

# Children The Bedrock of the Granite State

## Suggested Homework Assignment

### Three Core Concepts in Early Childhood Development

A three-part series of short videos from the Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University depicting how advances in neuroscience, molecular biology, and genomics now give us a much better understanding of how early experiences are built into our bodies and brains, for better or for worse. [THREE 2-MINUTE VIDEOS]

[http://developingchild.harvard.edu/resources/multimedia/videos/three\\_core\\_concepts/](http://developingchild.harvard.edu/resources/multimedia/videos/three_core_concepts/)



### This American Life radio program, "Back to School" Sep 14, 2012

"As kids and teachers head back to school, we wanted to turn away from questions about politics and unions and money and all the regular school stuff people argue about and turn to something more optimistic — an emerging theory about what to teach kids, from Paul Tough's new book, *How Children Succeed*."

<http://www.thisamericanlife.org/radio-archives/episode/474/back-to-school> [ONE HOUR RADIO PROGRAM]

## Extra Credit

### Starting Smart & Finishing Strong: Fixing the Cracks in America's Workforce Pipeline through Investments in Early Childhood Development

A brief by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for a Competitive Workforce explains that, to compete and win in this economy, we need a well-educated, team-capable and job-ready workforce. [SHORT BRIEF]

<http://sparknh.com/uploads/files/Starting%20Smart%20%26%20Finishing%20Strong.pdf>