

MEMORANDUM

November 25, 2002

TO: Governor

FROM: John

RE: Education story

Yesterday at church the sermon was about serving others, and the priest used a joke that might work well when you talk with educators:

Realizing it was after 8 o'clock in the morning, a mother began beating on the door to her son's room.

"Wake up!" she yelled. "You'll be late for school!"

"I'm not going to school today," her son responded. "Nobody likes me, everyone's always picking on me and making fun of me. I'm never going to school again."

"I'll give you two good reasons you're going to go to school today," his mother said. "Number one, you're 40 years old. Number two, you're the principal."