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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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

1. **Michael Itzkowitz**, Senior Fellow at Third Way, a think tank in Washington, DC

More than 80% of freshmen students say they pursued higher education "to be able to get a better job." Mr. Itzkowitz led a study that found that half of the country's schools in 2018 left the majority of their former students earning less than \$28,000 a year, which is what the typical high school graduate makes. He said that all kinds of colleges led to underwhelming salaries, but for-profit schools typically performed the worst. He offered advice for parents and students.

Issues covered:
Higher Education
Federal Spending

Length: 9:15

2. **Brent Sohngen, PhD**, Professor of Environmental and Resource Economics in the Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics at Ohio State University

Prof. Sohngen led a study that found that while cutting down trees inevitably leads to more carbon in the environment, deforestation's contributions to climate change are vastly overestimated. He said previous estimates overestimated the impact because they did not account for the replanting and management of global forests over the last 70 years.

Issues covered:
Climate Change
Environment
Natural Resources

Length: 7:57

3. **Morag MacKay**, Director of Research, Safe Kids Worldwide

Ms. MacKay said that an American child is killed every five days in a train collision, a preventable tragedy that most parents overlook. She outlined the most common scenarios for these incidents and explained how parents can teach their children to avoid dangerous situations with trains.

Issues covered:
Railroad Safety
Child Safety
Parenting

Length: 5:06_