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U.S. PERFORMANCE ACROSS INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENTS OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE CONDITION OF EDUCATION 2009

The "Condition of Education" summarizes important developments and trends in education using the latest available data. For the 2009 edition, the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) prepared this supplemental report to take a closer look at U.S. student performance on international assessments. This special analysis examines the performance of U.S. students in reading, mathematics, and science compared with the performance of their peers in other countries that participated in the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS), the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA), and the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS). It identifies which of these countries have outperformed the United States, in terms of students' average scores and then percentage of students reaching internationally benchmarked performance levels, and which countries have done so consistently. Major findings for reading include: (1) In PIRLS 2006, the average U.S. 4th-graders' reading literacy score (540) was above the PIRLS scale average of 500, but below that of 4th-graders in 10 of the 45 participating countries, including 3 Canadian provinces; and (2) Among the 28 countries that participated in both the 2001 and 2006 PIRLS assessments, the average reading literacy score increased in 8 countries and decreased in 6 countries; in the rest of these countries, including the United States, there was no measurable change in the average reading literacy score between 2001 and 2006; the number of these countries that outperformed the United States increased from 3 in 2001 to 7 in 2006. Major findings in mathematics include: (1) The 2007 TIMSS results showed that U.S. students' average mathematics score was 529 for 4th-graders and 508 for 8th-graders; both scores were above the TIMSS scale average, which is set at 500 for every administration of TIMSS at both grades, and both were higher than the respective U.S. score in 1995; and (2) In PISA 2006, U.S. 15-year-old students' average mathematics literacy score of 474 was lower than the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) average of 498, and placed U.S. 15-year-olds in the bottom quarter of participating OECD nations, a relative position unchanged from 2003. In science, major findings include: (1) The 2007 TIMSS results showed that U.S. students' average science score was 539 for 4th-graders and 520 for 8th-graders; both scores were above the TIMSS scale average, which is set at 500 for every administration of TIMSS at both grades, but neither was measurably different than the respective U.S. score in 1995; and (2) In PISA 2006, U.S. 15-year-old students' average science literacy score of 489 was lower than the OECD average of 500, and placed U.S. 15-year-olds in the bottom third of participating OECD nations; fifteen-year-old students in 16 of the 29 other participating OECD-member countries outperformed their U.S. peers in terms of average scores. Technical notes about the data sources, methodology, and standard errors are appended. (Contains 42 footnotes, 17 figures and 17 tables.) [For "The Condition of Education 2009. NCES 2009-081," see ED505415.]

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE EDUCATION 2012 PROCEEDINGS

SCIENCE EDUCATION: POLICIES AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Springer This book contains papers presented at the International Conference on Science Education 2012, ICSE 2012, held in Nanjing University, Nanjing, China. It features the work of science education researchers from around the world addressing a common theme, Science Education: Policies and Social Responsibilities. The book covers a range of topics including international science education standards, public science education and science teacher education. It also examines how STEM education has dominated some countries' science education policy, ways brain research might provide new approaches for assessment, how some countries are developing their new national science education standards with research-based evidence and ways science teacher educators can learn from each other. Science education research is vital in the development of national science education policies, including science education standards, teacher professional development and public understanding of science. Featuring the work of an international group of science education researchers, this book offers many insightful ideas, experiences and strategies that will help readers better understand and address challenges in the field.

INTERNATIONAL HANDBOOK OF RESEARCH ON MULTICULTURAL SCIENCE EDUCATION

Springer Nature This handbook gathers in one volume the major research and scholarship related to multicultural science education that has developed since the field was named and established by Atwater in 1993. Culture is defined in this handbook as an integrated pattern of shared values, beliefs, languages, worldviews, behaviors, artifacts, knowledge, and social and political relationships of a group of people in a particular place or time that the people use to understand or make meaning of their world, each other, and other groups of people and to transmit these to succeeding generations. The research studies include both different kinds of qualitative and quantitative studies. The chapters in this volume reflect differing ideas about culture and its impact on science learning and teaching in different K-14 contexts and policy issues. Research findings about groups that are underrepresented in STEM in the United States, and in other countries related to language issues and indigenous knowledge are included in this volume.

