[A.D.H.D. Seen in 11% of U.S. Children as Diagnoses Rise](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/01/health/more-diagnoses-of-hyperactivity-causing-concern.html?smid=tw-share&_r=0)  
Nearly one in five high school age boys in the United States and 11 percent of school-age children over all have received a medical diagnosis of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, according to new data from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.  
New York Times  
March 31, 2013

[New Web Site Strengthens Black Male Achievement Field](http://foundationcenter.org/media/news/20130328.html)  
Foundation Center and Open Society Foundations Launch BMAfunders.org  
The Foundation Center and the Open Society Foundations have launched the web portal [BMAfunders.org](http://www.bmafunders.org/) to facilitate engagement, collaboration, and strategic decision making among funders, nonprofits, and policymakers working to promote positive outcomes for black men and boys in America. The site is supported by the Campaign for Black Male Achievement, in which the Open Society Foundations has invested $50 million over the past five years.  
Foundation Center, March 28, 2013

[Asian Students Better at Math and Science; Girls Equal to Boys in STEM Career Potential](http://www.medicaldaily.com/articles/14460/20130329/asians-better-math-science-female-students-stem.htm#SKrqwGq2sE9ki5rb.99)  
A new study finds that male and female students consistently earn similar grades in high school math and science courses, while Asians are better at math and science than all other ethnic groups- results that debunk [gender stereotypes](http://healthland.time.com/2013/03/25/how-cultural-stereotypes-lure-women-away-from-careers-in-science/) but reinforce [racial ones](http://rendezvous.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/12/13/so-asian-kids-are-good-at-math-what-does-that-mean/) about academic achievement and [success in STEM careers](http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2011/10/11/the-new-american-dilemma-stem-and-minorities).  
Medical Daily  
March 29, 2013

[The Lost Boys of Sudan 12 Years Later](http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-18560_162-57576886/the-lost-boys-of-sudan-12-years-later/?tag=socsh)  
The Lost Boys became part of the largest U.S. resettlement program ever undertaken by the State Department. Three thousand were settled across America in 2001, most becoming citizens. Abraham Yel Nhial was a preacher in the Kenyan refugee camp when Simon first interviewed him. He was resettled in Atlanta, where he eventually earned a degree in Biblical studies from Atlanta Christian College. "It's been a long journey, but God blessed me," he says. What came next could be called miraculous by someone who was once a preacher with little formal training in a refugee camp.  
CBS  
March 28, 2013

[Bigorexics' Want to Boost Their Masculinity](http://www.webmd.com/fitness-exercise/news/20130328/bigorexics-want-to-boost-their-masculinity)Guys consumed by the idea that they are not muscular enough have a disorder called muscle dysmorphia, popularly known as "bigorexia." It had been believed that sexuality was one of the main factors behind muscle dysmorphia in men, but this study suggests that how men view themselves is more important, according to the Australian researchers.   
HealthFinder.gov  
March 28, 2013

[Should Short Boys Take Growth Hormone?](http://children.webmd.com/news/20130327/should-short-boys-take-growth-hormone)  
Short children and adults do not seem less happy than their taller peers, and there's no proof that treating idiopathic short stature improves quality of life.  
WebMD  
March 27, 2013

[Boys vs. girls: What's behind the college grad gender gap?](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/03/27/boys-vs-girls-whats-behin_n_2965409.html)Men are less willing to take on the heavy debt loads that are increasingly required to complete a college degree. When they reach the point of owing $12,500 in school loans, men "are more likely to be discouraged" than women -- and to decide it makes sense to leave school and start working full-time.  
CNN  
March 27, 2013

[Men and Boys Behaving Badly: Where Are Their Fathers?](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jim-wallis/men-and-boys-behaving-bad_b_2957865.html?utm_hp_ref=tw)  
What has been missing from this too-often repeated narrative is the condemnation of the attitudes of men or boys behaving badly from other men, especially men who are in positions of power, authority, and influence -- and especially fathers.  
Huffington Post  
March 26, 2013

