



## Unions did well under Obama's education policy

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One conservative analyst reminds Americans that President Obama spent a great deal of money on education in his first term, but not necessarily on students.



Some Obama supporters credit the president with being strict with unions and sometimes proposing policies they disagree with. But Neal McCluskey of the <u>Cato Institute</u> says people forget the billions he has given to them.

"He basically gave about 100 billion dollars, [and] a big chunk of that 100 billion dollars [went] to make sure that nobody in the teachers union lost a job or took a pay cut, and he continues to say we need to hire more teachers, we need to put more money into education," McCluskey tells OneNewsNow.

However, he says if Romney wins the election, his education policies may not be that different in some areas.

"I would guess that he would do what the Obama administration is doing, which is saying if you want to get this money you have to sign onto some multi-state standard, which at this point is only common course," he states. "So I'm not sure that it will be all that different."

McCluskey does say Romney's education budget would not be nearly as massive as that of the current administration.