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*Policy Making in Education* Rowman &  
 Littlefield Publishers

What is a charter school? Where do they  
 come from? Who promotes them, and  
 why? What are they supposed to do? Are  
 they the silver bullet to the ills plaguing  
 the American public education system?  
 This book provides a comprehensive and  
 accessible overview and analysis of  
 charter schools and their many  
 dimensions. It shows that charter schools  
 as a whole lower the quality of education  
 through the privatization and

marketization of education. The final  
 chapter provides readers with a way  
 toward rethinking and remaking education  
 in a way that is consistent with modern  
 requirements. Society and its members  
 need a fully funded high quality public  
 education system open to all and  
 controlled by a public authority.  
*Bureaucracy in Education* Pine Forge Press  
 In the World Library of Educationalists  
 series, international experts compile  
 career-long collections of what they judge  
 to be their finest pieces - extracts from  
 books, key article, salient research  
 findings, major theoretical and practical  
 contributions - so the world can read them  
 in a single manageable volume. Readers  
 will be able to follow the themes and

strands and see how their work  
 contributes to the development of the  
 field. Carl A. Grant has spent the last 35  
 years researching, teaching, thinking and  
 writing about some of the key enduring  
 issues in multicultural education. He has  
 contributed to a multitude of books and  
 articles, and is former President of the  
 National Association for Multicultural  
 Education. In his selected works, Carl  
 Grant brings together 14 of his key  
 writings in one place. Starting with a  
 specially written Introduction, which gives  
 an overview of his career and  
 contextualises his selection within the  
 development of the field, the book is  
 divided into three parts: - Race and  
 Educational Equity - Theorizing

Multicultural Education - Multicultural Teacher Education. This book not only shows how Carl Grant's thinking developed during his long and distinguished career, it also gives an insight into the development of the fields to which he contributed.

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**Philosophy of Education** Routledge

Why are some countries without an apparent abundance of natural resources, such as Japan, economic success stories, while other languish in the doldrums of slow growth. In this comprehensive look at North American economic history, Marc Egnal argues that culture and institutions play an integral role in determining economic outcome. He focuses his examination on the eight colonies of the North, five colonies of the South (which together made up the original thirteen states), and French Canada. Using census data, diaries, travelers' accounts, and current scholarship, Egnal systematically explores how institutions (such as slavery in the South and the seigneurial system in French Canada) and cultural arenas (such as religion, literacy, entrepreneurial spirit, and intellectual activity) influenced development. He seeks to answer why three societies with similar standards of living in 1750 became so dissimilar in development. By the mid-nineteenth century, the northern states had surged ahead in growth, and this gap continued to widen into the twentieth century. Egnal argues that culture and institutions allowed this growth in the North, not resources or government policies. Both the South and French Canada stressed hierarchy and social order more than the drive for wealth. Rarely have such parallels been drawn between these two societies. Complete numerous helpful appendices, figures, tables, and maps, *Divergent Paths* is a rich source of unique perspectives on economic development with strong implications for emerging societies.

**Resources in Education** New York : Praeger

What do we really want from schools? Only everything, in all its contradictions. Most of all, we want access and opportunity for all children—but all possible advantages for our own. So argues historian David Labaree in this provocative look at the way “this archetype of dysfunction works so well at what we want it to do even as it evades what we explicitly ask it to do.” Ever since the common school movement of the nineteenth century, mass schooling has been seen as an essential solution to great social problems. Yet as wave after wave of reform movements have shown,

schools are extremely difficult to change. Labaree shows how the very organization of the locally controlled, administratively limited school system makes reform difficult. At the same time, he argues, the choices of educational consumers have always overwhelmed top-down efforts at school reform. Individual families seek to use schools for their own purposes—to pursue social opportunity, if they need it, and to preserve social advantage, if they have it. In principle, we want the best for all children. In practice, we want the best for our own. Provocative, unflinching, wry, *Someone Has to Fail* looks at the way that unintended consequences of consumer choices have created an extraordinarily resilient educational system, perpetually expanding, perpetually unequal, constantly being reformed, and never changing much.

*Politics of Classroom Life* Routledge

This benchmark 6-volume set documents, analyzes, and critiques a comprehensive body of research on the history of multicultural education in the U.S. The volumes reflect the tenets of multicultural education, its history, its present, and individuals whose work has contributed significantly to equity and social justice for all citizens. By collecting and providing a framework for key publications spanning the last 30-40 years, this set provides a means of understanding and visualizing the development, implementation, and interpretation of multicultural education in American society. The volumes do not promote any one scholar's or group's vision of multicultural education, but include conflicting ideals that inform multiple interpretations. Each volume contains archival documents organized around a specific theme: Conceptual Frameworks and Curricular Content; Foundations and Stratifications; Instruction and Assessment; Policy and Governance; Students and Student Achievement; Teachers and Teacher Education. The historical time line within each volume illustrates the progression of research and theory on its theme and encourages readers to reflect on the changes in language and thinking concerning educational scholarship in that area.

