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Subject: Re: I have heard about it being made into a movie...

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Fri, 03 Mar 2006 20:14:22 GMT

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I would never suggest that Alonas' opinion take a back seat to anyone's regarding education as she is no doubt very competent and knowledgeable. That was never my intention in making that post. But you originally did appear to be making a comparison. The system is what we make it. Mr Vinyls problem is that the locally controlled school board does not want to fund the required programs he is eligible for. The state mandates these programs but the community stonewalls him. How would the community change if there were no state mandated programs? They would remain as recalcitrant as they are now. I can't speak for his situation; but with a lot of pressure from the community here including a lawsuit; the "Socialised" program devised by the state was enforced and children were mainstreamed against the wishes of the school board. Believe me without that "Socialised" program those kids would be on their own; Because this school board would not have paid for their use of resources that's for sure. I think the concepts of social responsibility and control of local funding are becoming confused in this discussion. The fact that these programs exist at all is a testament to the benefit of socially appropriate programs for the needy. It is truly unfortunate that he is not given the benefit of what his children deserve.

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