

**The good education of youth has been esteemed by wise men in all ages, as the surest foundation of happiness” -Benjamin Franklin**

What is the meaning of this quote?

Education plays an important role in the development of young minds and how they operate in the social structure of the world. Schools act as an important foundational institution in the lives of children. In school students build their personal identity and learn how to operate in society. It is evident that a positive school experience will result in more preferable outcomes when one is done school. Not only can you make positive connections that can benefit you in the future but you can also open doors that would otherwise be shut. School is a ladder that can raise you to levels that would not be possible without the resources that are available through standardized schooling. I would implement this idea and quote into my classroom by always relating the learning we do to real world application. I would ensure that students never ask why we're learning this because I would make it clear what the learning is applicable too. I will accomplish this by having an abundance of experiential learning that gives students examples of why we learn what we do. Ideally students will be able to find what they enjoy and are good at in school; therefore, directly seeing how they can apply their schooling experience to a career and future that they are proud of. I want to have a classroom that is experiential and supports students in finding what they are passionate about.

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