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Thread: [What do you think the education system is missing?](#)

Hipster Ariel - February 7, 2014, 8:38 pm

Yes, I am one of those who think the education system is outdated.

There various things I feel schools should be teaching and they're not, I'll list some examples. (I am referring to school before college)

I feel normal subjects that are nowadays in the system should only be taught to the level that it is needed in normal real life situations. I am talking about math, biology, physics, english and basic subjects among these.

Instead I think schools should focus more in teaching other subjects I'll list some ideas I think should be taught in schools.

Real life problem solving, sure I know how to find X in an equation, but will someone please tell me how to open a bank account, how to change a tire, someone please explain me how to solve all these problems that may come to me in a real life situation, sure some people would say it is your parents job to teach you all of these, but lets be honest parents forget or sometimes are just too lazy to teach, I mean at least 70% of my friends don't know how to do basic life stuff that will some day be a problem to them, and I don't know if they're stupid but that's how it is.

There should be at least a subject teaching you basic economics, how does the stock market work?, what are taxes, how is economics important to the world. It is a subject that surrounds the entire world, like maths and physics but still there's little to no information in schools about it, at least at the basic level of education.

Other subjects that I think should be greatly amplified are technology related subjects.

In all those years you waste in computer class, imagine if they taught you how to code a basic website or a basic application, or just how a coding language works, it is something that is useful for everyone no matter what their career of choice is. And I am not talking about hard stuff, but how many years have you had computer education? or people teaching you how to use word, because I am sure in all that time people could actually learn at least html, css and the basics of java script, hell I learned html and css in a month ? not fully but again, a month.

How does a computer work? what is a computer made of?

yeah I am buying a new graphics card for my pc..."a what" your friend screams, damn Yosh you're such a geek.

Moving on, I think there should be more psychology subjects, with the rate of people that suicide in schools, I am not sure if it would save thousands of people but by just helping one that's a win, I think there should be more subjects focused on the kids mind and well being, and I am talking real subjects not those fill out hours you get once a week because your school doesn't even know what else to teach.

I also feel there should be a more personalized program for each person, I mean I want to study I don't know...Graphic Design let's say, and I already took a year of biology, please I don't want to keep learning how plants reproduce, give me art history or geometry instead please.

These among other ideas I think could improve the schools, I don't know if I am correct but that's what I feel.

What do you guys think? are schools outdated?

tl;dr: NO

Eminem? - February 7, 2014, 8:41 pm

I didn't read all of this, but seeing the title:

I think the education system doesn't prepare us for life, but rather just university or college. We should be taught more how to handle tough situations, how to get through things, and basically just be more prepared for the challenges life will bring us.

Instead, we study a bunch of bullshit nobody will ever use in their lives.. $y=mx+b$ my ass

tthudium - February 7, 2014, 9:47 pm

I think the problem is making students learn.

If I leave a spoon on a table with a note "TAKE THIS SPOON" would you take it? Probably not unless you needed it. What about if I left a note that said "DO NOT take this spoon"? Hell yeah, I might need it in the future and it'll make someone mad. -(Thoughts of a high school student :P)

The no child left behind thing, in my opinion, is crap. Sure we should give everyone an equal chance, but how many students are going to take that chance and *Throw it on the ground*?

One of my favorite teachers quote- "I've never met a student who wanted to learn... who didn't"

Most of the stuff like changing a tire, welding, using MS Word and stuff like that is taught at a Vocational Tech offered at my school and we only have a campus of 80 people per grade.

Then again, does the government really want a bunch of smart, intelligent people running around? No... they want them dumb so they can tax them and sell them things.

I used to love school when I was in middle school. When I hit High School, I realized I could learn a massive amount of information and surpass my teachers' knowledge if I wanted to EASILY. In fact, I could probably have like 3 degrees by now if I would've spent the time on the internet instead of school. Then again, Social interaction is very important.

The only thing that gets on my nerves is Busy Work

Patelka333 - February 7, 2014, 10:19 pm

are education system is only teaching but the students are the ones willing to learn.

Mr.Peanut - February 7, 2014, 10:21 pm

It is outdated...

1. Letting the state choose what we learn is a terrible idea to a certain extent..
2. Teachers who lecture/give tons of papers/ have no real drive or passion
3. Outdated technology to help us learn
4. No real world connections.. Make us want to learn

I could go on and on...

Feminist - February 7, 2014, 10:33 pm

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the minority voter.

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SawCyanic - February 7, 2014, 10:37 pm

It's missing actual specialized classes, things like no student left behind absolutely destroyed the system.

Hipster Ariel - February 7, 2014, 10:42 pm

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? please don't. Sorry but your comment makes no sense, I don't see why they would make it illegal for boys to go to school and how it is all because of feminism.

encrptedbug - February 8, 2014, 12:28 am

now a days education system is like pressure cooker ,pressure keeps on increasing as we move upward.

clark.dll - February 8, 2014, 12:38 am

Too much time and money is being spent on teaching subjects like history and art. Schools need to focus more on English and Sciences/Maths. Schools also need to get kids hooked on learning, explain to them why it's important to learn math, and what kind of careers can come out of it. Make it fun, hands on, and spend time with the children/students. Educators need to realize that every kid has a different learning style, and it's their duty to cater to them. Lets not make a second language a requirement to graduate shall we? Instead lets let the students decide which courses they would like to pursue and help them achieve their goals, goals that will help them with their careers.