APPROACHES AND STRATEGIES IN NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE LEARNING

IGI Global Approaches and Strategies in Next Generation Science Learning examines the challenges involved in the development of modern curriculum models, teaching strategies, and assessments in science education in order to prepare future students in the 21st century economies. This comprehensive collection of research brings together science educators, researchers and administrators interested in enhancing the teaching and learning of next generation science.

HEALTH INFORMATION IN A CHANGING WORLD: PRACTICAL APPROACHES FOR TEACHERS, SCHOOLS, AND SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

Libraries Unlimited This holistic guide explains how school librarians and teachers can successfully integrate relevant health concepts and life skills throughout the curriculum for students K through 12. • 15 original line drawings illustrating health issues, plus many images drawn from major image collections such as the National Library of Medicine and the Library of Congress • Extensive bibliographies of material that can be used to teach health issues, including selected listings of major health textbooks used in the United States and Canada • List of helpful selection aids and sources for online health information sites

STRENGTHENING FORENSIC SCIENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

A PATH FORWARD

National Academies Press Scores of talented and dedicated people serve the forensic science community, performing vitally important work. However, they are often constrained by lack of adequate resources, sound policies, and national support. It is clear that change and advancements, both systematic and scientific, are needed in a number of forensic science disciplines to ensure the reliability of work, establish enforceable standards, and promote best practices with consistent application. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward provides a detailed plan for addressing these needs and suggests the creation of a new government entity, the National Institute of Forensic Science, to establish and enforce standards within the forensic science community. The benefits of improving and regulating the forensic science disciplines are clear: assisting law enforcement officials, enhancing homeland security, and reducing the risk of wrongful conviction and exoneration. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States gives a full account of what is needed to advance the forensic science disciplines, including upgrading of systems and organizational structures, better training, widespread adoption of uniform and enforceable best practices, and mandatory certification and accreditation programs. While this book provides an essential call-to-action for congress and policy makers, it also serves as a vital tool for law enforcement agencies, criminal prosecutors and attorneys, and forensic science educators.

DEBATES IN SCIENCE EDUCATION

Routledge What are the key debates in science teaching and learning today? Debates in Science Education explores the major issues all science teachers encounter in their daily professional lives. It encourages critical reflection and aims to stimulate both novice and experienced teachers to think more deeply about their practice, and link research and evidence to what they have observed in schools. Written by expert science educators, chapters tackle established and contemporary issues enabling you to reach informed judgements and argue your point of view with deeper theoretical knowledge and understanding. Each chapter is supported and extended by carefully selected further reading and reflective questions. Key debates include: the impact of policy on science education; transition from primary to secondary school; getting right the secondary science curriculum; girls in science; sex education and science; school science and technology; language and communication in the classroom; world science, local science. With its combination of expert opinion and fresh insight, Debates in Science Education is the ideal companion for any student or practising teacher engaged in initial training, continuing professional development and Masters level study.

CREATING A HEALTHY SCHOOL USING THE HEALTHY SCHOOL REPORT CARD

ASCD Successful students are not only knowledgeable but also emotionally and physically healthy, motivated, civically engaged, prepared for work and economic self-sufficiency, and ready for the world beyond their own borders. To help students meet this standard, a school must use a coordinated, evidence-based approach that supports learning, teaching and student growth--in short, the school must create a healthy school community. This action tool, and accompanying online scoring and analysis tool, offers a practical strategy for structuring your school environment to support the development of students who have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to make healthy choices. Updated to reflect current research, new standards, and best practices, the second edition of the action tool guides you

through the four steps of the Healthy School Report Card process with rationale, tips from successful participants, and easy-to-use tools. Tools for organizing can help you develop a school-level process for working with your community. You can then use the scoring tools to assess your school's current health programming and create an evidence-based environment that supports learning and teaching. With the tools for reporting, you can use the Healthy School Report Card to meet required guidelines and identify and prioritize areas for improvement. The data you collect can assist your ongoing efforts to garner the support of policymakers, family members, and the community.