[Is There Really a ‘Boy Crisis’?](http://ideas.time.com/2013/03/21/the-boy-crisis-is-it-fictional/)  
Quietly, without anywhere near the fanfare that has greeted the claim that boys have become the weaker, worse-off sex, serious researchers have been arguing for years that boys — a lot of boys, at least — are [doing just fine](http://people.uncw.edu/caropresoe/edn203/203_Fall_07/ESO_BoysAndGirls.pdf).   
Time  
March 21, 2013

[Study Finds Saliva Testing Predicts Aggression In Boys](https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013/03/130326162157.htm)A new study indicates that a simple saliva test could be an effective tool in predicting violent behavior.  The pilot study, led by Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center and published this week online in the journal *Psychiatric Quarterly,* suggests a link between salivary concentrations of certain hormones and aggression.  
Redorbit.com  
March 21, 2013

[Child Health Experts Come Out in Favor of Same-Sex Marriage](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/21/health/american-academy-of-pediatrics-backs-gay-marriage.html)  
Kids benefit from having stable home, two loving parents, regardless of sexual orientation, AAP says.  
Marriage for same-sex couples -- and the right for all parents, regardless of their sexual orientation, to adopt or provide foster care -- is the best way to guarantee benefits and security for their children, according to child health experts.  
Healthfinder.gov  
March 21, 2013

[One in 50 School-Aged Children in U.S. Has Autism: CDC](http://health.usnews.com/health-news/news/articles/2013/03/20/one-in-50-school-aged-children-in-us-has-autism-cdc)The number of children in the United States with autism spectrum disorder has jumped dramatically since 2007, federal health officials reported Wednesday. As of 2012, one in 50 kids between the ages of 6 and 17 has some form of autism, compared with one in 88 only five years earlier, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.  
HealthFinder.gov  
March 20, 2013

[Parents' Worries About HPV Vaccine on the Rise: Study](http://health.usnews.com/health-news/news/articles/2013/03/18/parents-worries-about-hpv-vaccine-on-the-rise-study)Both Darden and Cunningham said it's puzzling that parents' safety worries about the HPV vaccine would grow so much, so fast. It's not clear from the study, but Cunningham said he suspects many parents get misinformation online.  
Healthfinder.gov  
March 18, 2013

[For frustrated bad boys, violent video games become more alluring](http://www.latimes.com/health/boostershots/la-heb-frustration-violent-video-games-20130311,0,3746896.story)  
Are people playing violent video games blowing off steam, or are they developing habits of violence that may play themselves out off-screen? In the wake of a wave of school shootings that have touched off debate about the roots of violence, those are more than academic questions.  
Los Angeles Times  
March 13, 2013

[Richmond teens open up in "Male Teen Talk"](http://www.nbc12.com/story/21625864/richmond-teens-open-up-in-male-teen-talk#.UUTwUDqrKOA.twitter)  
A group of ninth and tenth grade students are getting the opportunity to learn true lessons of life at Armstrong High School. However, it is up to them to determine whether or not the lessons will eventually pay off. The lessons are part of a new program called "Male Teen Talk", where young men are encouraged to talk, and more importantly, listen.  
nbc.com  
March 13, 2013

[Sexting Habits of Teens](http://www.scientificamerican.com/podcast/episode.cfm?id=sexting-habits-of-teens-13-03-07&WT.mc_id=SA_sharetool_Twitter)  
Other studies have shown that females tend to send more sexts than males. Of the students in this study, Latina high school girls were the least likely to send sexts. Latino men were next. And black males and females were about equal with their use of sexting, with both sending more sexts than the Latinos. The authors note that black youths tend to enter puberty earlier than Latinos, and this may have some influence on their sexting trends.  
Scientific American  
March 7, 2013

[Computer Coding: It's Not Just for Boys](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/08/technology/computer-coding-its-not-just-for-boys.html?smid=tw-share&_r=0)  
Both sexes love gadgets — but while girls may enjoy owning the latest devices, parents and teachers do not point out that they also have the brains to build them, Ms. Parmar says. “They’re dreaming of using the iPad mini and the latest smartphone, but they’re not dreaming of creating it,” she said.As a consequence, Ms. Parmar said, women are missing out in an industry that is changing the world and growing and paying handsomely, as other sectors shrink.  
New York Times  
March 7, 2013

