***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Education**

Education may become a major part of this year’s regular legislative session.

Lawmakers have several definitions of “success” on this topic.

When it comes to education, Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Caleb Rowden of Columbia says he is for school choice…

 **Rowden :10 Q: kids and parents.**

Part of this may hinge on legislation that would extend the current rules governing ESAs.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Independence says he does not believe the solutions can be found in [Senate Bill 727](https://www.senate.mo.gov/24info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=244) or [Senate Bill 729](https://www.senate.mo.gov/24info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=249), both of which were heard in the [Missouri Senate Education and Workforce Development Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/Committees/CommitteeDetails/75) this past week…

 **Rizzo :07 Q: in our budget.**

Neither Senate Bill 727 nor Senate Bill 729 has yet been voted out of committee.

Reporting from the State Capitol, I’m Dean Morgan.