

SRCD in the Media July 2015

All links below are to news articles except when noted as:  TV or Radio Interview or  Op-Ed Piece

In a recent [New York Times](#) article entitled “When Guarding Student Data Endangers Valuable Research” the work of many SRCD members is referenced. This article discusses data gathering specific to educational assessment and how researchers rely on these data to measure the effectiveness of educational interventions. It provides specific examples of how researchers, and research partnerships with local agencies, have used data for the benefit of students.

An [Economic Policy Institute report](#) on social disadvantages and student academic performance was featured in a recent [Washington Post](#) article. The report focuses on five factors that hinder achievement among poor children: parenting practices that impede children’s intellectual and behavioral development, single parenthood, parents’ irregular work schedules, inadequate access to primary and preventive health care, and exposure to and absorption of lead in the blood. The report cites the work of many SRCD members including **Jeanne Brooks Gunn, Rachel Chazan-Cohen, Helen Raikes, Sophie Aiyer, Greg Duncan, and Katherine Magnuson.**

[Education Week](#) featured research completed by **Terri Friedline and Stacia West** on how financial education and exposure to real-life financial situations was associated with millennials’ financial health. The results of the research showed, for example, that young people who don’t have access to financial education or hands-on experiences are 176 percent less likely than their peers to have money available for emergency situations.

A study by **Daphne Hernandez and Emily Pressler** was the topic of this [Boston Globe](#) article. It discusses how family disruption and conflict and financial strain are linked to childhood obesity. The researchers analyzed longitudinal survey data on nearly 4,800 adolescents.

Research featured in an SRCD [press release](#) and published in *Child Development* focuses on the linkages between stronger working memory and reduced sexual risk taking in adolescents. **Atika Khurana, Daniel Romer, Laura M. Betancourt, Nancy L. Brodsky, Joan M. Giannetta, and Hallam Hurt** found that adolescents with weaker working memory reported larger increases in impulsive tendencies over time, which in turn was associated with greater likelihood of early and unprotected sexual activity. [NPR](#), [Business Standard](#), the [Daily Times Gazette](#), and the [National Monitor](#) are examples of news outlets that covered this research.

[Bustle](#) released an article in celebration of Father’s Day highlighting research that gives us better insight into fatherhood and its importance. Their list of 15 things to know about being a father according to science featured research by **Erin Pougnet; Kathryn Kerns; Nairán Ramírez-Esparza, Adrián García-Sierra, and Patricia K. Kuhl; Jill E. Yavorsky, Claire M. Kamp Dush, and Sarah J. Schoppe-Sullivan.**

Research published in *Child Development* and featured in an SRCD [press release](#) found that early life stress was associated with cognitive functioning in low-income children. The study by **Jennifer H. Suor, Melissa L. Sturge-Apple, Patrick T. Davies, Dante Cicchetti, and Liviah G. Manning** identified how specific patterns of cortisol activity may relate to the cognitive abilities of children in poverty. The research was featured by [Reuters](#) and other news outlets.

We strongly encourage and welcome all members to report recent noteworthy mentions of their research in the media. Information may be emailed to communications@srcd.org.