

## The collision of school and work: article

It is known by everyone how life experiences can affect our work in the future. But could elementary school, middle school and high school affect it as well?

A study shows that it is absolutely possible. Those who have better grades are more likely to get a postgraduate degree, which can lead to a better job or better performance in comparison with other co-workers. 38,1% of the students who typically get A's in elementary and middle school go on to earn a postgraduate degree.

On the other hand, between 22% and 27% of the students who don't have as good grades as the others in elementary and middle school cut ties with education after high school. However, struggling to succeed in elementary and middle school doesn't always mean limited education or less success in the future since 20% of those who earn D's and F's in their educational life go on to earn a postgraduate degree as well.

But it isn't just about the grades. Just as important is one's mind-set and attitudes around the significance of their childhood education and how they act when confronted with things out of their control. We learn how to work in a group or handle criticism situations when we are children, which can be extremely useful in our future life.

On top of that, we can also learn how to socialize with people that aren't that close to us, for example, when we enter a new class or school, we are forced to communicate with new people and even become their friends. This could be an added value to our future work given the fact that most of the times we find ourselves in situations in which we might not know our fellow worker.

Summarising, school is probably one of the most (if not the most) important stages of our lives since it can teach us important values that we wouldn't be able to learn by our own.