**Dividing the Public** Routledge

In *Dividing the Public*, Matthew Gardner Kelly takes aim at the racial and economic disparities that characterize public education funding in the United States. With California as his focus, Kelly illustrates that the use of local taxes to fund public education was never an inadvertent or de facto product of past practices, but an intentional decision adopted in place of well-known

alternatives during the Progressive Era, against past precedent and principle in several states. From efforts to convert expropriated Indigenous and Mexican land into common school funding in the 1850s, to reforms that directed state aid to expanding white suburbs during the years surrounding World War II, *Dividing the Public* traces, in intricate detail, how a host of policies connected to school funding have divided California by race and class over time. In bringing into view the neglected and poorly understood history of policymaking connected to school finance, Kelly offers a new story about the role public education played in shaping the racially segregated, economically divided, and politically fragmented world of the post-1945 metropolis.

*Charter School Report Card* Cambridge University Press

In 1961 the Centre for the Study of the History of Education at Ghent University, Belgium published the first issue of the multilingual journal *Paedagogica Historica: International Journal of the History of Education*. This book celebrates its fiftieth volume. In fourteen contributions written by different generations of historians of education, it demonstrates that in an era where the history of education at university level is at risk, both the journal and the discipline are pulsing, and alive and kicking. Was the journal a trendsetter or a follower, and which position did it take with respect to the International Standing Conference for the History of Education? These are questions addressed in the first section of this book. In the second section, a number of articles show national and transnational developments of the history of education. In their diversity, they make clear how the national and the transnational together characterize the discipline. They show why journals in this domain should stimulate the development of broader concepts and theories in order to put national and regional cases in a broader scientific context and to make them attractive for international readership. In the last section authors turn their minds to the future of the history of education. They write about the shaping of new trends and about moving beyond borders, focusing on, among other things, the challenge of neurosciences and of digital humanities. This book was originally published as a special issue of *Paedagogica Historica*.

*Education and Empowerment in India*

Temple University Press

Presents the most recent theories, research, terms, concepts, ideas, and histories on educational leadership and school administration as taught in

preparation programs and practiced in schools and colleges today.

*The Enigmatic Academy* Routledge

Our students aren't learning, we're falling behind other countries, and many of our college graduates are even functionally illiterate. We offer our kids a weak and poorly thought out curriculum; too many teachers do not make good use of classroom time and follow lesson plans that are superficial and repetitive; almost all state governments define "proficiency" at low levels of competency; and because kids with very uneven skills populate a classroom, teachers spend considerable time on review before introducing new material. This dismal picture is tempered by the fact that the hard work and dedication of countless teachers and administrators means that many students get an excellent education. But it doesn't temper it much. As a group, even our top students are not as strong as are those in a large majority of other rich countries. But it doesn't have to be this way.

Katherine Baird, an economist, starts by clearly spelling out how our educational system is trapped in mediocrity. Yet, she doesn't just expose where we are. She identifies the steps to get out of the trap. We need to (1) dramatically reform our education's governance structure, (2) establish high expectations for all students, (3) provide adequate support to meet those expectations, and (4) introduce strong incentives for students to work hard in school so they do their part in meeting higher standards. Clearly, it isn't as simple as it sounds, but Baird carefully examines each factor that has led to the current state in education and then spells out how a combination of policies will weaken the forces that keep our schools mediocre and instead make them ones worth copying

**The Asian American Educational Experience** SAGE

The contributions to *The Asian American Educational Experience* examine the most significant issues and concerns in the education of Asian Americans.

Contributors, all leading experts in their fields, provide theoretical discussions, practical insights and recommendations, historical perspectives and an analytical context for the many issues crucial to the education of this diverse population--controversies in higher education over alleged admissions quotas, stereotypes of Asian American students as "whiz kids", Asian Americans as the "model minority", bilingual education, education of refugee and immigrant populations, educational quality and equity. Special emphasis is given to both the historic debates which

have shaped the field, and the concerns and challenges facing educators of Asian American students at both the K-12 and university level.

*Divergent Paths : How Culture and Institutions Have Shaped North American Growth* SUNY Press

The United States has seen several anti-Asian movements, as evidenced by immigration policies, naturalization laws, state and local statutes, and acts of violence. In recent years, Asian Americans have mobilized against prejudice and discrimination, organizing media groups and panethnic coalitions to achieve greater political effectiveness. These essays address recent issues of interethnic relations and conflict and politics in Asian American communities, ranging from the Japanese American redress movement for unjustified World War II internment, Japan-bashing, the model minority stereotype, resistance to urban renewal, interethnic conflicts with other groups, Asian American politics, Asian American panethnicity, and involvement in ancestral homeland politics.

