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Learning Under Fluorescent Warfare: Neurotypical Attachment to Non-Conductive Educational Environments

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Abstract

Despite overwhelming evidence that sensory-hostile environments impair learning, neurotypical administrators remain steadfast in their belief that fluorescent light enhances concentration and that 'quiet corners' can be drawn with masking tape. Children with heightened perception—commonly mislabeled as 'disruptive'—display physiological escape responses ('bolting') when placed in rooms acoustically engineered for despair. Case studies confirm that consequences can be fatal. Still, the prevailing intervention remains compliance training, not environmental reform.

Introduction

Neurotypicals appear convinced that learning is best achieved under duress. The classroom—an echo chamber of clattering chairs, chemical scents, and fluorescent migraine strobes—is treated as sacred ground, immune to adaptation. Teachers report 'sensory-seeking behaviours' while ignoring that the room itself is screaming. In one longitudinal tragedy, a boy fled his classroom 700 times before wandering from home to water—his final act of sensory self-regulation. The event is officially classified as 'elopement,' rather than what it was: flight from systemic negligence.

Methods

Mixed-method absurdism. Data sources included: educational policies containing the phrase 'inclusive learning environment' immediately followed by 'open-plan design'; occupational health reports ignoring sound thresholds above 85 dB; and neurotypical commentary transcripts featuring terms like 'resilience,' 'self-regulation,' and 'coping strategies for bright lighting.' Sensory impact was quantified using the Environmental Hostility Index (EHI)—a ratio of fluorescent intensity to administrative denial.

Results

Findings indicate neurotypicals associate discomfort with growth. 'If it's not stressful, they're not learning,' remarked one subject, while standing beneath a buzzing light tube dated 1998. Participants consistently equated sameness with safety, believing equality meant exposure to identical harm. When questioned about environmental modification, 94% cited 'budget constraints' or 'fairness to the others.' Children displaying distress were prescribed behavioural interventions—a neurotypical term meaning 'learn to endure the conditions that broke you.'

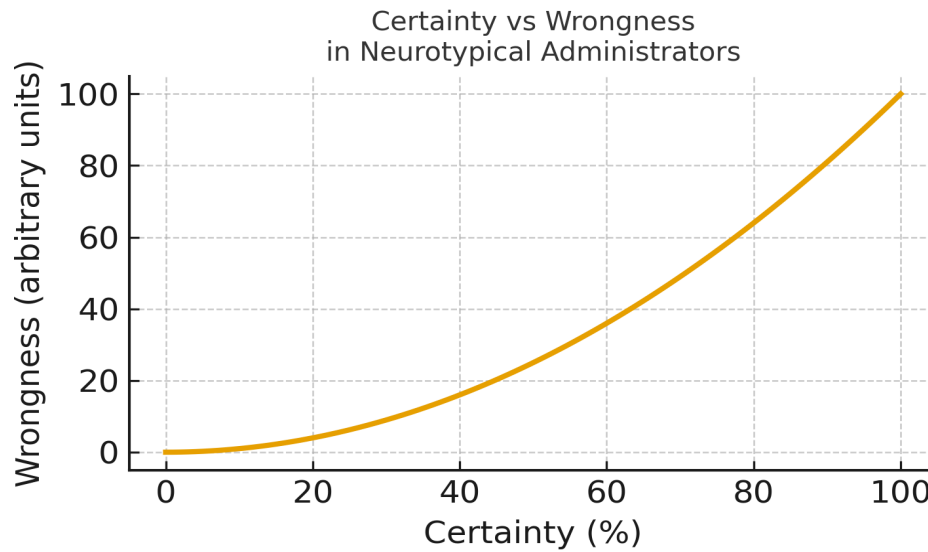


Figure 1. Relationship Between Certainty and Wrongness in Neurotypical Administrators ($R^2 \approx 0.99$).

Discussion

This study supports prior findings that neurotypicals mistake uniformity for inclusion. The insistence on shared suffering preserves system comfort over student survival. Despite recurrent fatalities, policy revisions remain cosmetic—adding pastel posters about kindness to rooms designed like anxiety simulators. Researchers propose that 'learning' in these environments is less educational than performative: children learning how to mask, teachers learning how to file, administrators learning how to rebrand harm as 'complexity.'

Conclusion

Until neurotypical education systems acknowledge that sensory overwhelm is not a teaching method, children will continue to flee—not from learning, but from the architecture of denial.

Intervention recommendations:

1. Remove the fluorescent lighting.
2. Stop calling trauma 'self-regulation challenges.'
3. Redefine 'inclusive' to mean no one has to escape to survive.

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