Feynman - February 8, 2014, 6:05 am

I think one of the only problems with the education system is the teachers. However, I don't blame them, as it's hard to like a job in which you can barely make a living. I think the first step would be to increase the funding of schools. I also think that instead of just teaching the material, they should teach why the material is relevant.

Patelka333 - February 8, 2014, 8:15 am

students that want to actually learn and teachers that want to teach.

Stuffn - February 8, 2014, 3:34 pm

yes, I totally agree with your post!

I think we waste so much time on stuff that really isn't that important. Sure I think we should learn some math, science, history etc but damn to they drag that shit on for too long! When I'm at school I literally feel like I'm wasting valuable time in my life that I could be learning something useful.

This is something that people don't even pay attention to but is a really big problem I think. Glad to see other people feel the same way as myself.

M?gic - February 8, 2014, 5:23 pm

The education is a business and therefore, this post's ideas mean nothing to anyone of position within the education system. I agree that the system is undoubtedly lacking; however, once you're

out of high school education is more about money than anything else.

Furthermore, I completely agree that the system is outdated. For example, just about every bit of logic would side with making university-style homework internet based for certain (most) classes obviously excluding mathematics-based classes. Why haven't we made the step towards eBooks and online classes? Because printing books is more profitable. If the school did not buy then resell books, they would lose revenue and would therefore become a university based on education... and those don't exist in anyone's wildest dreams.

pan. - February 8, 2014, 6:00 pm

I believe the school systems nowadays are lacking financial education, I recommend people reading the book "Rich Dad Poor Dad" it teaches you alot as well as to think from a different mind set

webdev77 - February 8, 2014, 6:05 pm

I think the education system is missing a large number of intelligent individuals. I felt very alone academically throughout most of my school years because I was generally with people a few years older than myself, sometimes with adults twice my age (an IT/Business class). And most of them were not good students...

AnonZyid - February 9, 2014, 12:28 pm

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lol, did you see thunderf00t's Feminism series?

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Our education system is based off the communist belief that each child must attend school or suffer the consequences. The common consequence in America is a gun pointed to your head if you decide not to go. NO government should have the right to tell a child where they must go for the next several years of their life. It should be the choice of the child/parents if they want to attend school, not the government.

Ctimko1993 - February 9, 2014, 5:14 pm

Half the stuff they teach us we don't use , teach more of the important aspects

Razmus - February 9, 2014, 5:17 pm

The school system definitely needs the same as you stated, OP. But, also motivating teachers. At least at the schools I've been at.

Extence - February 9, 2014, 5:24 pm

We're forced to go to school.

And this, is the problem.

Elvenzo - February 10, 2014, 6:28 am

Personally i think a huge problem is that 'intelligence' these days seems to be based on memory...

I personally feel intelligence is knowledge, experience and confidence.

Anybody can learn something which has already been discovered... why aren't we pushing youngsters to think for themselves? Solving problems their own way?

I was graded an F in music after school, now i teach production on reason/fl part time completely self taught!

Before worrying about 'dated technology', we need to worry about the outdated individuals who still believe that the key to learning is the same as 40 years ago...

Re?olution - February 10, 2014, 9:54 am

I personally think one of the largest problems with the educational system are the students themselves. There are too many students who, for a lack of a better way of saying it, simply don't give two shits about their education. It is students like these (and No Child Left Behind) that hinder those who wish to learn from doing so.

I also think that these shitty students sap the interest out of teachers, turning them into bad teachers.

Also I think they are missing the bigger picture, schools get so caught up with the fine details and sticking to the curriculum that they miss the entire point of teaching the matter, which is so that it can apply to the "real world". Almost no classes even mention the practical applications of the subject material, which I think is a huge problem.

Sasaki Haise - February 10, 2014, 10:01 am

Incorporation of real life problems into the education system would be great.

Why? "General Education " (Gen-ed) teaches you the "basics" of education. What is education though? Is it just to fill your mind with facts and the job is done there? Or is it to teach a child's mind and mold it so that he can understand the world that we are living in. The world we're living in generally has oceans, seas, mountains, and civilizations, but learning about that won't help you survive in the real world.

What's necessary to survive in the real world isn't to know what under water sea creature is poisonous, or which mountain is the biggest, and how long it's been there. What's necessary to survive in the world we live in every-day is understanding how the system we're living in works, what standards we should expect to meet at the very least. Once you get into college, everything is different. You have to manage your own bills, have budgets, fill out tax returns and more ALL at once. Nobody taught that to you in school, and even if they did, it wasn't informative at all. For all I know, I could be played by our system and I still wouldn't know at all.

Learning how to survive in our society by the time we're young adults is already too late, it's something schools should incorporate. You should learn how to survive when you're younger so that you will be able to live life later on. I'd rather live life at 24 than 44.

Purpose. - February 10, 2014, 10:55 am

Education system is setup by gov, therefore what we learn, what we become is not determined by us, but rather someone else? Kinda scary.

If it where to be more free to make choices by us, rather than having the gov decide what we need, then the system would be better. The courses that are mandatory or 'forced' should be more related to things like how to think for yourself, how to find out who you are, where you want to go, self discovery etc.

Thats just my quick view on it. I could go on forever about this stuff.

SIM-1179501 - February 10, 2014, 6:08 pm

It values your gpa more then your learning experience.

iloominati - February 10, 2014, 6:11 pm

Teachers should honestly be paid depending on how well the students progress.