

Education Book Recommendation

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I have done a lot of reading about education in the last several years. This book is the one that I recommend most highly if you are interested in this area:

<http://www.amazon.com/Smartest-Kids-Worl...>

In particular, it is interesting and alarming to learn about what is going on in Korea and how this could be an unfortunate view of the future here. The high pressure system produced a grisly crime story that shocked the nation, but attempts at reform were undermined by parents continuing to seek advantages for their kids.

The sections on Finland and Poland are also highly informative, the former in terms of how they tackled the teacher quality issue, the latter in terms of how a country reformed its school system in a relatively short period of time.

After posting this note and my two responses to Carole (on teacher salaries) and Anne (on her troubles getting kids into accelerated math programs so that they could take AP classes later) in the "Supporting Public Schools" thread below, I have to call it a day for today and move on to other tasks.

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