

# New group fights to defend Darwinism

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A grass-roots organization calling itself the Message Group is fighting the Christian right and others by defending the teaching of Darwinian evolution.

The group, warning of "politically infused theological pseudo-science" is comprised mostly of Vietnam-era protesters, The Washington Post reported Wednesday.

The group's initial effort is to seek a Virginia school board endorsement of Darwinian theory, which has been attacked in many states by conservative Christian groups.

The intelligent design movement posits life is too complex to spring from just chemistry and biology and advocates re-writing textbooks and changing classroom curriculum.

The Message Group's members told the Post they are just "determined and balanced" voters worried about social conservatives.

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