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Experts say early habits, routines and reading behaviour determine long-term academic success.



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TELANGANA'S CLASSROOMS ARE OPEN AGAIN. WHAT WILL BE DIFFERENT THIS TIME?

The first month of school may decide the entire academic year.

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Schools across Telangana reopened on June 15, welcoming more than 65 lakh students after the summer break. The academic year 2026-27 begins with renewed hope, new challenges and a critical opportunity.

Experts across the education ecosystem agree on one thing: the first month of school often determines how the rest of the year unfolds.

The habits built in June — reading, attention, discipline, asking questions, staying consistent — shape learning outcomes far more than most students realise.

GOVERNMENT DATA SHOWS:

29,927
government schools are functional in the state.

68.35 lakh
students returned to classrooms this week.

2.61 lakh
teachers are leading the academic year.

Over 4.2 lakh classrooms have been upgraded under Samagra Shiksha since 2021.

The question is not whether schools have reopened.

The real question is:

Will this year be different inside the classroom?



“The habits students build in June will influence the opportunities available to them in March.

— REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

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WHAT THE FIRST 30 DAYS DECIDE

LEARNING HABITS Consistency built now lasts the year.

ATTENTION SPAN Focus improves with routine.

READING BEHAVIOUR Readers become better learners.

CONFIDENCE Early participation builds self-belief.

ACADEMIC MOMENTUM Strong start, stronger finish.

Source: NCERT (2023), Telangana Education Dept.

EDUCATION SNAPSHOT: TELANGANA (2026-27)

29,927
Government Schools

68.35 LAKH
Students Returned to Classrooms

2.61 LAKH
Teachers Guiding the Year Ahead

220
Working Days for Students

1.18 LAKH+
Schools with Internet Access

32,000+
Classrooms with Digital Devices

Source: School Education Department, Telangana | June 15, 2026

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think.

— ALBERT EINSTEIN

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The future is not decided by exams.
It is shaped by habits.

— A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

DID YOU KNOW?

Students who read daily for 20 minutes
a day score 35% higher in comprehension
than those who do not.
Source: OECD Report 2023

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WHY MOST ACADEMIC YEARS ARE WON OR LOST BEFORE AUGUST

The hidden factors that determine student success long before examination season.

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

When examination results are announced each year, public attention immediately turns toward percentages, ranks and pass rates. Yet educational researchers have long argued that academic success is rarely determined during examination season. It is determined much earlier. Often during the first six to eight weeks of the academic year.

As Telangana's schools begin the 2026-27 academic session, thousands of teachers are preparing lesson plans, assessment schedules and classroom activities. Students are returning with new notebooks, new expectations and renewed ambitions.

Research conducted across multiple education systems has consistently demonstrated that attendance patterns, reading habits, classroom participation and study routines established during the opening weeks frequently predict long-term academic outcomes.

The reason is simple. Learning is cumulative.

Students who engage actively from the beginning of the year build momentum. Students who disconnect early often spend the remainder of the year attempting to recover lost ground.

This challenge has become more complex in the digital era.

Attention has emerged as one of the most valuable educational resources.

Students today compete not only with academic challenges but also with digital distractions, social media engagement and shrinking attention spans.

As a result, successful schools are increasingly focusing on building learning cultures rather than merely delivering content.

The strongest classrooms are not always those with the most advanced infrastructure. They are often the classrooms where students feel curious, engaged and confident enough to participate.

The first month therefore represents an opportunity.



An opportunity for schools to establish expectations.

An opportunity for teachers to build trust.

An opportunity for students to develop routines that can influence their performance for the remainder of the year.

However, the most important developments taking place inside classrooms during June and July are not visible on report cards. They are habits.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Educational reform is often discussed in terms of policy. But educational success is usually built through daily habits. The future of this academic year will not be decided by a government notification. It will be decided by what happens between a teacher and a student every day.

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FROM ENROLMENT TO ACHIEVEMENT: THE NEXT CHALLENGE FOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Over the past decade, educational discourse in India has largely focused on access. How many students are enrolled? How many schools are functioning? How many classrooms have been built? These questions remain important.

