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Another Black Eye for U.S. Education

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Eakinomics: Another Black Eye for U.S. Education

Yesterday saw the release of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) long-term trend [assessment](#). It is important to note that these data were collected prior to the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic. Even more important, the data are not good news. Specifically: “The reading and mathematics scores of 13-year-old students fell between 2012 and 2020—the first time in the almost 50-year history” of the NAEP.

The NAEP displays a lot of comparisons to the 1970s when it was first launched. Interesting history. But the most pressing issues are the trends since 2012. The key results are: