

Higher education

The only change that would qualify as radical in a society that claims to be meritocratic is one that would boost life chances for the rest.

That would mean starting at the beginning of a child's life with better childcare, good pre-school education, and so on.

It would entail dramatically increasing the pipeline of students who might have the chance to win the educational lottery.

Until that changes

— and unless it becomes America's focus — the current debate is a big red herring.

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