Yet educational systems across the world eventually encounter a more difficult challenge.

What happens after students enter the classroom?

This question is becoming increasingly relevant as Telangana seeks to strengthen foundational learning, improve educational quality and prepare students for a rapidly changing economy.

The modern classroom is expected to perform multiple functions simultaneously.

- It must teach literacy and numeracy.
- Develop communication skills.
- Build critical thinking.
- Encourage creativity.
- Promote emotional well-being.
- And prepare students for careers that may not yet exist.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

The most important educational question of 2026 is no longer whether children are attending school. It is whether schools are helping children reach their potential.

The focus must increasingly shift toward learning outcomes.

Can students read with understanding?

Can they apply concepts?

Can they solve unfamiliar problems?

Can they communicate effectively?

These questions are becoming central indicators of educational success.

The coming academic year will therefore provide an important test.

Not of access.

But of achievement.

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A SEASON OF DECISIONS FOR TELANGANA STUDENTS

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Thousands of students across Telangana are entering a critical transition period.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Opportunities often arrive disguised as difficult decisions.

Meanwhile, supplementary examination results have given many Intermediate students a second opportunity to continue their academic journeys.

The Telangana Board reported a first-year supplementary pass percentage of 68.84%, with girls outperforming boys in both years.

The next few weeks will shape educational pathways for thousands of families.



REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.

— John Dewey

DID YOU KNOW?

Students who read daily for 20 minutes score 35% higher in comprehension than those who do not.

Source: OECD Report 2023

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

THE MOST IMPORTANT SUBJECT THAT IS NOT TAUGHT IN MOST CLASSROOMS

Why Financial Literacy Should Begin Before Students Earn Their First Rupee



By Dr. Supriya Pathak
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When parents send their children to school, they expect them to learn mathematics, science, languages and technology. These subjects are essential.

However, there is another subject that quietly influences almost every aspect of adult life, yet receives remarkably little attention in school education. That subject is financial literacy.

Across the world, millions not educated individuals struggle not because they lack degrees, but because they lack financial understanding. Many professionals earn respectable incomes but remain trapped in cycles of debt, impulsive spending and poor financial planning. The problem is not a lack of intelligence. The problem is that nobody taught them how money works.

FINANCIAL HABITS BEGIN EARLIER THAN MOST PARENTS REALISE

A Class 4 student who learns the difference between needs and wants is already developing financial awareness. A Class 6 student who saves part of a gift amount is learning delayed gratification. A Class 8 student who plans expenses for a school project is learning budgeting. A Class 10 student deciding how to allocate time between studies and entertainment is practising resource management. A Class 12 student evaluating higher-education options is already making financial decisions that could influence future opportunities.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPENDING AND INVESTING

Spending creates immediate satisfaction. Investing creates future value. Purchasing a fashionable item may provide temporary happiness. Purchasing a book, learning a skill or enrolling in a certification programme may create opportunities for years to come. This principle applies not only to money but also to time. Students invest time when they read, practise and develop new skills.

WHAT EVERY STUDENT SHOULD LEARN BEFORE LEAVING SCHOOL

- The difference between needs and wants
- The importance of budgeting
- How savings accounts work
- The concept of compound growth
- Basic investment principles
- Responsible borrowing
- Digital payment safety
- Financial fraud awareness
- Goal-based financial planning
- The relationship between education and earning potential

A MESSAGE FOR PARENTS

Financial education begins at home long before it reaches a classroom. Children observe how adults discuss money. Teaching children about money does not encourage materialism. It encourages accountability.

A MESSAGE FOR SCHOOLS

Financial literacy is not about becoming wealthy. It is about becoming wise. A child who learns how to manage money learns how to manage choices. And ultimately, the quality of our choices determines the quality of our future.