STUDENT MISCONCEPTIONS AND ERRORS IN PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS

EXPLORING DATA FROM TIMSS AND TIMSS ADVANCED

Springer Nature This open access report explores the nature and extent of students' misconceptions and misunderstandings related to core concepts in physics and mathematics and physics across grades four, eight and 12. Twenty years of data from the IEA's Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) and TIMSS Advanced assessments are analyzed, specifically for five countries (Italy, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovenia, and the United States) who participated in all or almost all TIMSS and TIMSS Advanced assessments between 1995 and 2015. The report focuses on students' understandings related to gravitational force in physics and linear equations in mathematics. It identifies some specific misconceptions, errors, and misunderstandings demonstrated by the TIMSS Advanced grade 12 students for these core concepts, and shows how these can be traced back to poor foundational development of these concepts in earlier grades. Patterns in misconceptions and misunderstandings are reported by grade, country, and gender. In addition, specific misconceptions and misunderstandings are tracked over time, using trend items administered in multiple assessment cycles. The study and associated methodology may enable education systems to help identify specific needs in the curriculum, improve inform instruction across grades and also raise possibilities for future TIMSS assessment design and reporting that may provide more diagnostic outcomes.

INQUIRE WITHIN

IMPLEMENTING INQUIRY- AND ARGUMENT-BASED SCIENCE STANDARDS IN GRADES 3-8

Corwin Press Your definitive guide to inquiry- and argument-based science—updated for today's standards! Doug Llewellyn's two big aims with this new edition of *Inquire Within?* To help you engage students in activities and explorations that draw on their big questions, then build students' capacity to defend their claims. Always striking a balance between the "why" and the "how," new features include how to Teach argumentation, a key requirement of both the Common Core and NGSS Adapt your existing science curricula and benefit from the book's many lesson plans Improve students' language learning and communication skills through inquiry-based instruction Develop your own inquiry-based mindset

LIFE-SPAN DEVELOPMENT: INFANCY THROUGH ADULTHOOD

Cengage Learning The combined features that distinguish this text from other titles can be summarized with an acronym: CARE C utting edge research A pplied developmental science R eadability E ssential knowledge Written by respected child, adolescent, and adulthood development experts, this authoritative and chronologically organized text presents an integrated perspective on lifespan development. The authors write in an engaging manner, synthesizing biological, social, cultural, and socioeconomic influences as opposed to organizing content around developmental themes. Incorporation of classic and cutting-edge research includes extensive coverage of new research in developmental neuroscience, which has transformed the study of lifespan development by introducing brain maturation. At the same time, the text emphasizes the application of developmental psychology to real world problems, focusing on the ways in which knowledge of child development can inform social policy and practice in the fields of child care, education, mental health, and family life. The text also examines the many fascinating changes that take place through adulthood to help students answer the important question: Who will I become tomorrow? And with a separate epilogue that focuses on death and dying, the book takes students on a developmental journey from our first breath to our last. Reflecting the authors' combined expertise, the broad array of real-life examples resonate with students from different backgrounds and fields of study, and with different occupational goals in mind. With its distinctive and effective combination of cutting-edge research, applications, readability, and essential knowledge, this text helps students understand and appreciate what today's scientists are discovering about human development across the lifespan, how they study the process, and how this knowledge can be used to improve the lives of infants, children, adolescents, and adults around the world. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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A FRAMEWORK FOR K-12 SCIENCE EDUCATION

