

5 reasons public education shouldn't be out for tender!

1 Contracting out means workers will be required to clean **more than twice their current workload in the same amount of time for the same pay.** This means lower standards of safety and hygiene, and dirty, unsafe schools.

2 School cleaning and maintenance workers should be responsible to their local principals and their local school communities. Bringing in private contractors adds an extra layer of bureaucracy and means that **local schools lose control of their own cleaning and maintenance.**

3 **Contracting out compromises kids' safety.** Cleaning and maintenance workers will not be on the grounds when kids are arriving and leaving school – meaning the grounds are less secure.

4 Contracting out puts workers' pay and conditions at risk. **As pay and jobs are slashed, and workloads are increased, workers lose motivation and the ability to do the best possible job.** School maintenance and cleaning staff want to do the best job possible, but contracting out makes this impossible.

5 In other states, contracting out school cleaning and maintenance **has led to contracting out in other areas.** Contracting out affects the jobs of administration workers, teachers' aides, and others. **We need to take a stand now before private companies move in to make a profit off our state schools.**

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