

**“Why the freedom to choose a school is important for me and my family”**

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“Educational Freedom Essay”

I've attended over four schools in my educational timeline. Some of these schools were simply because I made my jump from elementary to junior high, or junior high to high school. However, had I not had the choice where I attended high school, my education would have taken a dramatically different turn, not for the better, but for the worse.

The school I had attended previously was a pace system, which meant the sole amount of your education was extracted from long hours spent in a quiet classroom working diligently out of a workbook. This was not teaching me anything substantial, because my personality required a teacher to guide me if I was to achieve the fullest extent of my education. So, I switched to an arts charter school. I am very happy here because the environment is smaller than the average public school and the teachers really care about your education. The school I personally chose allowed me to excel not only in my grades, but in my social skills and love for art in all shapes and forms. I also made new, valuable friends and people that will have made a lifelong difference.

Choosing where you attend school is so important not only for the individual, but for their families. It allows a student to open up their true abilities and potential not only for their community, but for their world. To not have freedom in this matter would be un-American in all senses of the meaning. Our country would become a communistic, tyrannical place, and it would not thrive the way it does today.

Having the freedom to choose a school in itself separates us from many other countries that do not have such a freedom. Some of them don't even have the choice to go to school at all, and their people suffer for it. Their economy suffers. Their whole country suffers, and then in turn, our world suffers. I value the fact that America gives children this freedom, because it will allow the future generations to step up and create a better world for those around them.

For this reason, artists go to art school, producers go to film school, doctors go to medical school, etc. They go to a school of their choice because it will help them better their skill or their interest, and they will find out if it's really the path they want to take in life. So let's start now in embracing this freedom, while students are still in their prime years of junior high or high school.

It is important for me to go to a place where I can delve into one of my favorite subjects; art. Who knows how my talent will affect the world around me, if I only have the freedom to do so. It would have been a great tragedy if the doctors who have found cures for cancers had never realized their passion for health and people, or if the producer that created a major motion flick

had never attended their first film class. Looking at the examples of great people around me shows me why freedom of choice is so important. I am very thankful I have the freedom to choose where I attend school.