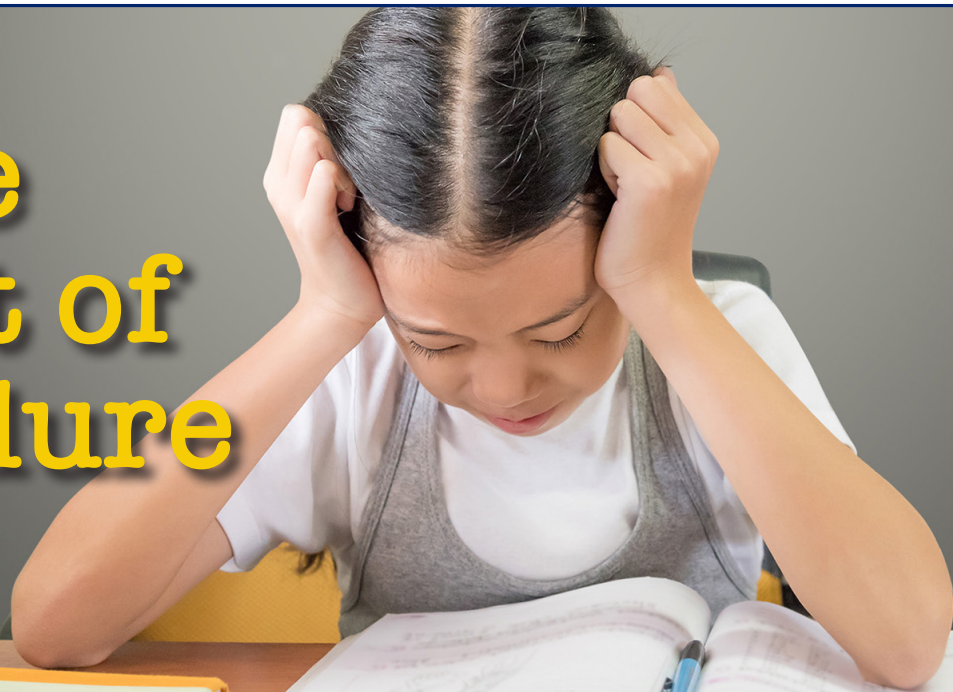
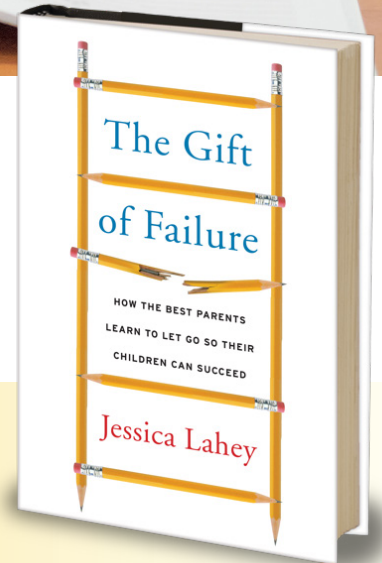


# The Gift of Failure



Children need to experience the disappointment and frustration from life's inevitable problems so they can become successful, resilient, self-reliant adults.

Best-selling author Jessica Lahey will explain "How the best parents learn to let go so their children can succeed."



**Thursday, March 12, 2020**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m. • Patterson Mill High School  
85 Patterson Mill Road, Bel Air, MD 21014**

**Free childcare available!** (Ages 4-12 only; pre-registration required)

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**JESSICA LAHEY** Teacher, New York Times best-selling author and columnist Jessica Lahey is inspiring audiences with her rallying cry to allow children to experience failure as an integral part of becoming successful, resilient and self-reliant adults. Her breakthrough manifesto, *The Gift of Failure: How the Best Parents Learn to Let Go So Their Children Can Succeed*, has become essential reading for parents, educators, and coaches and declared a "must read" by magazines as varied as *Working Mother*, *Fortune*, and *Education Week*. As a highly sought-after speaker, Ms. Lahey addresses "over parenting" with the helpful authority of a seasoned teacher and empathetic, often humorous, personal perspective of a mom who has truly been there. Jessica possesses a B.A. in Comparative Literature from the University of Massachusetts and a J.D. with a concentration in juvenile and education law from the University of North Carolina School of Law.



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