PRACTICES, CROSSCUTTING CONCEPTS, AND CORE IDEAS

National Academies Press Science, engineering, and technology permeate nearly every facet of modern life and hold the key to solving many of humanity's most pressing current and future challenges. The United States' position in the global economy is declining, in part because U.S. workers lack fundamental knowledge in these fields. To address the critical issues of U.S. competitiveness and to better prepare the workforce, A Framework for K-12 Science Education proposes a new approach to K-12 science education that will capture students' interest and provide them with the necessary foundational knowledge in the field. A Framework for K-12 Science Education outlines a broad set of expectations for students in science and engineering in grades K-12. These expectations will inform the development of new standards for K-12 science education and, subsequently, revisions to curriculum, instruction, assessment, and professional development for educators. This book identifies three dimensions that convey the core ideas and practices around which science and engineering education in these grades should be built. These three dimensions are: crosscutting concepts that unify the study of science through their common application across science and engineering; scientific and engineering practices; and disciplinary core ideas in the physical sciences, life sciences, and earth and space sciences and for engineering, technology, and the applications of science. The overarching goal is for all high school graduates to have sufficient knowledge of science and engineering to engage in public discussions on science-related issues, be careful consumers of scientific and technical information, and enter the careers of their choice. A Framework for K-12 Science Education is the first step in a process that can inform state-level decisions and achieve a research-grounded basis for improving science instruction and learning across the country. The book will guide standards developers, teachers, curriculum designers, assessment developers, state and district science administrators, and educators who teach science in informal environments.

TAKING SCIENCE TO SCHOOL

LEARNING AND TEACHING SCIENCE IN GRADES K-8

National Academies Press What is science for a child? How do children learn about science and how to do science? Drawing on a vast array of work from neuroscience to classroom observation, *Taking Science to School* provides a comprehensive picture of what we know about teaching and learning science from kindergarten through eighth grade. By looking at a broad range of questions, this book provides a basic foundation for guiding science teaching and supporting students in their learning. *Taking Science to School* answers such questions as: When do children begin to learn about science? Are there critical stages in a child's development of such scientific concepts as mass or animate objects? What role does nonschool learning play in children's knowledge of science? How can science education capitalize on children's natural curiosity? What are the best tasks for books, lectures, and hands-on learning? How can teachers be taught to teach science? The book also provides a detailed examination of how we know what we know about children's learning of science--about the role of research and evidence. This book will be an essential resource for everyone involved in K-8 science education--teachers, principals, boards of education, teacher education providers and accreditors, education researchers, federal education agencies, and state and federal policy makers. It will also be a useful guide for parents and others interested in how children learn.

ENHANCING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TEAM SCIENCE

National Academies Press The past half-century has witnessed a dramatic increase in the scale and complexity of scientific research. The growing scale of science has been accompanied by a shift toward collaborative research, referred to as "team science." Scientific research is increasingly conducted by small teams and larger groups rather than individual investigators, but the challenges of collaboration can slow these teams' progress in achieving their scientific goals. How does a team-based approach work, and how can universities and research institutions support teams? *Enhancing the Effectiveness of Team Science* synthesizes and integrates the available research to provide guidance on assembling the science team; leadership, education and professional development for science teams and groups. It also examines institutional and organizational structures and policies to support science teams and identifies areas where further research is needed to help science teams and groups achieve their scientific and translational goals. This report offers major public policy recommendations for science research agencies and policymakers, as well as recommendations for individual scientists, disciplinary associations, and research universities. *Enhancing the Effectiveness of Team Science* will be of interest to university research administrators, team science leaders, science faculty, and graduate and postdoctoral students.

UNCERTAINTY AND GRAPHING IN DISCOVERY WORK

IMPLICATIONS FOR AND APPLICATIONS IN STEM EDUCATION

Springer This book deals with uncertainty and graphing in scientific discovery work from a social practice perspective. It is based on a 5-year ethnographic study in an advanced experimental biology laboratory. The book shows how, in discovery work where scientists do not initially know what to make of graphs, there is a great deal of uncertainty and scientists struggle in trying to make sense of what to make of graphs. Contrary to the belief that scientists have no problem "interpreting" graphs, the chapters in this book make clear that uncertainty about their research object is tied to uncertainty of the graphs. It may take scientists several years of struggle in their workplace before they find out just what their graphs are evidence of. Graphs turn out to stand to the entire research in a part/whole relation, where scientists not only need to be highly familiar with the context from which their data are extracted but also with the entire process by means of which the natural world comes to be transformed and represented in the graph. This has considerable implications for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education at the secondary and tertiary level, as well as in vocational training. This book discusses and elaborates these implications.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON CHILDHOOD OBESITY

