

People acquire knowledge that enhances self-reliance. Plato explains that education is the process where the body and soul of the pupil develops the beauty and everything perfect he is capable of producing. nun points out that education is the complete development of a child so that he or she can make an original contribution to the human existence to his best. Many attempts have been made to define education. The common thing about the definitions is that education is a process that takes place since birth and it aims at equipping the students with knowledge that helps them to get a clear understanding of themselves and the world around them. It helps them to use their potential capabilities to change the world around them to a better place. Civilization has resulted in establishment of institutions where this process takes place. These institutions include schools, colleges and institutions of higher learning.

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Education in America is classified into hierarchical levels based on age and level of knowledge. Preschool is the lowest level where children below six years. It is commonly referred to as early child hood education. Next in the hierarchy is the elementary school. Elementary school is for children between the ages of six to eleven years of age. In this school, the children are taught basic reading, writing, history and basic math. The children are also taught the basic rules of relating in the society. Following elementary school is the intermediate school that runs from grade six to grade 8. It is the institution for the children aged between eleven and thirteen years. It is a learning stage that encompasses grade four to six. High school comprises of grade nine to twelve. When a student completes high school education, they are eligible for tertiary education. After high school education, the students further their education through vocational training or university education. The tertiary education prepares the students for their careers. They equip the students with practical skills that are useful in performing their career duties.

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