[Writing a Book for Boys](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/marie-lu/writing-a-book-for-boys_b_2806387.html?utm_hp_ref=tw)  
I have trouble answering the question because it's a variation on a much more general question: "Is this a Boy Book?" And when people ask this, I can't help but think, "What in the world is a Boy Book?" Similarly, I'm frequently asked how to create stories that can be embraced by the "elusive boy audience." It's a question that stumps me--and comes up as frequently at signings--as the Boy Book question.  
Huffington Post  
March 4, 2013

[Dumbing down Dad: How media present husbands, fathers as useless](http://www.deseretnews.com/article/865574236/Dumbing-down-Dad-How-media-present-husbands-fathers-as-useless.html)  
The Doofus Dad stereotype has always been around, with characters such as Fred Flintstone, Dagwood Bumstead and even Charlie Brown's monotone parents. But the consistency of these new portrayals in shows like "Jimmy Neutron" has slowly created a new norm opposed to what being a father used to mean.  
Deseret News  
February 27, 2013

[Closing the Achievement Gap for African-American Males: An Economic Imperative](http://philanthropynewsdigest.org/commentary-and-opinion/closing-the-achievement-gap)  
In the United States, a black public school student is suspended [every four seconds](http://www.childrensdefense.org/child-research-data-publications/moments-in-america-for-black-children.html), while every 27 seconds a black high school student drops out of school. Black students are also 3.5 times more likely than white students to be suspended or expelled. Within this group, black male students fare the worst.  
Philanthropy News Digest  
February 27, 2013

[Experts see peril as Latino boys fall behind](http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local_news/article/Experts-find-great-peril-in-fact-that-Latino-boys-4304831.php#ixzz2N65IXPSt)  
Latino elected officials from across the country met in San Antonio over the weekend for briefings on pressing educational issues.  
MySanAntonio.com  
February 24, 2013

[Study: Having Boys Can Take Months Off Your Life](http://mybrownbaby.com/2013/02/having-boys-can-take-months-off-a-mothers-life-study-claims/)Parents often quip that their kids—especially their rambunctious little boys—are ["going to be the death of me,"](http://shine.yahoo.com/parenting/7-easy-ways-teach-kids-healthy-eating-191100416.html) and new research shows that they may be right: Having [sons](http://shine.yahoo.com/parenting-guru-letter-gratitude-sons-173000615.html) can shave an average of eight and a half months off of a mom's life.

Shine  
February 27, 2013

[10 Benefits of Having Teen Boys](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/emily-cappo/benefits-of-teen-boys_b_2695662.html?utm_hp_ref=tw)   
*Huffington Post*   
February 16, 2013

[Raising Healthy Boys Means Letting Them Run A Little Wild](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/02/14/boys-and-playing-rough_n_2688399.html?utm_hp_ref=twitter&comm_ref=&comm_crv=)   
More and more though, I’ve heard that parents don’t want their kids playing that roughly. They don't want them playing with fake guns (certainly a hot-button issue over the past few years with the gun deaths in our country) and swords. They want them to avoid things like climbing, leaping, biking, skateboarding, and so forth. Violence, injury, and the prevention of them, are a big deal in current America.   
*Huffington Post*   
February 14, 2013

[We Owe to Our Sons What We've Given Our Daughters](http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/real-men-dont-write-blogs/201302/we-owe-our-sons-what-weve-given-our-daughters)   
Boys are not men; they are children, and they need our attention now.   
Psychology Today   
February 13, 2013

[To Reduce Suicide Rates, New Focus Turns to Guns](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/14/us/to-lower-suicide-rates-new-focus-turns-to-guns.html?smid=tw-share)   
The gun debate has focused on mass shootings and assault weapons since the schoolhouse [massacre in Newtown](http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/s/school_shootings/index.html?inline=nyt-classifier), Conn., but far more Americans die by turning guns on themselves. Nearly 20,000 of the 30,000 deaths from guns in the United States in 2010 were suicides, according to the most recent figures from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The national suicide rate has climbed by 12 percent since 2003, and suicide is the third-leading cause of death for teenagers.   
*New York Times*   
February 13, 2013

