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Stress in Schools – Who's to Blame?

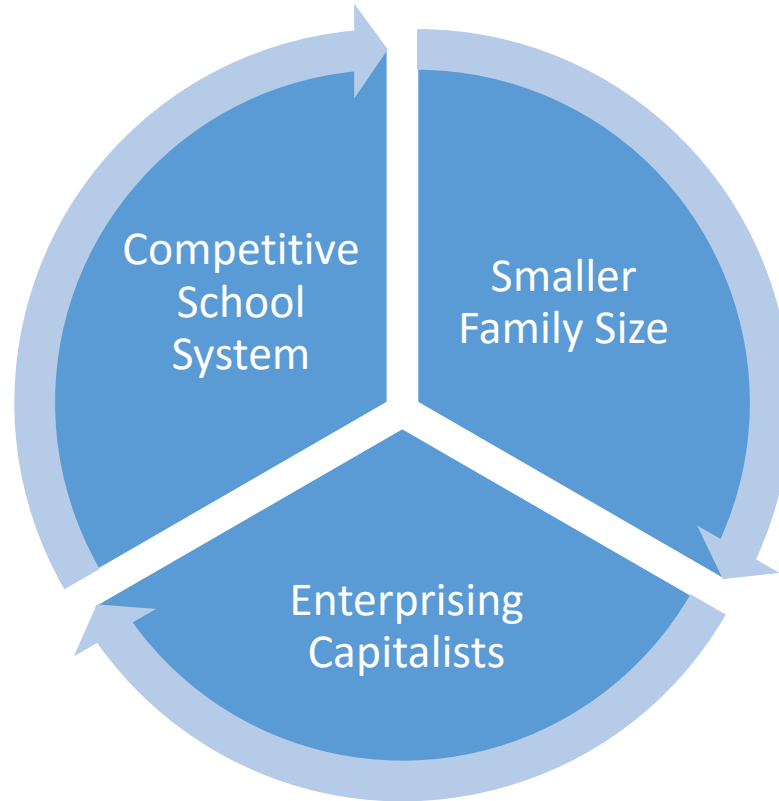
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The Perfect Storm



Who is to Blame?

- All of us

What can we do to protect our Children?

- Re-evaluation of the underlying social structures
 - what worked in the past under different social circumstances may not work as well in new social environment

Proposals

Relook the need for differentiations

→ Is there a need for streaming young children in light of the shrinking birth cohorts?)

Flatten the hierarchy

→ Recognise the significance of intergenerational cultural transfers

→ Reduce the costs (direct & indirect) of being “second best”

Create a social environment that supports many peaks of excellence

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