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Last week, we shared [Indy K12's Top Ten most viewed pieces of 2019](#). As this decade comes to a close, it is time to take a look back at our top ten pieces of this decade. Indy K12 writers are fearless. They tell the truth unashamed and shine a light on educational issues that some publications avoid. Check out the pieces that made an impact during this decade.

10. Parents, Wake Up!!! Stop Wearing Your Child's School Success as a Badge of Honor When Your Child is Failing

David McGuire gave parents a reality check. He challenged them to worry more about how their children are doing academically instead of the school's rating.

9. Being Culturally Responsive Starts with Pronouncing Names Correctly

Educator Barnes shared personal stories to emphasize the importance of educators pronouncing students' names correctly.

8. Can Schools Exclude Students from Field Trips?

Andrew Pillow explained if schools really have the right to exclude children from school field trips.

7. Betsy DeVos Moves to Neutralize Office for Civil Rights...by Appointing Candice Jackson to Lead It

Andrew Pillow highlighted how Betsy DeVos's appointment of Candice Jackson as deputy assistant secretary for the office of civil rights was problematic.

6. Indianapolis School Crowns First Transgender Prom King

Andrew Pillow shared the story of Alan Belmont, a North Central student, who became Indianapolis' first transgender prom king.

5. Aspiring Indiana Teachers Cannot Pass Licensure Exams

Educator Barnes explained the impact of the teachers not passing licensure exams.

4. The Food Pyramid is Wrong, and We Need to Stop Teaching It in School

Andrew Pillow pointed out how the food pyramid is a marketing tool that should not be used in schools.

3. Why This Teacher Leader is Leaving IPS

Educator Barnes detailed her journey in Indianapolis Public Schools and why she had to walk away.

2. Dear Senator Franken, this isn't #SNL. It's My Life.

Cheryl Kirk called Senator Franken to the carpet for his misrepresentation of school choice in Indiana during Betsy DeVos' confirmation hearing and pointed out his hypocrisy.

1. Teachers Quit Principals, Not Schools

Educator Barnes reminded principals to consider their actions when it comes to teacher turnover in their buildings.

To our readers, thank for the support! What topics would you like us to cover in 2020? Sound off!