Ron Higgins’ Statement

While teaching in and interacting with students in ten different high schools and twelve different middle schools, I noticed that students were unfamiliar with the principles of our nation’s founding documents (Declaration of Independence and Constitution). The knowledge of these principles is so important that courses from elementary school through university need to be aligned with these principles. At the conclusion of the educational process our students should know their rights and responsibilities as citizens, where these rights are listed, the source of these rights, and the benefits and responsibilities of citizens who live in a constitutional republic and a free enterprise economy.

Safety of our students needs to be of the utmost importance. It appeared to me that in many of the schools certain well-financed special-interest pressure groups have been bullying school administrations into affirming and promoting sexual anarchy and unhealthy lifestyles. Such bullying needs to be resisted and eliminated.

Inexpensive programs need to be investigated (proctors, graders, etc.) that would reduce the time teachers need to spend outside of the classroom, thus improving teachers’ quality of life and allowing them to focus more on teaching.

Education: connecting with the past, protecting the present, preparing for the future.