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CAMPUS INTELLIGENCE EXCLUSIVE

THE DEGREE IS NO LONGER ENOUGH

Why Universities Must Prepare Students for a Future That Doesn't Yet Exist

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For generations, obtaining a university degree represented a clear pathway to employment, economic mobility and social advancement. Today, that certainty is disappearing.

Across the world, higher education institutions are confronting a difficult reality. Students are entering a labour market being transformed by artificial intelligence, automation, climate innovation, biotechnology and digital economies.

Many of the jobs today's students will eventually hold have not yet been fully defined.

This presents universities with a profound challenge. Can institutions continue teaching yesterday's skills for tomorrow's careers? The answer is increasingly becoming clear. No.



The future belongs to institutions that develop adaptability rather than memorisation. Employers are placing growing emphasis on communication, critical thinking, leadership, collaboration and problem-solving.

Technical knowledge remains important. However, the ability to learn continuously has become equally valuable.

Universities must therefore evolve from knowledge providers into capability builders.

The purpose of higher education is no longer merely to award degrees. Its purpose is to develop individuals capable of navigating uncertainty.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

The most valuable qualifications of the future may not be a degree. It may be the ability to learn, unlearn and relearn.

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP WATCH

THE NEW ROLE OF VICE-CHANCELLORS

Universities today require leaders who can balance academic excellence, innovation, industry partnerships and student well-being.



- Academic Excellence
- Innovation & Research
- Industry Partnerships
- Student Well-Being
- Institutional Integrity

The modern Vice-Chancellor is not just an administrator, but a visionary who shapes the future of education and society.

ADMISSIONS INSIGHT

CHOOSING A UNIVERSITY IN 2026

Students should evaluate:

- ✓ Faculty quality
- ✓ Research opportunities
- ✓ Industry partnerships
- ✓ Internship ecosystem
- ✓ Alumni outcomes
- ✓ Global collaborations

Not merely rankings.

OSMANIA UNIVERSITY SPECIAL

CAN RESEARCH BECOME TELANGANA'S BIGGEST COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE?

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Osmania University has long served as one of Telangana's most influential academic institutions. Its graduates have contributed to public administration, science, engineering, entrepreneurship, law and public policy.

Yet the next chapter of higher education will require universities to contribute something more. Research.

Around the world, the most successful economies are built not merely on education but on innovation. Innovation begins with research.

Research generates ideas. Ideas create solutions. Solutions create industries. Industries create opportunities.

The universities that thrive in the coming decades will be those that successfully connect research with real-world impact.



This represents a major opportunity for Telangana. The state already possesses strong technology ecosystems, growing startup activity and expanding innovation infrastructure.

Universities can become the bridge connecting knowledge with economic development.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

A university should not merely produce graduates. It should produce ideas capable of transforming society.

BRAOU FEATURE

THE RISE OF LIFELONG LEARNING

Why Open Universities May Become More Important Than Ever Before

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For decades, education followed a predictable sequence. School. College. Employment. Retirement. The future is unlikely to follow that model.

Technological change is accelerating. Industries are evolving. Skills are becoming outdated faster than previous generations experienced. As a result, learning is increasingly becoming a lifelong process rather than a one-time event.



This is where institutions such as Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Open University occupy a unique position. Open and flexible learning systems allow individuals to continue their education while balancing employment, family responsibilities and personal commitments.

This future workforce will require continuous upskilling. The concept of lifelong learning is therefore shifting from an educational preference to an economic necessity.

The most successful professionals of tomorrow may not be those who learned the most during university. They may be those who never stopped learning after university.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

In the knowledge economy, graduation is not the end of education. It is simply the beginning.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The world is not asking students what degree they have. It is asking what problems they can solve.

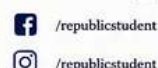
— Republic Student

DID YOU KNOW?

Students who engage in research, internships and skill-building during university are 2.5 times more likely to secure better career opportunities.

Source: NASSCOM 2024 Report

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GLOBAL CLASSROOM

WHEN THE WORLD BECOMES YOUR CAMPUS

Why International Education Is No Longer Limited to Studying Abroad

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For decades, international education meant one thing. Leaving home.