CURRENT STATUS, CONSEQUENCES AND PREVENTION

Academic Press Understanding the complex factors contributing to the growing childhood obesity epidemic is vital not only for the improved health of the world's future generations, but for the healthcare system. The impact of childhood obesity reaches beyond the individual family and into the public arenas of social systems and government policy and programs. *Global Perspectives on Childhood Obesity* explores these with an approach that considers the current state of childhood obesity around the world as well as future projections, the most highly cited factors contributing to childhood obesity, what it means for the future both for children and society, and suggestions for steps to address and potentially prevent childhood obesity. This book will cover the multi-faceted factors contributing to the rapidly growing childhood obesity epidemic. The underlying causes and current status of rapidly growing obesity epidemic in children in the global scenario will be discussed. The strategies for childhood obesity prevention and treatment such as physical activity and exercise, personalized nutrition plans and school and community involvement will be presented.

HANDBOOK OF X-RAY IMAGING

PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY

CRC Press Containing chapter contributions from over 130 experts, this unique publication is the first handbook dedicated to the physics and technology of X-ray imaging, offering extensive coverage of the field. This highly comprehensive work is edited by one of the world's leading experts in X-ray imaging physics and technology and has been created with guidance from a Scientific Board containing respected and renowned scientists from around the world. The book's scope includes 2D and 3D X-ray imaging techniques from soft-X-ray to megavoltage energies, including computed tomography, fluoroscopy, dental imaging and small animal imaging, with several chapters dedicated to breast imaging techniques. 2D and 3D industrial imaging is incorporated, including imaging of artworks. Specific attention is dedicated to techniques of phase contrast X-ray imaging. The approach undertaken is one that illustrates the theory as well as the techniques and the devices routinely used in the various fields. Computational aspects are fully covered, including 3D reconstruction algorithms, hard/software phantoms, and computer-aided diagnosis. Theories of image quality are fully illustrated. Historical, radioprotection, radiation dosimetry, quality assurance and educational aspects are also covered. This handbook will be suitable for a very broad audience, including graduate students in medical physics and biomedical engineering; medical physics residents; radiographers; physicists and engineers in the field of imaging and non-destructive industrial testing using X-rays; and scientists interested in understanding and using X-ray imaging techniques. The handbook's editor, Dr. Paolo Russo, has over 30 years' experience in the academic teaching of medical physics and X-ray imaging research. He has authored several book chapters in the field of X-ray imaging, is Editor-in-Chief of an international scientific journal in medical physics, and has responsibilities in the publication committees of international scientific organizations in medical physics. Features: Comprehensive coverage of the use of X-rays both in medical radiology and industrial testing. The first handbook published to be dedicated to the physics and technology of X-rays. Handbook edited by world authority, with contributions from experts in each field.

ANNOUNCER

PROGRESS IN PHYSICS, VOL. 15. THE JOURNAL ON ADVANCED STUDIES IN THEORETICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS, INCLUDING RELATED THEMES FROM MATHEMATICS

Infinite Study Progress in Physics has been created for rapid publications on advanced studies in theoretical and experimental physics, including related themes from mathematics and astronomy.

BANKRUPTING PHYSICS

HOW TODAY'S TOP SCIENTISTS ARE GAMBLING AWAY THEIR CREDIBILITY

Macmillan An award-winning scientist argues that theoretical physics have become too abstract and that the scientific community needs to return to the experimental method to advance current goals, identifying flaws in recent findings while sharing accessible explanations of recent high-profile theories. 25,000 first printing.

