The Need for Theater Education in Schools by Harry Yadav

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Most of the parents fear that if their children participate in drama then it may damage their childâ€™s academic growth. A UCLA study found out that, students who are occupied with the arts are likely to have higher academic performance and better consistent test scores. According to Gai Jones, Theater has been a major factor to boost education and skill development in 5 key areas that include:

a. artistic development,

b. mental development,

c. physical development,

d. personal development,

e. social development.

Parents often do not agree with the fact that gain in academic performances is not the only benefit. Though not very wrong and obvious ones such as better public speaking skills, improved self-confidence, but Jones says students show other growth as well when they work with a group in drama, such as the â€œability to work with an group in cooperative projects" and the "capability to work through harmony and differentiation or obstruction to reach a goal.â€• She points out that a play needs students to maintain a time line, to use discipline and strength of mind, and to accept feedback or any sort of opinion.

It can be a great starting points for careers such to study theater. Careers that can be made on the basis of theatre are teaching, politics, law, and not to mention broadcasting and performing. The capability to speak confidently and appropriately in the mid of a group is a benefit for any career. Many children are found to be afraid of the stage. Stage plays help them to gain confidence and to face the crowd. Children who are audience phobic can be helped to get over the problem if they are being made to do stage dramas. At many schools, there are numerous children who can be good actors if they are given a chance. Stage dramas also help them to think about anything deeply and in a wide manner.

In the schools these days, Theatre has become one subject for the students. It also helps the students to discover their hidden talent which many of them were unaware of. It helps them the most to build up their confidence because when people face a large crowd once, the fear of facing it again and again vanishes. Therefore, every student should be given a chance to experiment their talent in school.

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