*Schools on Trial* Cornell University Press

This work looks at why many of America's schools are failing and relates how parents, activists, and education reformers are joining together to fix a system that works for adults but consistently fails the children it is meant to educate. In it the author takes a look at the adults who are fighting over America's failure to educate its children, and points the way to reversing that failure.

*Trapped in Mediocrity* Chicago : Nelson-Hall

During the 1980s, widespread dissatisfaction with America's schools gave rise to a powerful movement for educational change, and the nation's political institutions responded with aggressive reforms. Chubb and Moe argue that these reforms are destined to fail because they do not get to the root of the problem. The fundamental causes of poor academic performance, they claim, are not to be found in the schools, but rather in the institutions of direct democratic control by which the schools have traditionally been governed. Reformers fail to solve the problem-when the institutions ARE the problem. The authors recommend a new system of public education, built around parent-student choice and school competition, that would promote school autonomy--thus providing a firm foundation for genuine school improvement and superior student achievement.

*Class, Bureaucracy, and Schools*

Fairleigh Dickinson Univ Press

As the recession worsens, more and more Americans must turn to welfare to make ends meet. Once inside the agency, the newly jobless will face a bureaucracy that has undergone massive change since the advent of welfare reform in 1996. A behind-the-scenes look at bureaucracy's human face, *The New Welfare Bureaucrats* is a compelling study of welfare officers and how they navigate the increasingly tangled political and emotional terrain of their jobs. Celeste Watkins-Hayes here reveals how welfare reform engendered a shift in focus for caseworkers from simply providing monetary aid to the much more complex process of helping recipients find work. Now both more intimately involved in their clients' lives and wielding greater power over their well-being, welfare officers' racial, class, and professional identities have become increasingly important factors in their work. Based on the author's extensive fieldwork in two very different communities in the northeast, *The New Welfare Bureaucrats* is a boon to anyone looking to understand the impact of the institutional and policy changes wrought by welfare reform as well as the subtle social dynamics that shape the way welfare is meted out at the individual level.

*Class, bureaucracy, and schools* Routledge

The growing economic competition among the world's industrialized and developing nations has spurred comparisons and examinations of national school systems. An important aspect of any school system is school and classroom management, which is an indicator of the ultimate goals that a nation has for its future workers. In this volume, international scholars examine the daily life of elementary school classrooms in six nations with complex economies, an international presence, and salient minority and immigrant populations. These original essays analyze contemporary classroom management practices and policies, as well as their historical and theoretical frameworks.

*The City and Education in Four Nations* Harvard University Press

Focuses on the relationship between education and social change. This work considers the impact of social forces such as industrialization, urbanization, immigration and cultural conflict on the development of schools and other educational institutions.

*Multiculturalism in Education and Teaching* Routledge

A devastating critique of the American way of education and a hopeful blueprint for change which can unlock the creativity and joy of learning inherent in all students.

In this book Nikhil Goyal—a journalist and activist, whom The Washington Post has dubbed a “future education secretary” and Forbes has named to its 30 Under 30 list—both offers a scathing indictment of our teach-to-the-test-while-killing-the-spirit educational assembly line and maps out a path for all of our schools to harness children’s natural aptitude for learning by creating an atmosphere conducive to freedom and creativity. He prescribes an inspiring educational future that is thoroughly democratic and experiential, and one that utilizes the entire community as a classroom.

**The Politicization of Parenthood**

Harvard University Press

This work explains the rise and evolution of an occupational group in its efforts to professionalize, and offers an interpretive analysis of the factors that have historically shaped and influenced public school supervision.

*Class, Bureaucracy, and Schools*

Routledge

'Open', 'informal', and 'humanistic' are words used to describe new styles of education which depart from ordinary or traditional education. Too often, however, these adjectives are used in a strongly polemical or self-justifying rather than analytical way. Often too, the grounds for accepting or rejecting open education are political or moral, instead of being based on a consideration of the nature of open education and its strength and weaknesses. This collection of essays is central to the debate on open education, analyzing the important concepts in the field. The contributions, all written by authorities on the philosophy of education, deal with problems of definition, knowledge, socialization, freedom, cultural perspective, and unique meanings and metaphors.

**Politics, Markets, and America's Schools**

Routledge

Campaigns against Corporal Punishment explores the theory and practice of punishment in Antebellum America from a broad, comparative perspective. It probes the concerns underlying the naval, prison, domestic, and educational reform campaigns which occurred in New England and New York from the late 1820s to the late 1850s. Focusing on the common forms of physical punishment inflicted on seamen, prisoners, women, and children, the book reveals the effect of these campaigns on actual disciplinary practices. Myra C. Glenn also places the crusade against corporal punishment in the context of various other contemporary reform movements such as the crusade against intemperance and that against slavery. She shows how regional and political differences affected discussions of punishment and discipline.