ADVANCES IN ATOMIC, MOLECULAR, AND OPTICAL PHYSICS

Academic Press Advances in Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics, Volume 68, provides a comprehensive compilation of recent developments in a field that is in a state of rapid growth, as new experimental and theoretical techniques are used on many problems, both old and new. Topics covered include related applied areas, such as atmospheric science, astrophysics, surface physics, and laser physics, with timely articles written by distinguished experts. Updates to this new release include sections on Nonlinear x-ray physics, High intensity QED, Rydberg THz spectroscopy, Ultrafast electron diffraction, Precision Interferometry for Gravitation-wave Detection: Current Status and Future Trends, and more. Presents the work of international experts in the field. Contains comprehensive articles that compile recent developments in a field that is experiencing rapid growth, with new experimental and theoretical techniques emerging. Ideal for users interested in optics, excitons, plasmas and thermodynamics. Covers atmospheric science, astrophysics, and surface and laser physics, amongst other topics.

SPORT DEVELOPMENT

POLICY, PROCESS AND PRACTICE, THIRD EDITION

Routledge At a time of profound change in the economic, social, political and sporting landscape, sport development faces important challenges. Now in a fully revised and updated third edition, *Sport Development: Policy, Process and Practice* is still the most detailed, authoritative and comprehensive guide to all aspects of contemporary sport development. This book examines the roles of those working in and around sport development and explores the most effective methods by which professionals and volunteers can promote interest, participation or performance in sport. Combining essential theory with practical analysis, the book covers key topics, themes and issues found on the sport development curriculum, including: Sport policy. Developing 'Sport for All' Community sport development Partnerships in sport PE and school sport Sport and health Resources for developing sport Voluntary sports clubs Sport development and coaching Disability and sport development Researching and evaluating sport development The Olympic and Paralympic Games International sport and development Each chapter contains a full range of pedagogical features to aid learning and understanding, including revision questions, and case studies, while a new companion website provides additional teaching and learning resources, including useful weblinks for students and PowerPoint slides and a test bank for lecturers. *Sport Development: Policy, Process and Practice* is an invaluable resource for all students, researchers and professionals working in sport development.

REALITY, SPIRITUALITY AND MODERN MAN

Axial Pub This text describes in detail how to discern not only truth from falsehood but also the illusion of appearance from the actual core of inner reality. It explains how to differentiate perception from essence and enables the reader to resolve the ambiguities and classical riddles that have challenged mankind for centuries.

ONLINE SCIENCE LEARNING: BEST PRACTICES AND TECHNOLOGIES

BEST PRACTICES AND TECHNOLOGIES

IGI Global The continued growth in general studies and liberal arts and science programs online has led to a rise in the number of students whose science learning experiences are web-based. However, little is known about what is actually going on in web-based science courses at the level of the disciplines within liberal arts and sciences or the corresponding course design features. *Online Science Learning: Best Practices and Technologies* reviews trends and efforts in web-based science instruction and evaluates contemporary philosophies and pedagogies of online science instruction. This title on an emergent and vital area of education clearly demonstrates how to enrich the academic character and quality of web-based science instruction.

THE CONDITION OF EDUCATION

TEACHING TOWARDS DEMOCRACY WITH POSTMODERN AND POPULAR CULTURE TEXTS

Springer This edited volume supports implementation of a critical literacy of popular culture for new times. It explores popular and media texts that are meaningful to youth and their lives. It questions how these texts position youth as literate social practitioners. Based on theories of Critical and New Literacies that encourage questioning of social norms, the chapters challenge an audience of teachers, teacher educators, and literacy focused scholars in higher education to creatively integrate popular and media texts into their curriculum. Focal texts include science fiction, dystopian and other youth central novels, picture books that disrupt traditional narratives, graphic novels, video-games, other arts-based texts (film/novel hybrids) and even the lives of youth readers themselves as texts that offer rich possibilities for transformative literacy. Syllabi and concrete examples of classroom practices have been included by each chapter author.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE WITH EARTH SCIENCE

