

# SYSTEMIC EDUCATION REFORM

## AND THE PROMISE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

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# Our History

*"Injustice anywhere is  
a threat to justice  
everywhere."*

*-Martin Luther King Jr.*



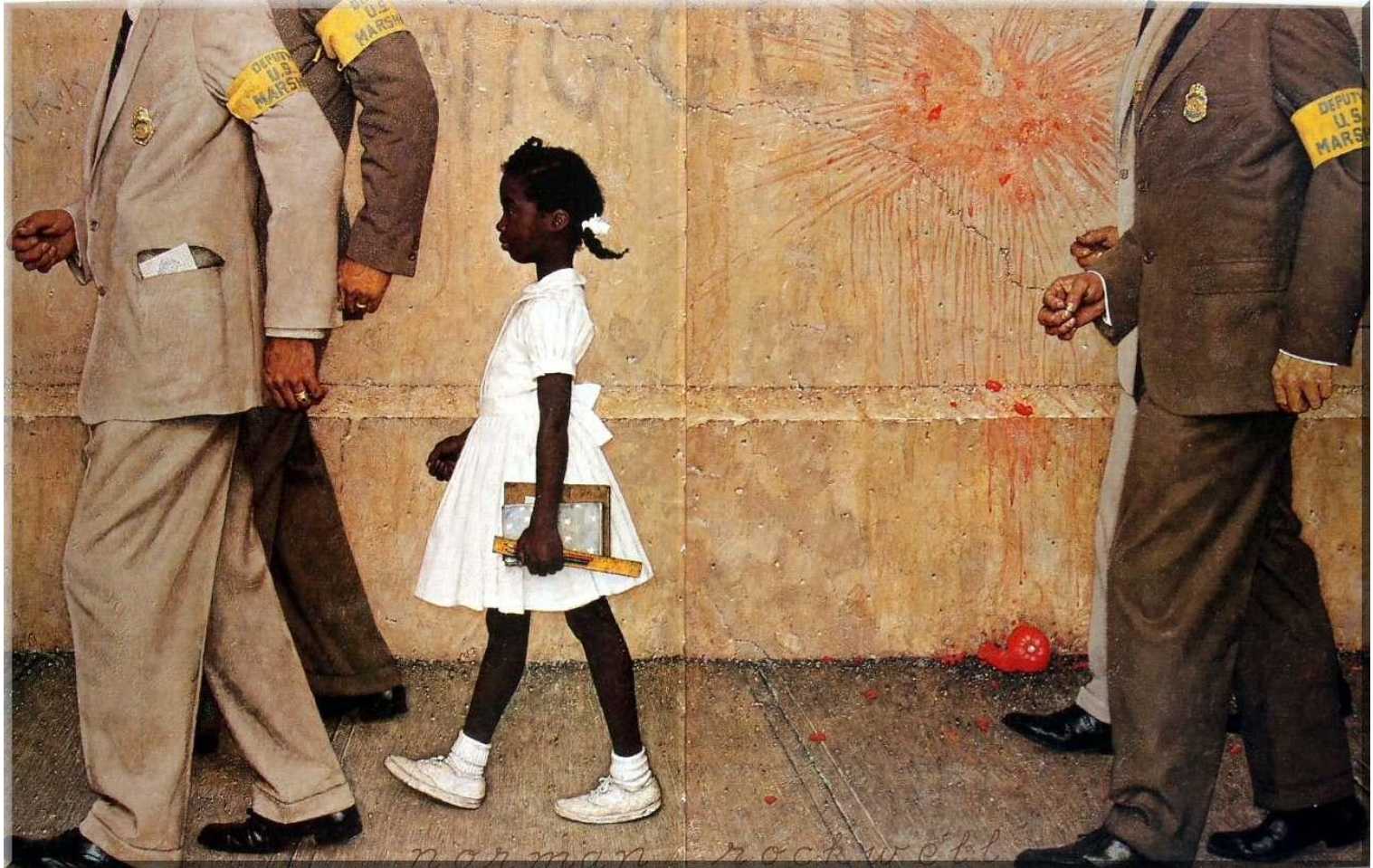
# No Child Left Behind

*“Some say it is unfair to hold disadvantaged children to rigorous standards. I say it is discrimination to require anything less (it is) - the soft bigotry of low expectations.”*

George W. Bush, 1999



# Public Schools as Vehicles for Social Justice



# 2014



# CCSS and College and Career Readiness

- Independent navigation of complex, expository texts
- Ability to form evidence-supported arguments
- Vocabulary suited for college and careers
- Academic and collaborative discussion
- Process and application of knowledge over basic information acquisition
- Technology and digital media

# Who is at risk?

- Low Socio-Economic populations
- English Language Learners
- Students with Disabilities

*All students, regardless of disability, language, or subgroups status, will have the opportunity to learn this valued content and show what they know and can do. (WestEd, 2012)*

# The Dangers

- Low expectations of subgroups
- Failure to provide access to subgroups
- Failure to equip teachers in all schools to deliver the standards



# How Can CCSS Be Delivered?

- Linking school and community
- Linking content areas
- Linking college and career readiness



LINKED LEARNING®

*Life comes to school*

# The Benefits



- Learning in context
- Higher earning power
- Higher academic achievement
- Higher post-secondary participation

# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning and Christian Education



# Isolation from the World



# Engagement With the World



# *The Rest of the Way*

Dorothy Cotton

- “I will give you clarity of purpose; I will guide you to where your skills are needed. Imprinting on the minds and hearts of those you touch, you will gain the Spirit of love, the ability to see those you touch.”

