“Power over the schools is being fragmented in 
a hundred different directions.”

—Albert Shanker, American Federation of Teachers

“Governance of education...is made more diffi-
cult by federal officials who distrust our decen-
tralized system.”

—Anne Campbell, Council of Chief State School Officers

“Every state constitution says the state is re-
sponsible for education.”

—Wilson Riles, California Superintendent of Public Instruction

“Whatever happens to reshape schooling must 
take place where the child is, where the parent/
citizen concern exists, and where the teachers 
and principal can demonstrate their caring—at 
the individual school.”

—Carl Marburger, National Committee for Citizens in Education

“The future of education governance is in 
large part up to the American people. We all 
have a responsibility.”

—Congressman Carl Perkins, US House of Representatives
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