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or teacher training, and we all know that teachers are only as good as they are trained.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Members of the Legislature, this is one of those wish, hope, pray type operations. Unfortunately, a young woman named Dusty, was it Springfield, who sang that song "Wishing and Hoping and Thinking and Praying" is not going to get you whatever it is that you need? That is certainly not a way for us to legislate. In Omaha they want to resegregate the schools, but they want to try to trick white parents into sending their children to schools in black neighborhoods. So what they said they're going to do is create what they call magnet schools. These schools will give offerings that are not going to be available in the other schools that the black children in those neighborhoods go to. Senator Tyson yesterday made one of the few good points that he will make on occasion, by accident, when he talked about the things that the schools are created to do, when he talked about the responsibilities that the schools currently have. When programs are put in place which do nothing other than underline that the schools are not doing their job we are, in effect rewarding the cheating of our children. On the other hand, if these offerings in these so-called magnet schools are practical and of value, they ought to be made available to all children who attend the public schools. Why should we have different tiers in the same public school system, in the same school district based on the quality of the offerings? Instead of saying that what is put in these magnet schools is superior, it's really saying that what is not in the regular schools is inferior. These so-called magnet schools are nothing other than confessions of dereliction toward the children who have been cheated all the time, black children, Latino children, poor white children based on the neighborhoods in which they live. This program, this approach being taken by 495, fits into that general inappropriate manner of thinking. Either the public schools are to educate all of the children, or they're not. Either they should make the same quality offerings available to all children or confess that they do not do that. They should confess that the goal and the intent of education programs...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.