2012 EDITION

MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY WEEKLY REPORT

MMWR. RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

FROM QUANTUM TO COSMOS

MANAGING WITHOUT GROWTH, SECOND EDITION

SLOWER BY DESIGN, NOT DISASTER

Edward Elgar Publishing Ten years after the publication of the first edition of this influential book, the evidence is even stronger that human economies are overwhelming the regenerative capacity of the planet. This book explains why long-term economic growth is infeasible, and why, especially in advanced economies, it is also undesirable. Simulations based on real data show that managing without growth is a better alternative

MEDICAL SCHOOL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (MSAR) 2006-2007

THE MOST AUTHORITATIVE GUIDE TO ALL U.S. AND CANADIAN MEDICAL SCHOOLS

Assn of Amer Medical Colleges

HANDBOOK OF HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY AND BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

Guilford Press What psychological and environmental forces have an impact on health? How does behavior contribute to wellness or illness? This comprehensive volume answers these questions and others with a state-of-the-art overview of theory, research, and practice at the interface of psychology and health. Leading experts from multiple disciplines explore how health and health behaviors are shaped by a wide range of psychological processes and social-environmental factors. The book describes exemplary applications in the prevention and clinical management of today's most pressing health risks and diseases, including coronary heart disease, depression, diabetes, cancer, chronic pain, obesity, sleep disturbances, and smoking. Featuring succinct, accessible chapters on critical concepts and contemporary issues, the Handbook integrates psychological perspectives with cutting-edge work in preventive medicine, epidemiology, public health, genetics, nursing, and the social sciences.

HANDBOOK OF RESEARCH ON SCIENCE EDUCATION

Routledge Building on the foundation set in Volume I—a landmark synthesis of research in the field—Volume II is a comprehensive, state-of-the-art new volume highlighting new and emerging research perspectives. The contributors, all experts in their research areas, represent the international and gender diversity in the science education research community. The volume is organized around six themes: theory and methods of science education research; science learning; culture, gender, and society and science learning; science teaching; curriculum and assessment in science; science teacher education. Each chapter presents an integrative review of the research on the topic it addresses—pulling together the existing research, working to understand the historical trends and patterns in that body of scholarship, describing how the issue is conceptualized within the literature, how methods and theories have shaped the outcomes of the research, and where the strengths, weaknesses, and gaps are in the literature. Providing guidance to science education faculty and graduate students and leading to new insights and directions for future research, the Handbook of Research on Science Education, Volume II is an essential resource for the entire science education community.

LECTURES ON COMPUTATION

Perseus Books Covering the theory of computation, information and communications, the physical aspects of computation, and the physical limits of computers, this text is based on the notes taken by one of its editors, Tony Hey, on a lecture course on computation given b

DESIGN MAKE PLAY FOR EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND AGENCY

THE EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF CREATIVE STEM LEARNING

Routledge This pioneering book offers a resource for educators, policymakers, researchers, exhibit designers, and program developers that illuminates creative, cutting-edge ways to inspire, engage, and motivate young people about STEM learning in both informal and formal education settings. A follow-up to the popular book *Design, Make, Play* (2013), this volume combines new research, innovative case studies, and practical advice from the New York Hall of Science (NYSCI) to define and illustrate a vision for creative and immersive learning, focusing on STEM learning experiences that are truly equitable and inclusive, and that foster learners' agency. Featuring contributions from program developers, facilitators, educators, exhibit designers, and researchers, the book provides real-world examples from informal and formal settings that fill the need for high-quality STEM learning opportunities that are accessible to all learners, including groups underrepresented in STEM education and careers. Chapters of the book describe strategies such as using narratives to make engineering learning more inclusive, engaging English language learners in digital design, focusing on whole-family learning, and introducing underserved students to computational thinking through an immersive computer game. This book offers both a challenge and a guide to all STEM educators in museums, science centers, and other informal and formal education settings who are seeking out ambitious and more equitable forms of engagement. With leading-edge research and practical advice, the book provides appealing and accessible forms of engagement that will support a diverse range of audiences and deepen their approach to creative STEM learning.

