

Wendy Kopp: The World's 7 Most Powerful Educators

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“Providing an excellent education for all students—especially the 16 million children growing up in poverty—requires extraordinary commitment,” says Wendy Kopp. “These individuals, who aren’t often in the national spotlight, demonstrate the leadership we need to ensure all children gain the skills necessary to get to and through college.” Click the gallery above to see Kopp’s picks for the world’s seven most powerful educators.

Wendy Kopp is the founder and CEO of Teach For America and the cofounder and CEO of Teach For All.

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