

Education



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DEVELOPING THE STUDENT'S FULL POTENTIAL

The Natural Law Party advocates scientifically proven educational programs that can unfold the full creative potential of every student and produce ideal citizens capable of fulfilling their highest aspirations while contributing maximum to the progress of society. By harnessing America's greatest resource -- the unlimited creativity of our 280 million citizens -- the Natural Law Party can bring fulfillment to education and ensure America's competitiveness and continuing leadership in the family of nations.

Education in America is not working. Even though the United States spends more money per student than any other country: our students:

- Our students rank far behind most of their international peers in math and science, and well behind U.S. test scores of 20 years ago.
- Twenty-eight percent of our high school students drop out – the highest rate of any industrialized nation.
- Those students who do graduate are often ill prepared to enter the work force.
- Drug and alcohol abuse continues to undermine our nation's students and rob them of their mental clarity, motivation, self-esteem, and ability to focus.
- Juvenile violent crime has increased markedly during the past decade, especially gang and school violence using guns - American youths are 12 times more likely to die by gunfire than their peers in other nations.

Current proposals to improve education often focus on information technologies that offer larger and larger volumes of data. However, without an educational approach that can develop more than 5-10% of a student's full mental potential, no amount of information will ever produce truly educated citizens.

The Natural Law Party promotes proven educational programs that directly increase intelligence and creativity and simultaneously improve moral reasoning, self-reliance, and mental and physical health and well being. These programs include:

- sound educational approaches to nutrition
- natural, preventive health measures
- effective drug prevention programs
- and innovative curriculum development, including programs to develop the full mental potential of students.

While focusing on dissemination of knowledge, current approaches to education ignore the most fundamental component of learning -- the consciousness or intelligence of the student, which is the basis of gaining knowledge. Today's educational approaches provide no knowledge of consciousness and no scientifically proven technology to develop it. These approaches do not comprehensively develop the brain physiology, causing incomplete cognitive and emotional development and less-than-comprehensive thinking. This fundamental failure is the ultimate source of the problems afflicting education today.

A REASON TO VOTE

- √ **Ending special interest control of our politics** by eliminating PACs and soft money, establishing public sponsorship of election campaigns, and prohibiting lobbying by former public servants.
- √ **Ensuring a strong economy** through powerful pro-growth tax and fiscal policies, and through proven education, job training, and apprenticeship programs that will ensure a highly qualified and productive work force.
- √ **Cutting taxes deeply and responsibly** by reducing government waste, fraud, and the national debt, and by implementing cost-effective solutions to costly social problems, while protecting crucial programs such as Social Security and Medicare.
- √ **Creating a true health care system** - as opposed to a disease care system bought and paid for by special interests - by supporting prevention-oriented health care programs proven to prevent disease, promote health, and save money in the best possible way, by keeping people healthy.
- √ **Creating energy self-sufficiency** by ending our costly addiction to foreign oil and developing renewable, safe, nonpolluting energy resources such as wind and solar – saving billions of dollars in health and environmental costs.
- √ **Strengthening education** by supporting programs that develop the student's full potential through curriculum innovations proven to increase intelligence, creativity, and academic performance.
- √ **Preventing crime** – not warehousing criminals – through effective criminal and drug rehabilitation programs, and through proven programs to reduce high levels of individual and societal stress.
- √ **Safeguarding America's food supply** through sustainable, organic agricultural practices proven to produce healthy, high-quality food without hazardous chemical fertilizers and pesticides.
- √ **Mandatory labeling and safety testing of genetically engineered foods**, and a moratorium on the release of these experimental life-forms into the environment until proven safe.
- √ **Promoting more prosperous and harmonious international relations** by shifting our meddlesome and invasive foreign policy away from the export of weapons towards the export of U.S. know-how in entrepreneurship, education, sustainable agriculture, and environmental technologies.