

Washington State's Big Spenders are Slow Learners

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After having [little to show for](#) a nearly 30% increase in public school spending by her administration, previous Governor Christine Gregoire (D - WA) [said](#),

“I came in here determined to make the system work better. I put a lot more money into K–12. But then you sit there and say, “Why have I not been able to get the result I set out to achieve?”

Apparently, her successor, Governor Jay Inslee (D - WA) is a slow learner; having failed to even study the record of his predecessor from the same party. He said [this](#):

“There’s no disagreement that education needs to be more fully funded.”

Governor Inslee, instead of the foolish futility of more-of-the-same-harder, or Rick Hess’ version (“The Same Thing Over and Over”), address the [roots of the problem](#).