## **Picket in the Pines!** Put the PUBLIC back in public education

WHEN: Sunday, May 4, from 1 to 5 p.m.\*

WHERE: Meet at the Comfort Inn 2125 Saranac Ave Lake Placid, N.Y. 12946

**WHY:** Education Reform Now, a union-bashing "reform" group run by Wall Street hedge fund managers, is hosting a retreat at Lake Placid May 4-6. The hedge-funders' deep-pocket Political Action Committee — Democrats for Education Reform — also will hobnob at the \$1,000-a-head "Camp Philos."

These groups promote non-union charter schools, overreliance on standardized tests and Common Core, student-data collection, vouchers, merit pay, test-based teacher evaluations, privatization, and removing teacher unions from almost any role in shaping curriculum or determining working conditions.

**ACT:** Picket in the pines to put the "public" back in public education! For too long, so-called "reformers" have drowned out the voices of parents and teachers. These hedge-fund propagandists have contributed to New York State's Common Core mess, the (failed) In-Bloom push for student data, and the spread of corporate charters that undermine public schools serving all kids.



## \*Tentative program:

1-2 p.m. Lunch

**2-3:30 p.m.** Presentation by Sabrina Stevens of Integrity in Education

**3-4 p.m.** Picket Sign-In and Sign Making

## 4-5 p.m.

Picketing at the Whiteface Lodge where Education Reform Now and DFER are meeting

Based on participation and need, buses from NYSUT Regional Offices will be made available.

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