

Author of Mastering Essential Math Skills tells your audience:

- Why math skills are so important to us as a nation
- What is wrong with our schools when it comes to math education
- What the “math crisis” means to our kids’ and our nation’s future
- What “proper” math education means to the individual student
- What will happen we don’t “fix” our math education system
- How we can catch up with other nations in math education
- What the differences are between U.S. kids and top-performing kids from other countries
- Whose responsibility it is to make sure our kids are getting the math education they need
- How parents can help their kids, even if they aren’t good at math themselves

... and much more

Statistics and Facts

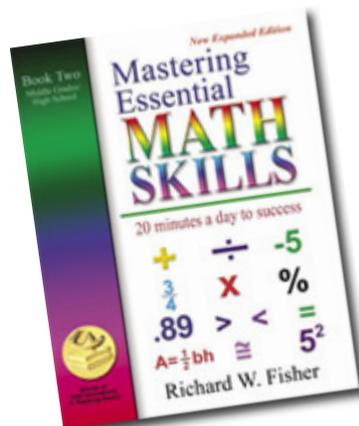
In a recent international assessment of mathematics performance conducted in forty countries across the world, the U. S. ranked a lowly twenty-eight. When the level of spending in education was taken into account, the U.S. sank to the bottom of the forty countries.

Only 3 out of 10 of our students are at or above proficient level in math in grade 8. Only 2 out of 10 at that level by Grade 12

Nonresident aliens receive approximately 44% of all master’s degrees and 35% of all bachelor’s degrees in engineering, mathematics, and information science in the United States.

By 2016, nearly 80% of all U.S. jobs will require more than a high school diploma, but over 70million Americans haven’t gone past grade 12. We are the only industrialized nation where the generation entering the workforce is less educated than the one leaving.

The growth of math-intensive science and engineering jobs is



outpacing overall job growth by 3 to 1.

“We must increase access to algebra and other rigorous coursework if we hope to close the achievement gap between poor and minority students and their peers.” Former Secretary of Education Spelling

Nearly half of our 17-year-olds lack the math skills needed to work on the production line of a modern industrial plant when they finish high school.



Rick Fisher was a sixth grade math teacher for over 31 years. Each year approximately one-half of his students would bypass the seventh grade math program and move directly to a high-powered eighth grade algebra program, and dominate. The author of eight books, Rick has developed a system of teaching that produces amazing results.

“Mastering Essential Math Skills” is available at www.mathessentials.com

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