Students aspiring for global exposure typically travelled to the United States, United Kingdom, Australia or Europe.

That model is beginning to evolve.

The arrival of leading international universities into India is changing the educational landscape. Institutions such as the University of New South Wales, University of Bristol, University of York and University of Liverpool have received approvals to establish academic presence in India.

The significance of this development extends beyond infrastructure. It reflects a larger shift in higher education.



Students increasingly seek global learning experiences while remaining connected to local opportunities.

The future university experience may combine international curriculum, digital learning, research collaboration and industry engagement within the same ecosystem.

For Indian students, this represents an expansion of possibilities.

Global education is gradually becoming more accessible.

The question is no longer whether students can access international opportunities.

The question is whether they are prepared to compete for them.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

The future belongs to students who think globally while remaining rooted locally. International exposure is no longer a destination. It is becoming a learning mindset.

CAMBRIDGE LEARNER

THE SKILLS CAMBRIDGE STUDENTS ARE DEVELOPING THAT EVERY LEARNER CAN BENEFIT FROM

Why Curiosity May Become More Valuable Than Memorisation

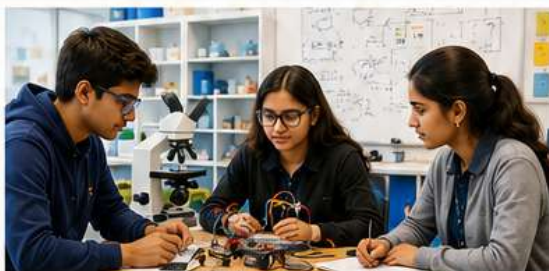
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Educational systems across the world are increasingly recognising a simple truth.

Knowledge changes. Learning skills endure.

The strongest learners are not always those who memorise the most information.

They are often those who know how to ask questions, evaluate evidence and solve unfamiliar problems.



This philosophy is becoming increasingly visible across international curricula.

Project-based learning, inquiry-based learning and interdisciplinary thinking are receiving greater emphasis than traditional rote learning.

The reason is straightforward. Artificial intelligence can retrieve information instantly.

Human value increasingly lies in interpretation, judgement and creativity.

Students entering universities during the next decade will compete in environments where adaptability becomes a competitive advantage.

Schools that cultivate curiosity today are preparing students for careers that may not yet exist.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The future rewards learners who can think, not merely remember.

INTERMEDIATE & EAPCET SPECIAL

AFTER THE RANK: THE DECISIONS THAT SHAPE A CAREER

Why Counselling Matters More Than Many Students Realise

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Every year, thousands of students focus intensely on entrance examinations.

Months of preparation culminate in a single score.

Yet experienced educators often point out that the examination itself is only one part of the journey. The decisions that follow may be equally important.

With counselling and admissions processes approaching across Telangana's higher-education ecosystem, students are entering one of the most significant decision-making periods of their academic lives.



Recent entrance examination cycles including TG ICET and other state-level admissions have now moved into counselling and admission stages.

Many students evaluate colleges primarily through reputation. However, future success depends upon several additional factors:



REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

A rank opens a door. The decisions made after the rank often determine where that door leads.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Global exposure is no longer a destination. It is becoming a learning mindset.

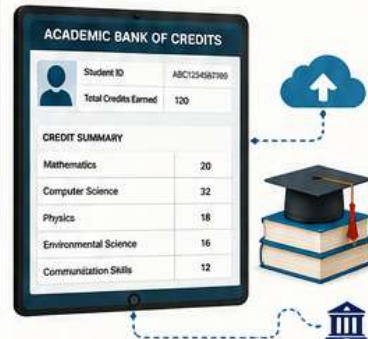
DID YOU KNOW?

Students who participate in research, internships and collaborative projects demonstrate stronger employability outcomes than students relying solely on academic scores.

