

## Jefferson & Teachers

I am still in awe of the genius contained within the thoughts and writings of the founders of our country. While in law school in Boston, I shared a house with six others. One day I found a poster that had been abandoned in the attic.

It was the first thing I framed for my office wall, and not long ago I realized that I have never included it within the messages I've been recording during the past seven years.

It's by Thomas Jefferson, a genuinely creative thinker and one of my true heroes ...

Despite more than two centuries of politics, war, and miraculous scientific achievements, I am still awed by the applicability of this quote .....it simply states:

“ I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of society but the people themselves,  
And if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion the remedy is not to take it from them but to inform their discretion by education”

Maybe the next time you are talking to a teacher you should mention this, and just say thanks.