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**INQUIRY INTO THE BUILDING THE EDUCATION
REVOLUTION PROGRAM**

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Tottenham Central School's new canteen is an example of the gross mismanagement of funds under the BER program. The canteen cost just over \$611,000 for what equates to a single brick garage with a stainless steel bench around 2 sides. Since construction we have had outside estimates for our structure which have come back at between \$80,000 and \$100,000. The cost is beyond comprehension - where is the extra \$500,000? . As a taxpayer it is completely disheartening to see the absolute waste and roting of funds that is currently taking place under this scheme. The lack of consultation with schools and seemingly total disregard for schools' requests is absolutely astounding. How the government can stand up and say it can manage our economy when it cannot competently manage this program is terrifying. What could have been achieved with these funds if competently managed would have been amazing - what a wasted opportunity and what a burden on taxpayers for years to come to repay these funds!