IMPORTANCE AND PURPOSES OF SCHOOLING?

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Abstract: The aim of this article is to show how much schooling plays a crucial role in individuals' lives and what are the main purposes of schooling.Besides, aims, effects of schooling on society and communities, some supportive ideas are mentioned in this article, as well.

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Education, as a matter of fact, is the process in which we learn new skills, values and knowledge needed to live our lifetime happily and peacefully. In today`s developing world, no one can deny that education has a significant role to play in every field of our society. Education not only improves the living conditions of people, but also contributes to enhance their respect towards each other. Actually, there are so many talks about improving schooling but there is one thing to know which is knowing what does this schooling word mean.

Schooling refers to the process of receiving formal education within a structured institution, typically referred to as a school. This educational process usually occurs during childhood and adolescence, and it involves the acquisition of knowledge, skills, and values under the guidance of educators and educational frameworks.

Before dive down deeply in the aims and importance of schooling , it would be better to mention about the evolution of schooling. In past, it is common to come across the school and lessons were more teacher centered where only teachers and lecturers spoke during the lessons. Additionally, note-taking was mandatory during the lesso or the lecture. When it comes to facilities in the classroom, it was quite simle which were typical chairs and desks made of wood, blackboard and a chalk.However, as we creep into the 21ˢᵗ century, the integration of technology has been a pivotal force in reshaping the educational experience. Smartboards, interactive learning software, and educational apps have become essential tools, creating more interactive and engaging classroom experiences. E-books and online resources have expanded accessibility to a wealth of educational materials, breaking down geographical barriers and enhancing learning opportunities for students everywhere.Furthermore, the traditional ways of learning new information-rote memorization and testing- has gradually given way to a more personalized and adaptive approch to learning. Lessons are increasingly

interactive and student-centered which means this approach emphasizes much more on collaborative learning, individualized attention , project based learning , inquiry based tasks and cross-disciplinary projects.These tasks reinforce students' critical thinking, creativity and problem-solving skills.

There are actually four distinct purposes for schooling. They are individual possibility, social possibility, social efficiency and individual efficiency.

1.   Individual possibility -classic education: shaping the learning and development of individual students. In this classic education children develop deep content knowledge and the ability to apply it. Plus, children develop a sense of empathy and wonder , as schools are not only the place for academic knowledge , but also for fostering the feelings and senses.

2.   Social possibility- socialization processes: shaping collective culture and social norms at the micro and macro, for example, the community, national and global levels. It emphasizes on creating a local or national sense of identity and developing democratic values.

3.   Social efficiency- classic human capital perspective: sustain current social, economic and political institutions. The main reason is to make sure there are enough STEM workers in economy and to make sure national economic growth can compete with other developed countries.

4.   Individual efficiency-to serve an individual's own ability to navigate the education or socio-economic systems. This is often social mobility in a capitalist system. The core of this purpose is to make sure every child graduates from high school or college and to make sure poor students or girl students have the opportunity to get high paying jobs and children get into prestigious universities.

So, there are four core purposes - reasons why we establish and maintain common schooling. These are the same four purposes for every society that maintains a schooling system. However there are different kinds of societies people want to create in every country. This is where aims come in.

Aims are the vision and goals of a schooling system- they are highly reflective of culture,norms, power structures and institutions. The aims provide direction for thekind of societies and the kinds of individuals that will be fostered.

Schooling plays a fundamental role in shaping individuals and laying the groundwork for future academic and personal achievements. It represents an essential phase in the development of individuals, contributing to their personal growth, educational attainment, and capacity to engage meaningfully with the world.The primary aim of schooling is to facilitate the intellectual, social, and emotional development of students, enabling them to acquire foundational knowledge, critical thinking skills, and a broad understanding of the world around them. Schooling seeks to prepare individuals to become literate, numerate, and informed members of society,

equipped with the tools necessary to make meaningful contributions to their communities and beyond.

Additionally, I wanted to give a bit information about schools as they are unseperable part in education.A good school is a place where students learn what is helpful enough to get them off to a strong start in life, a place where foundations are laid to support further learning, and a place that fosters a desire to learn more. It makes students think of themselves as those who find strength, sustenance, and joy in learning. School is the primary source of knowledge for students. This allows students to gain knowledge in various fields of education, such as culture, literature, history, mathematics, politics, and many other subjects. It also contributes to the development of thought processes. School is the place where students get knowledge and decide the field for their further studies.

Regarding the importance of schooling, it is the foundation of knowledge,helps children to socialize , improve their critical thinking ,cultural awareness, also it is the preparation for the future and helps to shape your identity. Schooling , firstly, allows children to obtain fundamental knowledge covering wide range of subjects such as mathemamatics, science, literature, history and more. This fundamental knowledge will be key to continue further education. Secondly,school are important places for social interaction. They provide opportunities for students to converse with their peers, develop social skills and learn how to work with a team, how to collaborate with group members. These are very essential for children's personal and professional lives. Thirdly, schools trigger students use their brain which leads to improvement in their problem-solving skills, critical thimking ,analysis of different types of data, as well as decision making process. Furthermore, schooling prepares students for future academic and career pursuits. It provides them with the necessary qualifications and credentials to pursue higher education or enter the workforce. Finally, many schools emphasize character education, teaching values like honesty, respect, responsibility, and empathy. This helps shape students into responsible and ethical individuals.For many schools cultural awareness define schooling. It exposes their students to a variety of cultures, perspectives, and ideas, promoting cultural awareness and tolerance. This can lead to a more inclusive and understanding society.

In conclusion, education can help and guide students about how they should learn and how they can make use of the information they learn in daily activities. School is the primary source of knowledge that children come into contact with. This contributes to the development of thought processes. Schooling is very important for all the students in the world, all students should give their best to improve their academic performance

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