The hidden curriculum are experiences in life that are picked up naturally or unintended during everyday interactions with family, friends, complete strangers or even things learned on the internet. These lessons are learned outside of the standard education curriculum, but many times are taught inadvertently. Things such as respect, manners, and even bad habits such as racism, drug and alcohol abuse, or sexism.

One social issue in education I feel needs addressing is anti-social behaviors in today’s youth. “Go outside and play” seems to have disappeared from modern day vocabulary. “Children aged five to 16 spend an average of six and a half hours a day in front of a screen compared with around three hours in 1995, according to market research firm Childwise”. ("Children on screens six hours a day", 2019)The advancement of the internet, video gaming systems, and satellite television have absorbed the bulk of the time today’s youth have. Many parents see these various outlets as a way to occupy their kids so that they may also partake in their own activities.

The National Football League developed a program called Play 60, to encourage kids to step away from in front of the TV and go outside and play. The NFL along with many of its partners have developed interactive activities that not only encourage but reward kids for spending 60 minutes a day playing and not sitting in front of a tv all day. ("NFL.com/Play60", 2019)

# Many times, students facing educational inequality struggle to be successful, find suitable jobs that will lift them financially out of poor neighborhoods. They lose hope and end up being lifetime dependent of government assistance. A small minority of that group actually strive to make something of themselves. Very few have been provided the education or the knowledge on how to take advantage of programs such as Affirmative action, the Native American Programs Act, and other acts put in place to assist in addressing these inequalities. ("Native American Programs Act", 2019)

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