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Type of the Article	Research article

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PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The paper illustrates that implementing educational policies that are not grounded in empirical research may be harmful to our students. The study refutes the idea that a single textbook policy is good to our students. Instead, it was discovered to limit students' abilities. These findings serve as a wake-up call to the scientific community to conduct a critical examination of government initiatives to determine whether they achieve the desired results. This is critical to ensuring that flawed policies are reversed as quickly as possible before causing further harm to innocent people. This study's findings further encourage gender fairness by demonstrating that students' mathematical and economic abilities are not significantly different based on gender.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes, it is appropriate	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	Yes, the abstract covers all the necessary aspects of the study. However, I suggest deleting the paragraph headings (Aims, Study Design, Place and Duration of Study, Methodology, Results, Conclusion) and writing the remaining text as a single paragraph.	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	Yes, it is scientifically correct. However, before conducting a parametric test, the data must be checked for possible violations of the normality assumption. There is no evidence that this was carried out before performing the t-test. If the data does not approximate a normal distribution, then a nonparametric test would be appropriate. Secondly, the null hypotheses (Ho3 & Ho4) are not correctly framed. They sound like their corresponding alternative hypotheses. Please revise your null hypotheses (Ho3 & Ho4) and make them different from the alternative hypotheses. Thirdly, check your research objectives and delete the question marks placed at the end of each objective. Also, correct the spellings for Furhermore and obtained in your methodology section. Lastly, remove vertical lines in your tables if you are using APA table formatting style.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	The references are adequate, although the majority of them are not recent.	
Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	Yes, the English quality of the article is excellent and perfect for scholarly communications	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	The article is worth publishing. However, there are some small concerns that need to be addressed (see my previous comments)	

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
<u>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</u>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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