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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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Total running time: 29:30 (with optional exit at 24:00)

1. **Bacall Hincks**, Family Advocate and Program Coordinator at Children's Service Society of Utah

More than one million American children now live with grandparents, primarily because of their parent's addiction to opioids and other drugs. Ms. Hincks said this growing trend is causing grandparents to put off retirement and plow through savings to rescue their grandchildren from dangerous situations. She discussed how these difficult experiences can negatively affect children's mental and physical health.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:17

**Parenting
Substance Abuse
Foster Care
Retirement**

2. **Maryanne Wolf, PhD**, Professor of Child Development and Director of the Center for Reading and Language Research at Tufts University, author of "*Reader, Come Home: The Reading Brain in a Digital World*"

Prof. Wolf discussed the latest research into the human brain as we become increasingly dependent on digital technologies, rather than the printed word. She expressed concerns for both children's and adults' ability to "deep read," as the brain is literally rewired by huge amounts of short bursts of information. She offered suggestions for how the nation's education system needs to adapt.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:04

**Literacy
Education
Technology**

3. **David Michael Slater**, teacher, author of "*We're Doing It Wrong: 25 Ideas in Education That Just Don't Work—And How to Fix Them*"

Mr. Slater explained why he believes that many current approaches in education simply aren't working—for students, for teachers, and for society at-large. He explained how teacher evaluations could be improved and why anti-bullying programs in schools don't work.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:50

Education

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