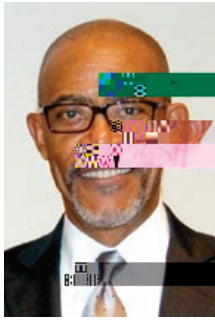


When failure is normalized



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I recently read an opinion piece about the dramatic nationwide drop in scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The article suggests that “in a year where millions of families were upended by job loss, hospitalization and death due to a global pandemic,” we should view the “small dip” in scores as “pretty good news.” I am writing to offer an alternate

