

# Finnish Lessons 2.0

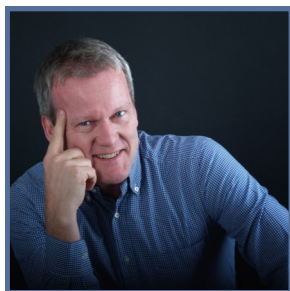
What can the World Learn from Educational Change in Finland?

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"Finland's approach to education reform shows we must address student inequality before we can expect student excellence."  
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**Panel discussion with Boston College Professor Andy Hargreaves, Vermont Secretary of Education and GSE doctoral student Rebecca Holcombe, Ed.M.'90, and Ed.M. IEP candidate Hibatalla Ibrahim**

This book details the complexity of educational change by illustrating Finland's educational performance in light of the most recent international data and evidence. It shows how systematic focus on teacher and leader professionalism, enhancing trust in teachers, delegating decision-making on teaching and learning to schools, and investing in equity rather than competition and choice, standardization, test-based accountability and other market-based reform ideas have made Finnish schools successful.

"In the revised edition of his award-winning book, Pasi Sahlberg builds on his vast knowledge of education around the globe. Whether or not you have read *Finnish Lessons*, you should read and ponder this new edition right away."

*Howard Gardner, John H. and Elisabeth A. Hobbs Professor of Cognition and Education*

"The story of Finland's extraordinary educational reforms is one that should inform policymakers and educators around the world. Teacher professionalism, intelligent accountability, and a systematic focus on equity are among the aspects of Finland's education system that have inspired others. This updated edition presents these lessons in a vivid and inspiring style."

*Linda Darling-Hammond, Charles E. Ducommun Professor of Education at Stanford University*