Website Lists Charter School Costs, Performance

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COLUMBUS, Ohio - A website has been launched that provides Ohioans side-by-side comparisons of their traditional public school district and all the public and private charter schools that operate there.

Knowyourcharter.com is a project of two organizations critical of charters: the Ohio Education Association, the state's largest teachers' union, and the liberal think tank Innovation Ohio.

The groups said Tuesday that the site doesn't take sides, but uses data drawn from the Ohio Department of Education, legislative budgets and other sources. They said the idea is to give parents, educators and policymakers information they can use in making decisions.

A spokesman for the pro-charter group My School, My Choice says the site contains certain false statements about charter schools so site data can't be trusted to be accurate.

http://knowyourcharter.com

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