

What We're Reading this Week

ADL Education recommends articles and blogs that highlight stories about anti-bias, social justice and general education



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April 13, 2020

- “The issues of equity and access, especially for students with disabilities, children living in poverty + those who are homeless, have forced school leaders to ask, ‘If we can’t teach every student equitably, should we be teaching any at all?’ [Should schools teach anyone who can get online – or no one at all?](#) (Hechinger Report)
- “Six in 10 teens overall are worried about being exposed to the coronavirus and their families’ ability to earn money.” [Survey: Teens Are Worried About Coronavirus, Especially Teens of Color](#) (Education Week)

- “It’s a lot more challenging to be able to concentrate and fully deliver. I try to make a to-do list, but I end up not even finishing it. It’s just a very unpredictable time.” [How do you manage college online – quarantined with eight people?](#) (Hechinger Report)
- “Teachers across the nation are turning to digital read-alouds not only to keep student skills sharp, but to forge connections while they’re apart.” [How Online Book Read-Alouds Can Help Students' Literacy and Connection During Social Distancing](#) (Mind/Shift)
- “With most schools closed nationwide because of the coronavirus pandemic, a national poll of young people ages 13 to 17 suggests distance learning has been far from a universal substitute.” [4 In 10 U.S. Teens Say They Haven't Done Online Learning Since Schools Closed](#) (NPR)

March 2, 2020

- “A massive new study of North Carolina classrooms over nearly 20 years finds that as racial segregation between schools went down, the racial isolation within the classrooms inside those schools went up.” [Hidden Segregation Within Schools Is Tracked in New Study](#) (Education Week)
- “Rather than just talking at parents – and asking them for money – research shows being welcoming, responsive and listening can create true learning partnerships.” [What the research says about the best way to engage parents](#) (Hechinger Report)
- “I think that no student should have to be told by their health teacher that they can't talk about their identity. I think that just really hurts a lot of teenagers. And I think it's definitely something that needs to change.” [LGBTQ Youth Fight For Equality In Sex Ed In South Carolina Classrooms](#) (NPR Education)
- “These works are filled with colorful images, talking animals, and fun stories that students are able to follow, preparing them to analyze and discuss more

complex, real-world examples of similar ideas." [Scaffolding Complex Topics in Middle School Social Studies](#) (Edutopia)

February 10, 2020

- "Those terrifying and traumatizing drills – they have no basis in fact and they harm more than they have ever helped." [2 Big Teachers Unions Call For Rethinking Student Involvement In Lockdown Drills](#) (Mind/Shift)
- "While the trends are headed in the right direction in education, the low proportion of women and individuals of color in the most powerful district position in education is still troubling." [Survey: Superintendents still overwhelmingly white, male](#) (Education Dive)
- "Streamline decision-making and improve communication—and staff buy-in—with these simple strategies." [7 Tips for Effective School Leadership](#) (Edutopia)
- "These practices continue to exist, even though every mainstream medical and mental health organization rejects the approach, because of enduring homophobia and false beliefs around being gay." [For Years Utah's LGBTQ Children Were Subjected to Conversion Therapy. That's About to End.](#) (Newsweek)
- "When presented with options, white parents choose schools that are more white and more affluent than other choices available to them." [White Parents Say They Value Integrated Schools. Their Actions Speak Differently](#) (Education Week)