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McNeil government's education plot will just divide and distract

NSTU President Liette Doucet says Nova Scotians are concerned about the damage Stephen McNeil's education changes will have on their schools.

She says most provinces have not divided teachers and principals, because it just leads to chaos and conflict.

"After what happened in Ontario in the 1990s, it's clear removing the collegial model from schools does not benefit students," says Doucet. "What benefits students is teachers working collaboratively to provide the highest quality of education possible."

Doucet is also concerned the Glaze report will impact every single student in every single school across the province, and yet the only information families are receiving is coming in nine second sound bites on the evening news.

"I watched Minister Churchill on Steve Murphy last night and at this point I really can't speculate on what he proposed. He may have been making things up as he went along," says Doucet.

She adds, "All we really know is that the McNeil government has handpicked two "consultants" and paid them a lot of money to recycle recommendations that will have a detrimental impact on public education. They have provided no real evidence these changes won't cause damage."

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