

USA EDUCATION SYSTEM

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SCHOOL SYSTEMS

- Elementary School: kindergarten-5th Grade
- Middle School/ Junior High: 6th-8th Grade
- High School: 9th-12th Grade
 - Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior
- Preschool is available for students with disabilities starting at age 3
- Every state's education system is set up differently
- Kindergarten is required varying by state

STATE STANDARDS

- The Common Core, also known as State Standards, tells schools and teachers what should be taught/learned in each grade and subject.
- Subjects covered:
 - Mathematics
 - Reading and Language Arts
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - Arts
 - Health and Physical Education

GRADING SYSTEM IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

- Grades and Grade Point Average (GPA): both measure academic achievement
- Grades A-F

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Students with disabilities start receiving services at 3 years old and last until age 21-24 (depending on state)
- Students go to the same schools as their non-disabled peers.
- Have separate classrooms, but are in inclusion classes.
- Post-Secondary programs are required by districts
- Students receive all supports free of charge
 - Speech, Occupational, Physical, and Behavioral therapies.

FUN FACTS

- High schools have more variety of courses to choose from, to meet students interests and career goals
- There are a variety of levels of courses: Honors, AP and IB
- Kids that come from lower income households get free breakfast and lunch at school
- You only need a Bachelors degree to be a teacher