

Michelle Rhee

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We've lost our competitive spirit. We've become so obsessed with making kids feel good about themselves that we've lost sight of building the skills they need to actually be good at things.

~Michelle Rhee

That should be the goal, is that every kid in every neighborhood, despite whatever challenges they may face, are getting a great education in our public schools.

~Michelle Rhee

I think that one thing that people are missing is that we are never going to be able to fix this country's [American] economy in the long run until we fix our public education system.

~Michelle Rhee

Creativity is good and whatever. But if the children don't know how to read, I don't care how creative you are. You're not doing your job.

~Michelle Rhee

We are always going to put the best interests of kids above the rights, privileges and priorities of adults.

~Michelle Rhee

If you grew up in a lower-income community, or less well-off, the belief is that the way to change that circumstance is through education.

~Michelle Rhee

An education reformer is as important in America as the first lady.

~Michelle Rhee

We all have to have more rigorous expectations of our kids in America.

~Michelle Rhee

I'd rather deal with anger than apathy.

~Michelle Rhee

Poverty is so significant that we can't expect to overcome the impacts of poverty in schools.

~Michelle Rhee

You may not do well, necessarily, up front, and in order to be the best, you've got to work hard.

~Michelle Rhee

I think people don't talk enough about education and what we need to do in our public education system.

~Michelle Rhee

In schools where parent involvement is greater, you do have higher achievement levels and better functioning, better performing schools.

~Michelle Rhee

If a country puts its entire focus on making sure that the education system improves, then that's the kind of progress that you can see.

~Michelle Rhee

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