

unintended consequences

In too many schools, budget cuts, time crunches, and increased emphasis on test scores have led to a decreased appreciation for the value of arts, athletics, and activities programs. Student activities and their crucial role in keeping students in school are the missing variable in many of today's educational reform equations.

The unintended consequences can be severe.



82%

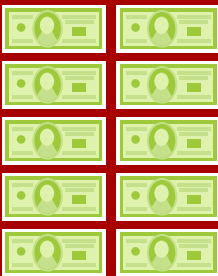
of this country's prisoners are high school dropouts

source:
National Dropout Prevention Center

\$300 BILLION

estimated savings to the U.S. if the number of students who drop out **in just one year** were converted into graduates

Average cost of incarcerating one high school dropout, per year



\$31,000

source:
Vera Institute of Justice

Average state and federal funding that comes from keeping one at-risk student in school, per year



\$12,000

source:
National Center for Education Statistics (FY 2011 data)



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