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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Ravi Hutheesing**, Founder of Ravi Unites Schools, a school network that enables teachers to have groups of students participate in online real-time audio-video interactions with peers around the world, author of "*Pivot: Empowering Students Today to Succeed in an Unpredictable Tomorrow*"

Mr. Hutheesing outlined the ways that the COVID-19 lockdowns exposed the strengths and weaknesses of America's education system. He explained how cultural connections with other students around the world can be a great tool to help a student reach his learning potential. He also discussed the best ways to address the high dropout rate among minority students.

Issues covered:
Education
Technology
Minority Concerns

2. Francisco Lopez-Jimenez, MD, Preventive Cardiologist at the Mayo Clinic

People with coronary artery disease are often prescribed a statin, the cholesterol-lowering drug that reduces the risk of a heart attack or stroke. Dr. Francisco Lopez-Jimenez, discussed whether are statins used enough, who should be taking them, and why some patients refuse to take them.

<u>Issues covered:</u> Personal Health

3. **Holly Wade**, Executive Director of the National Federation of Independent Business Research Center

Data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics shows that over 100 million Americans are out of the labor force and a record 94 million are not looking for a job. Ms. Wade said that 91% of small businesses said they had few or no qualified applicants for job openings in the past three months. She discussed the reasons behind this trend and what it will take for it to reverse.

Issues covered:
Employment
Economy
Government

