

Aug 29
TAPE FOR WEEK OF SEPT. 5

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

WITH THE START OF SCHOOL FAST APPROACHING, OUR THOUGHTS AGAIN TURN TO HOW WE CAN IMPROVE THE EDUCATIONAL STRUCTURE OF AMERICA.

WITH THIS IN MIND, I HAVE JOINED IN THE EFFORT TO FORM A NATIONAL SUMMIT CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATION. THIS PROPOSAL WOULD SET UP A BIPARTISAN WORKING GROUP TO DETERMINE HOW THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN ASSIST STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN PUTTING INTO PLACE RECOMMENDATIONS TO UP-GRADE THE QUALITY OF THIS NATION'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

SUCH A CONFERENCE WOULD BE HELD AT THE END OF THE YEAR, AND WOULD PROVIDE A NATIONAL FORUM, FREE OF POLITICAL RHETORIC, TO DISCUSS THE INITIATIVES NEEDED TO PREPARE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE FOR THE FUTURE.

SIMPLY THROWING MONEY AT EDUCATION WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT IS NEEDED OR HOW TO PROCEED IS NOT ONLY POLITICAL FOLLY, IT IS UNFAIR TO ALL AMERICANS---ESPECIALLY OUR CHILDREN.

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN, NICK RAHALL.