



KINDERGARTEN TODAY

Mary Lynn Spiker

2017 Idaho Teacher of the Year

AS OF 2014, 33 PERCENT OF ALL PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN POVERTY WERE CHILDREN-MORE THAN 15.4 MILLION, OR 21 PERCENT OF ALL CHILDREN IN THE UNITED STATES.

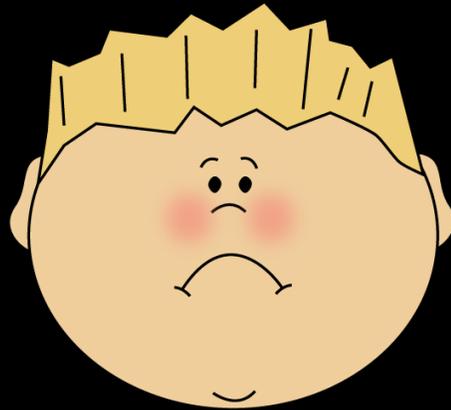
U.S. Census Bureau, 2014



THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN POVERTY CLIMBED TO 46.7 MILLION - ONE IN SEVEN AMERICANS - THE LARGEST NUMBER SINCE POVERTY RATES HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED.

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CHILDREN RAISED IN POVERTY ARE LIKELY TO DISPLAY ACTING OUT BEHAVIORS, IMPATIENCE AND IMPULSIVITY, GAPS IN POLITENESS AND SOCIAL GRACES, A MORE LIMITED RANGE OF BEHAVIORAL RESPONSES AND LESS EMPATHY FOR OTHERS' MISFORTUNES.



Teaching With Poverty in Mind
Eric Jensen, 2009

"SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE CONTRIBUTES IN IMPORTANT WAYS TO STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. CHILDREN IN POOR HEALTH ATTEND QUALITY SCHOOLS LESS REGULARLY. THOSE WITH INADEQUATE HOUSING CHANGE SCHOOLS FREQUENTLY, DISRUPTING NOT ONLY THEIR OWN EDUCATION BUT THOSE OF THEIR CLASSMATES. CHILDREN WHOSE HOMES LACK INTELLECTUAL STIMULATION ENTER SCHOOL ALREADY SO FAR BEHIND THAT THEY RARELY CAN CATCH UP."

"A Nation at Risk" Twenty-Five years Later

Richard Rothstein

LOW-INCOME PARENTS HOLD THE SAME
ATTITUDES ABOUT EDUCATION THAT WEALTHY
PARENTS DO.

Compton-Lily, 2003, Lareau and Horvat, 1999, Leichter, 1978



IT MIGHT BE SAID MORE ACCURATELY THAT
SCHOOLS THAT FAIL TO TAKE THESE
CONSIDERATIONS INTO ACCOUNT DO NOT VALUE
THE INVOLVEMENT OF POOR FAMILIES AS MUCH
AS THEY VALUE THE INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER
FAMILIES.

Educational Leadership

Paul Gorski, 2008





JOURNEY BACK IN TIME...

Kindergarten 2016-Present

EVERY TIME WE THINK WE HAVE MEASURED OUR
CAPACITY TO MEET A CHALLENGE WE NEED TO LOOK
UP AND BE REMINDED OUR CAPACITY MAY BE
LIMITLESS. THIS IS THE TIME TO DO WHAT IS HARD,
ACHIEVE WHAT IS GREAT, AND REACH FOR THE STARS.

West Wing Series

President Bartlet played by Martin Sheen