[Dads Weigh In On Why Boys Fall Behind](http://www.npr.org/2013/02/12/171806325/dads-weigh-in-on-why-boys-fall-behind?sc=tw&cc=share)   
NPR   
February 12, 2013

[Negative stereotypes about boys hinder their academic achievement](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2013-02/sfri-nsa020513.php)   
Negative stereotypes about boys may hinder their achievement, while assuring them that girls and boys are equally academic may help them achieve. From a very young age, children think boys are academically inferior to girls, and they believe adults think so, too. Even at these very young ages, boys' performance on an academic task is affected by messages that suggest that girls will do better than they will.   
Society for Research in Child Development   
February 12, 2013

[Ways to Help Underachieving Boys Succeed in School](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/11/opinion/ways-to-help-underachieving-boys-succeed-in-school.html?smid=tw-share)   
The way to deal with boys’ underachievement in school is not through “boy friendly” policies like more recess, single-sex classrooms and male teachers but through strong academic climates and clear, consistent information about occupations and the educational pathways that lead to them.

*New York Times*   
February 10, 2013

[Do Teachers Really Discriminate Against Boys?](http://ideas.time.com/2013/02/06/do-teachers-really-discriminate-against-boys/)  
Worries about the declining academic performance of boys, a topic of increasing alarm this past decade, have [intensified recently](http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/02/02/the-boys-at-the-back/). It seems that boys are being judged both unduly harshly and leniently at school. A [new study](http://www.terry.uga.edu/~cornwl/research/cmvp.genderdiffs.pdf) on gender disparities in elementary-school performance — the first study to examine both objective and subjective performance — found that boys were given lower grades than girls, even in cases (such as math and science) where their test scores were either equal to or higher than the girls’ test scores.  
*Time*  
February 6, 2013

[Boys and girls don’t learn the same way, author insists](http://www.toledoblade.com/local/2013/02/08/Boys-and-girls-don-t-learn-the-same-way-author-insists.html)  
Even when its owner is bored, a normal female human’s brain is active, with electronic scans showing blips of energy scattered throughout.  
A “resting” male brain, by contrast, is virtually inactive except for the part that regulates bodily systems.  
So shows one of the images that author and family counselor Michael Gurian showed Thursday to several audiences, including an evening public lecture at St. John’s Jesuit High School, and plans to show again today to local educators as he discusses “The Minds of Boys and Girls” and how their brains’ differences influence how each gender learns and lives.  
Toledo Blade  
February 5, 2013

[For Most Bullied Gay Kids, Things Do 'Get Better,' Study Finds](https://consumer.healthday.com/sexual-health-information-32/homosexuality-news-386/for-most-bullied-gay-kids-things-do-get-better-study-finds-673108.html)  
While gay British teens more likely to be bullied in school, situation improved by young adulthood   
Medline Plus   
February 4, 2013

[The gender gap at universities: where are all the men?](http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/datablog/2013/jan/29/how-many-men-and-women-are-studying-at-my-university)  
Male students are outnumbered by females at most UK universities. But what subjects are they studying and which campuses have the biggest gender gap?  
The Guardian  
January 29, 2013

["Boys and Men of Color Conference" in Santa Ana](http://blogs.ocweekly.com/navelgazing/2013/01/boys_and_men_of_color_conference_santa_ana.php)

It's no secret in Latino academic circles that there's an achievement gap between teenage Latino males and *mujeres*--studies attest to this. Thankfully, there is now a movement to rectify this problem, to make sure that young Latinos voice out positive change. Out of that comes the Santa Ana Boys and Men of Color.

*OC Weekly, January 9, 2013*

[Calling All Fathers: Absence of the male parent takes a huge toll](http://blog.syracuse.com/opinion/2012/12/calling_all_fathers_absence_of.html)

"Father absence on black families has been associated with psychological problems in the child and with a reduction of goal orientation in the mother. For black boys it has been found to be related to juvenile delinquency ... and a tendency toward either poor masculine identification or compensatory masculinity in adolescence. Among black women, father absence during their childhood may increase the likelihood that they will themselves raise children without a husband."  That passage may sound obvious to some, offensive to others. But the insights are hardly new. They come from a book published in 1974 by University of California Professor David B. Lynn.

*Syracuse.com, December 26, 2012*