

# What's going on in many of our elementary schools



Next week many parents will be visiting classrooms.

November 11-17 is American Education Week.

This year's theme is "Teach All the Children."

The Mini Page talked with experts to find out what are the trends or important ideas in elementary education.

Check the boxes if these things are going on in your school.



Handicapped students are entering regular classroom activities.

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A student talks with her teacher.

**Bilingual (two-language) education.** Some students do not understand English well. So they will not get behind in their work, these students are being taught in their native language as well as in English. The hope is that they will soon be able to join the regular classroom.

**Back to the basics.** Reading, writing and arithmetic are being stressed. Since there is often less money because of tax cuts, some schools are doing away with courses people think of as "frills."

**More testing for kids** to make certain they are learning what they should know. Students are not being promoted to a higher grade unless they master certain skills.

**TV education.** Children are being taught classes in wise television viewing habits.

**Opportunities for the handicapped.** More handicapped children are being offered an education in the regular classroom.

**Smaller class size and smaller schools.** This is good news for kids and their teachers.

## The Paper Box

Look through the rest of your paper for subjects that you would like to learn more about.

Next week The Mini Page celebrates Children's Book Week with a story about author Judy Blume.

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## SCHOLARSHIP TRY 'N FIND

Scholarship words are hidden in the block below. See if you can find: study, work, try, think, listen, remember, homework, pencils, paper, notes, responsible, attention, read, books, knowledge, library, learn, write, ideas, creative, dependable and success.



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N C R E A T I V E S L Q C T D  
S L E A R N D M O R E A D G A  
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B C L I B R A R Y T M C E G L  
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## ALPHA BETTY

The letter U is a vowel. It has two sounds: a short sound and a long sound. The long sound of U says its name. Can you read these words with the long sound of U?

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