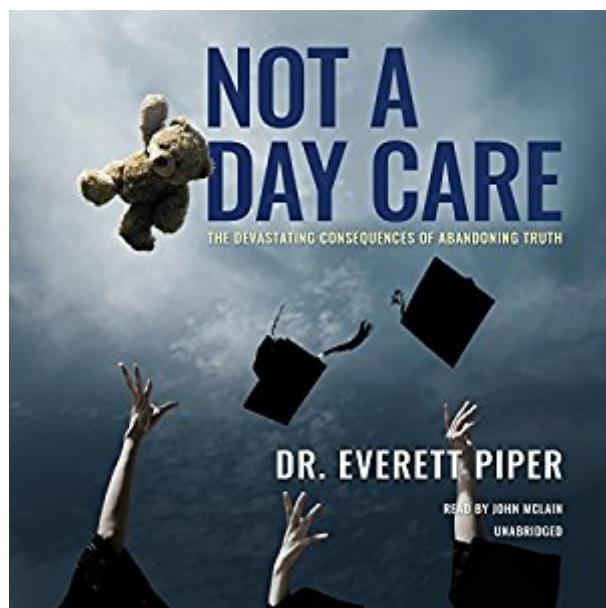


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Not A Day Care: The Devastating Consequences Of Abandoning Truth



Synopsis

What has happened to the American spirit? We've gone from "Give me liberty, or give me death!" to "Take care of me, please." Our colleges were once bastions of free speech; now they're bastions of speech codes. Our culture once rewarded independence; now it rewards victimhood. Parents once taught their kids how to fend for themselves; now, any parent who tries may get a visit from the police. In *Not a Day Care*, Dr. Everett Piper, president of Oklahoma Wesleyan University and author of the viral essay, "This Is Not a Day Care. It's a University!" takes a hard look at what's happening around the country - including the demand for "safe spaces" and trigger warnings at universities like Yale, Brandeis, and Oberlin - and digs in his heels against the sad and dangerous infantilization of the American spirit.

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“Our universities are doing a tremendous disservice, both to students and our culture, by letting students think they can bend reality to fit their whims. In the real world, people don’t get paid to be selfish and disruptive, but, rather, to be productive members of society. They are rewarded for cooperation and teamwork, not for dividing people because they have negative feelings about another race or feel offended by those from a different socioeconomic background. Our universities are producing a generation of Americans who are unable to function in the real world. We are quickly becoming a culture of Peter Pans, believing we can avoid reality in a

Neverland of our own making. We are encouraging students to embrace their selfish fantasies and to expect everyone around them to bend and submit to their narcissistic whims and personal prejudices. We have created a generation that expects to receive affirmation for every feeling they have and every emotion they feel. Objective reality doesn't matter. Subjective opinions are king. ^{pp 15-16} These days it seems like every time I open a newspaper, go online or watch cable news I hear about yet another egregious abridgement of free speech on a college campus. Equally disturbing are the stories about how today's undergraduates are being coddled by the faculty and administration of these institutions. We now have "safe spaces" for the politically correct crowd only and "stress-free" zones that allow students to escape the rigors of studying for exams. Furthermore, we now have highly organized efforts by the Left to stifle anyone they do not agree with from speaking at colleges and universities all across the fruited plain. Dr. Everett Piper is the President of Oklahoma Wesleyan University. He has been dealing with these and many other problems and believes that the time has come to put an end to the madness once and for all. He and co-author Bill Blankschaen discuss these very troubling issues in their compelling new book "Not A Day Care: The Devastating Consequences of Abandoning Truth." It's one thing to read about all of this foolishness in dribs and drabs over an extended period of time. It is quite another matter to read an entire book devoted to this nonsense in just a couple of sittings. It makes me want to tear my hair out! Now I must confess that prior to reading "Not A Day Care" I had never heard the term "trigger warning". It is so difficult to keep up. So now on all too many college campuses whenever any potentially "offensive" topic is about to be discussed it is deemed necessary for the instructor or moderator to give advance notice so those who might be offended can excuse themselves. Is this college or kindergarten? Meanwhile, the authors caution parents and students that orthodox Christian universities seem to be going the way of the dodo bird. Just because a college or university purports to be Christian does not mean that the faculty and administration share your beliefs. As President of Oklahoma Wesleyan University, Dr. Piper readily admits that he has a litmus-test for new hires. Professors, instructors and administrators must be pro-life and pro-marriage. They must believe that marriage should be controlled by the Church and not by government. And finally, they must attest to the fact that the truth is given by God and not made up by flawed human beings. There is absolutely no doubt about the kind of education a student will get at his institution. You really do need to do your homework before choosing a school. Buyer beware!!

