

Hypocrite-in-Chief

✘ **Hypocrisy** – n. The practice of professing beliefs, feelings or virtues that one does not hold or possess; insincerity.

While claiming his concern for America's children, President Obama cancels White House tours instead of cutting the countless numbers of wasteful projects, grants, and studies that fail to benefit any American life. Hypocrisy at its finest.

Sequestration was part of President Obama's Budget Control Act of 2011, which required \$85 billion in mandatory across-the-board budget cuts and was supposed to be an incentive for Congress to cut \$1.5 trillion over the next ten years – a mere drop in the bucket, by the way, in my humble opinion. But, of course, that never happened.

Instead of dealing directly with Congress to compromise on what could be cut – and there's a helluva lot that can be cut – Mr. Obama went around the country, in his inimitable style of belly-aching, whining about the disasters that would befall the United States if the sequester happened. Instead of showing some true leadership, Mr. Obama looked like Chicken Little crying, "the sky is falling, the sky is falling." He failed to propose a single cut from the hundreds of useless and wasteful programs funded by us, the U.S. taxpayers.

How hypocritical is all this coming from a President who thinks we don't spend enough already on education? Remember during the State of the Union Address, he spoke about working with states to "invest" (aka "spend") money to provide "high-quality preschool" to every child in America. For years, we've heard from him about hiring 100,000 new teachers (imagine all those union dues that will go to Democrat candidates) rather than insisting on more effective teachers.

Rather than providing an opportunity for school children to

learn about our government by visiting the White House, he spitefully decides to cancel all White House tours. I'm sure he's hoping the public will attribute this action to the Republicans, and, in the end, win back the House in the mid-term elections. I hope the American public isn't that stupid, but time will tell. I have my doubts.

So, for a guy who says he wants to put our children's education first, his actions actually show he doesn't much care about American schoolchildren. It's all about the politics.

I guess he thinks sending a delegation to Hugo Chavez's funeral in Venezuela was more worthy than our children even after its Vice President announced the expulsion of two U.S. diplomats for an alleged plot to destabilize its government.

I guess he really believes the TSA needs \$50 million in new uniforms?

I guess he's really behind Secy. of State, John Kerry's decision to release \$250 million of the \$1.5 billion in aid to the Egyptian government led by the anti-American, anti-Semitic Muslim Brotherhood.

I guess he's okay with lots of federal employees attending conferences at our expense. I read there were more than 894 conferences last year that cost us \$340 million. From my own experience, conferences are about a whole lot of people talking and getting absolutely nothing accomplished. How about taking some advice from the King (not you, Mr. Obama – the real “King” as in Elvis) – “a little less conversation and a little more action.”

I know, in reality, Mr. Obama doesn't want to cut \$1 in spending and just wants to raise taxes and raise taxes and raise them some more. But really? C'mon. Couldn't he come up with one suggestion to cut even \$1 from our federal budget?

And how about all the government agencies that overlap?

How much does all this cost us?

- Fifty-six programs across 20 agencies dealing with financial literacy.
- More than 2,100 data centers – up from 432 a little more than a decade ago – across 24 federal agencies. GAO estimated the government could save up to \$200 billion over the next decade by consolidating them.
- Twenty programs across seven agencies dealing with homelessness. A report found \$2.9 billion spent on the programs in 2009.
- Eighty-two “distinct” teacher-quality programs across 10 agencies. Nine of them address teacher quality in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math.
- Fifteen agencies administering 30 food-related laws.
- Eighty economic development programs.

If he really wanted to cut some pork out of the budget, it was a no-brainer. The fact is he doesn't want to. He'd rather lay sequestration at the door of the Republicans, when it was Mr. Obama who put it into play by signing the Budget Control Act of 2011, so, with the help of the mainstream media, the public can blame Republicans and not him. Nice move. It may work.

Rather than do his job, Mr. Obama talks about his concern for America's schoolchildren on the one hand, and yet shuts the White House doors to those same children. What a hypocrite.

I don't get it, but if you do, God bless you.