BIG DEAL, right?

But NOoooo!! Luke Queen and Stephen Fisher don't want to do it that way. They want to do it differently than the other 114 school districts in North Carolina. And the answer to **Why do they want to do that**? is totally easy to figure out. But first, let's examine what they SAY is the reason they are going to break the laws of North Carolina.

What they say is that if they can move the Starting day of school up six or seven days, they can move the center of the 185 days of instruction up so that they can do the end of semester testing up to before the Christmas and New Years Holidays, instead of after those holidays. They say that the education of the children in such a manner would be better measured by testing the children as soon as possible after their classes, instead of over two weeks later. That TEST SCORES would be BETTER.

Well folks, in fact, Test Scores would be better if you test students immediately after the end of the class periods. Jesus himself would agree with that statement if taken all by itself. But that statement is a devious deception and here is why!!!

Remember the purpose of public education? Remember the first sentence of this article? Let's repeat:

The first order of business for schools (supposedly) everywhere is to teach the necessary skills and provide an overall sound basic education–knowledge to our children for the rest of their lives so that they are able to grow up and become productive members of our society.

A sound basic education for the rest of a student's life is the key word here.

So, how does violating state law by moving the supposedly standardized tests up before the Christmas and New Year's holidays just to get better test scores to benefit students? The answer is, it does not benefit students. It only means that CCS is cheating.

Testing, as related to education, is a way to measure how much knowledge a student has retained as related to how much knowledge a student has been taught. Also, human beings have two kinds of memory processes. Short-term memory and long-term memory. Without going into too much scientific detail, if you are teaching a child lessons for use for the rest of the student's life, you have to realize that short-term memory is soon forgotten. Sometimes in minutes. Like reading a funny statement on Facebook and sharing it. Only to forget exactly what is said only moments later.

Therefore, if you want to teach children lessons for the rest of their lives, it is a much better measure to test a student's long-term memory rather than short-term memory. And base your teaching methods accordingly. Breaking the subject matter down into little pieces and teaching them a little bit at a time over a period of time. Each piece of knowledge is progressively taught as if building a brick house, laying one brick at a time.

Also, remember that public education is required by law to be made available to ALL students. That running schools across the state require the state to spend lots of tax dollars. Therefore, to measure how effective the teaching methods in different school districts are relative to each other, standardized testing has to be developed. And that such testing will indicate which schools are doing a good job and which ones are NOT doing a good job. And then requiring the schools that are NOT doing a good job to change their ways. If not, the poor performing school's administration is removed and a better performing administration is brought in to achieve overall performance standards State and nationwide.

So, what has the Cleveland County School Board actually done by adopting an illegal School Calendar so Cleveland County is actually taking Standardized testing and implementing them in a NON-Standardized way? They are CHEATING!!! They are cheating students. They are cheating parents and they are cheating taxpayers.

And the WHY??? Is important for us to know.

Recent history in Cleveland County Schools shows a poor educational record:
- Over 50% of our graduating seniors are not proficient at the ninth-grade level.
- James Love Elementary School was a multi-year failing school and rather than do what was necessary to fix the problems, the School Board shut down the old North Shelby School and built a NEW North Shelby and attached it to the James Love school so the school "Category" was changed administratively only without any actual improvement to education. And cost taxpayers $16.5 Million in the process.
- Marion Elementary School and Graham Elementary Schools have been declared "Failing Schools" by the State. So, what does the CCS School Board do? They are reassigning students to "passing" schools and closing down Marion and Graham Schools without making any improvement to their education. The school board's excuse is they are making better utilization of school properties.
- The Kings Mountain Zone is presently being studied for the same treatment as Marion and Graham Schools.
- Then the Burns Zone,
- and then the Crest Zone.

All of this can be laid at the feet of the Cleveland County School Board. Now under the poor leadership of CCS School Board Chairman Robert "Luke" Queen. A school board that refuses to hold accountable an administration that has CHEATED Cleveland County children out of the education that we taxpayers have paid tons of money for. And all for way too

long.

And CCS has lied about it for years. Always ignoring, hiding, and covering-up problems instead of looking for the problems that are so obvious and fixing them. Always refusing to admit mistakes and never resolving the mistakes. It goes on and on.

What Cleveland Count Schools always does is always put out the good news. And there always is good news. Shelby won a football game. Kings Mountain raises lots of money for a new Fieldhouse. A few students here and there win awards and scholarships. Never do you hear about the students that can't get good jobs, turn to sell drugs, and are get sent to prison. Nary a word do you ever hear about that.

I predict this. I predict that the news of this illegal school calendar recently adopted by the CCC School Board for the next school year will be released as GOOD NEWS by CCS to the local news media. Especially the Shelby Star, which is no longer in Shelby.

I also predict that NO parents or taxpayers will come to school board meetings and speak out about this. Wouldn't it be nice if this last prediction turns out to be wrong??? I'm not holding my breath!!