



# Creative Education

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The increasing interest in creative education is due to the need for more [critical thinkers](#) in business science, politics and every subject to be able to solve complex problems. When students have more said in their [education](#), they become more engaged which helps facilitate learning. Plus, the goal of creative education is to challenge each student and encourage originality. Instead of "[standardizing](#)" how students approach a problem, different responses would be encouraged. This, in turn, allows more than one type of learner to exist within a classroom. A growing number of colleges and universities are realizing the needs for more creative students in every field of education. Creativity is a set of teachable skills and many universities are requiring students to take creativity classes as part of their [undergraduate study](#).

## Benefits:

Research has found the following benefits for students using creativity in education:

- Makes learning more fun for students where they can learn faster and can increase their performance.
- Students' dislike for science, mathematics, and social studies subjects can be diminished.
- Improvement in student achievement.

For school leaders the first step in developing a creative school is the fostering of a whole-school approach. Creativity is not an add-on and it cannot be imposed by the headteacher. There needs to be discussion, involvement and ownership. The debate should be based around some of the following points:

- taking control of the curriculum by the school
- the creation of a school with creativity at the heart of the learning process
- enhancing the motivation for staff and pupils
- fostering the professional development of all the staff, both teaching and non-teaching
- involving governors and parents in a whole-school approach to creativity and showing how this philosophy supports school improvement and high standards of achievement

