

Philosophy paper

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When I told my family and friends that I chose an education major, many of them advised me to stay away from middle and high school. I believe the issue is the behaviors of students at these ages. The question is why people try to ignore this problem instead of finding a solution. In this period, middle and high school students go through puberty and physical development which causes many issues, such as anger and bad mood. I believe educating students and supporting them to manage all these changes can improve their quality of life and academic performance. The philosophical perspective on education is that education is a powerful tool that shapes students' personal, social, and emotional development. In fact, education has deep impacts, not only on personal academic achievement, but also on setting the stage for future generations. Here are some facts that education acts as the key for students' growth.

Education prepares students for adulthood. In middle and high school, students must acquire particular skills including time management, organization, and communication skills. Education provides students with fundamental knowledge about how they can invest their time focusing on necessary information. Also, education is a powerful tool that teaches students how to build a strong relationship with their teachers and classmates, which is essential as they transition into adults.

Education helps students shape their future. Middle and high school years are ideal for students to explore their interests. Going over multiple subjects, such as mathematics, engineering, science, and history, helps students identify their strengths and weaknesses, which is vital to determining their career and shaping their future goals. In addition, education helps students make thoughtful decisions. According to the article, "Teaching Students to Make Better Decisions About the Environment: Lessons

from the Decision Sciences,” the authors mentioned that one of the fundamental goals of education is to equip students with skills that help them to make thoughtful decisions about issues (Joseph et al., 2004).

Education helps students build self-esteem. Interacting in class, taking tests, and solving math problems help students build self-esteem and overcome challenges that they may face. When students acquire the knowledge and skills that they need, they feel confident and valued, which positively affects how they see themselves. In addition, education equips students with the confidence that they need to actively participate in their communities. It provides programs that help students understand their responsibilities. For example, through education, students can learn about citizen responsibilities, culture awareness, and social interaction, which are all important for communities’ participation. The book “Community in School as Key to Student Growth,” stated that schools must address social and emotional issues in the educational process for the benefit of all children because they are so crucial. Most do. Schools have traditionally taught about things like moral character and social responsibility. (Schaps et al., 2004)

In conclusion, education should be viewed as the tool that equips students with all the skills they need to engage in the real world and be successful. Overall, students can thrive and achieve their dreams through education.

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