found "Not A Day Care: The Devastating Consequences of Abandoning Truth" to be a scholarly and very well-written book. Dr. Everett Piper and Bill Blankschaen present a very powerful and coherent argument in favor of a classic liberal education open to engaging all ideas and observe: "What American higher education lost when it became secularized was a necessary sense of moral boundaries" • these are the boundaries of God-given truth that confirm common sense, natural law, and intellectual sanity. • That would certainly seem to be the crux of the matter. Very highly recommended!

Not a Day Care is a must read for anyone involved in higher education, and for parents and students making decisions on where they invest their hard-earned tuition dollars. Dr. Piper provides an eye-opening assessment of the chaos that is infecting our college campuses - explaining how "snowflakes," "safe spaces," "microaggressions" and gender fluidity (????) is the norm at too many universities today. We have an obligation to educate our young adults, as these are the future leaders of our country. Coddling students does not build character, nor does avoiding the truth. I highly recommend Dr. Piper's latest contribution to the important conversation on higher ed. "Not a Day Care: The Devastating Consequences of Abandoning Truth" .

This book is a must read to understand what is really happening on our campuses. My father told me many years ago that our colleges were a haven for misdirecting and corrupting our youth. He was right then, however, it has now become a national crisis. Dr. Piper addresses the situation and is a voice for freedom of speech. He is the kind of leader we need in these tumultuous times.

A must read! If you want to know why our country is changing before your eyes, read this book. Very easy to read. Well written. Filled with common sense teachings.

I read this book with astonishment and incredulity. How we came to this insanity that pervades universities and politics is laid out succinctly . Dr Piper also gives the answers to turn this idiocy around. This book needs to be read by parents, educators and clergymen.

It was a thrill to open the mail today and see that my pre-ordered copy of "Not a Day Care" arrived. Immediately, I sat down to dig into the book. It exceeded my already very high expectations. For full disclosure, I am an avid Dr. Everett Piper fan, a member of the Board of Trustees at the school

where he is President (Oklahoma Wesleyan University) and a fellow author for Regnery Books (the publisher). So, it may appear that I am biased. The reality, however, is that it is Dr. Piper's leadership and clear-headed insight that have enlightened me to the truth of higher education. Thus, I was bound to read the book and even provided a cover note. I had been privy to the content and direction in advance. None of that detracts from the absolute fact that this book clearly explains the very serious systemic problems and solutions for academia. We are all connected to higher education. Many have been blessed to attend college. Others have saved to send loved ones there. Our Federal government now holds more investment in student loans than any other asset. Our society has made an enormous investment and yet the system is flashing warning lights and blowing loud sirens. Dr. Piper opens our eyes and ears to these warnings so we no longer can ignore them. It is popular on college campuses to discuss "trigger warnings" and "micro aggressions." Dr. Piper explains this nonsense and the tremendous damage it is doing. Those who receive a genuine education will devastate these snowflakes in the real world. And, while our young people are coddled in safe spaces, there are students in China, North Korea, Iran, Russia and elsewhere being taught how to take down a power grid through hacking, launch an EMP or build and deploy an ICBM. Safe spaces will not protect against a North Korean missile (which we hope will never happen). But, technological advances from scientific discovery, negotiation skills developed by addressing multiple viewpoints, and even entrepreneurship that spreads the American way of life can all mitigate such an attack. Teaching these things used to be our strength. They required a studious pursuit of truth. For the sake of our future we must arrest the nonsense and return to reason. Everyone who has attended, is attending, or hopes to attend college should read this book. My family certainly will. And, anyone who cares about the future of America, knowing that we will trust it to younger generations, must read this book.

This book is a voice of reason in an increasingly unreasoning age.

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