THE MISSING INGREDIENT IN EDUCATION

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Reforms have been implemented in the past years and continue at present, but the fundamental problems remain. And now reformers advocate restoring “good old fashioned discipline” in our schools. It is said that we must start teaching the basics once again. Teachers are improperly motivated and need higher wages. Teachers claim that much of the extracurricular activities that are required of them to accomplish, interfere with the time supposed to be spent in teaching their pupils.

In all possible solutions, one ingredient is missing. Reports almost never mention the vital parental role in education. Parents who are actively involved in their children’s education engender positive results. We see a general decline in standards and deteriorating quality of education of young people whose parents do not help in the educational process.

Education is a process that begins at birth. The first few years set the foundation to future performance. Parents not schools or government are fundamentally responsible for the education of their children. Schools are just one only element in the education of children.

The Bible consistently stresses the parental role in education. Parents are responsible for training children. “Train up a child in the way he should go” (Prov. 22:6).

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