INSTITUTIONS AND INCENTIVES IN REGULATORY SCIENCE

Lexington Books Institutions and Incentives in Regulatory Science explores fundamental problems with regulatory science in the environmental and natural resource law field. Each chapter covers a variety of natural resource and regulatory areas, ranging from climate change to endangered species protection and traditional health-based environmental regulation. Regulatory laws and institutions themselves strongly influence the direction of scientific research by creating a system of rewards and penalties for science. As a consequence, regulatory laws or institutions that are designed naively end up incentivizing scientists to generate and then publish only those results that further the substantive regulatory goals preferred by the scientists. By relying so heavily on science to dictate policy, regulatory laws and institutions encourage scientists to use their assessment of the state of the science to further their own preferred scientific and regulatory policy agendas. Additionally, many environmental and natural resource regulatory agencies have been instructed by legislatures to rely heavily upon science in their rulemaking. In areas of rapidly evolving science, regulatory agencies are inevitably looking for scientific consensus prematurely, before the scientific process has worked through competing hypotheses and evidence. The contributors in this volume address how institutions for regulatory science should be designed in light of the inevitable misfit between the political or legal demand for regulatory action and the actual state of evolving scientific knowledge.

OPPORTUNITIES IN INTENSE ULTRAFAST LASERS

REACHING FOR THE BRIGHTEST LIGHT

National Academies Press The laser has revolutionized many areas of science and society, providing bright and versatile light sources that transform the ways we investigate science and enables trillions of dollars of commerce. Now a second laser revolution is underway with pulsed petawatt-class lasers (1 petawatt: 1 million billion watts) that deliver nearly 100 times the total world's power concentrated into a pulse that lasts less than one-trillionth of a second. Such light sources create unique, extreme laboratory conditions that can accelerate and collide intense beams of elementary particles, drive nuclear reactions, heat matter to conditions found in stars, or even create matter out of the empty vacuum. These powerful lasers came largely from U.S. engineering, and the science and technology opportunities they enable were discussed in several previous National Academies' reports. Based on these advances, the principal research funding agencies in Europe and Asia began in the last decade to invest heavily in new facilities that will employ these high-intensity lasers for fundamental and applied science. No similar programs exist in the United States. Opportunities in Intense Ultrafast Lasers assesses the opportunities and recommends a path forward for possible U.S. investments in this area of science.

ENERGY

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EDUCATING THE STUDENT BODY

TAKING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION TO SCHOOL

National Academies Press Physical inactivity is a key determinant of health across the lifespan. A lack of activity increases the risk of heart disease, colon and breast cancer, diabetes mellitus, hypertension, osteoporosis, anxiety and depression and others diseases. Emerging literature has suggested that in terms of mortality, the global population health burden of physical inactivity approaches that of cigarette smoking. The prevalence and substantial disease risk associated with physical inactivity has been described as a pandemic. The prevalence, health impact, and evidence of changeability all have resulted in calls for action to increase physical activity across the lifespan. In response to the need to find ways to make physical activity a health priority for youth, the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Physical Activity and Physical Education in the School Environment was formed. Its purpose was to review the current status of physical activity and physical education in the school environment, including before, during, and after school, and examine the influences of physical activity and physical education on the short and long term physical, cognitive and brain, and psychosocial health and development of children and adolescents. Educating the Student Body makes recommendations about approaches for strengthening and improving programs and policies for physical activity and physical education in the school environment. This report lays out a set of guiding principles to guide its work on these tasks. These included: recognizing the benefits of instilling life-long physical activity habits in children; the value of using systems thinking in improving physical activity and physical education in the school environment; the recognition of current disparities in opportunities and the need to achieve equity in physical activity and physical education; the importance of considering all types of school environments; the need to take into consideration the diversity of students as recommendations are developed. This report will be of interest to local and national policymakers, school officials, teachers, and the education community, researchers, professional organizations, and parents interested in physical activity, physical education, and health for school-aged children and adolescents.