Source: World Economic Forum - Future of Jobs Report 2025

FUTURE OF CREDENTIALS

Academic Bank of Credits: Building a Portable Academic Identity



Universities across India are accelerating the implementation of Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), enabling digital storage and transfer of academic records and credits. The initiative supports academic mobility and flexibility envisioned under NEP 2020.

GLOBAL EDUCATION FACT



Universities increasingly evaluate portfolios, projects and competencies alongside examination scores.

Source: QS Global Education Report 2024

STUDENT QUESTION OF THE DAY



Should I choose a college based on rankings or opportunities?

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANSWER

Choose the institution that provides the strongest learning ecosystem, not merely the strongest ranking.

QUOTE OF THE DAY



Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.

— John Dewey

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PARENT LENS

TEACHER'S DESK

COUNSELLOR'S DESK

COMMUNITY DESK

PARENT LENS

THE MOST IMPORTANT HOMEWORK
MAY NEVER BE WRITTEN IN A NOTEBOOK

Why Parent Engagement Is Emerging as One of the Strongest Predictors of Student Success

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For decades, educational success was often viewed as the responsibility of schools. Teachers taught. Students studied. Parents monitored results. That model is changing.

Across the world, educational systems are increasingly recognising that student success is influenced not only by what happens inside classrooms but also by what happens inside homes.

This philosophy is gaining institutional support. CBSE's Parenting Calendar for the 2026-27 academic year seeks to strengthen structured parent-school engagement and promote holistic student development.



The significance of this shift extends beyond academic performance. Students who experience constructive parental involvement often demonstrate stronger emotional resilience, better attendance, healthier learning habits and greater confidence.

However, effective parent engagement is frequently misunderstood.

It does not mean constant supervision.

It does not mean academic pressure.

It does not mean comparing children with peers.

The most effective parental involvement often takes simpler forms:

- Listening.
- Encouraging.
- Creating routines.
- Providing emotional security.
- Building trust.

Parents therefore become architects of learning environments long before examination results are published.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The strongest educational partnership is not between a student and a textbook. It is between a student, a parent and a teacher working together.

TEACHER'S DESK

THE FUTURE TEACHER WILL NOT BE
A CONTENT PROVIDER

Why Teaching Is Being Redefined in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For centuries, teachers served as primary sources of knowledge. Today, information is abundant. Artificial intelligence can generate explanations instantly. This transformation is changing the role of educators.

The teacher of the future is unlikely to be valued solely for delivering information. Instead, teachers are becoming mentors, facilitators and learning architects.



Modern teacher-development programmes focus on inquiry-based learning, critical thinking and student-centred pedagogy.

Students do not merely require answers. They require guidance, judgement, context and someone who can help them distinguish information from understanding.

This human dimension of education cannot easily be automated.

The most effective teachers of the future may focus less on instruction and more on inspiration.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Technology can deliver content. Only teachers can build character, confidence and curiosity.

COUNSELLOR'S DESK

WHY STUDENT WELL-BEING HAS
BECOME AN EDUCATIONAL PRIORITY

The Growing Recognition That Mental Health and Learning Are Deeply Connected

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Educational success has traditionally been measured through marks and ranks. Yet educators are increasingly acknowledging a reality that for years: A student cannot learn effectively if they are struggling emotionally.

Recent discussions around a National Mental Health and Well-Being Policy for Schools reflect a growing recognition that student wellness must become an integral component of educational quality. Research indicates rising concerns regarding anxiety, stress, academic pressure, and digital overload among young people.

Mental well-being influences attention, memory, motivation, relationships, decision-making and confidence.

The future of education therefore depends not only on academic excellence but also on emotional resilience.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

A healthy mind is not a luxury within education. It is one of the foundations of learning itself.

KEY WELL-BEING PRIORITIES FOR SCHOOLS



Emotional Literacy



Counselling Support



Positive School Culture



Digital Balance & Safety



Early Help & Intervention

COMMUNITY DESK

MARGADARSHAK: BUILDING
HYDERABAD'S NEXT GENERATION
OF COMMUNITY MENTORS

Beyond Safety, the Initiative Seeks to Build Trust, Support and Social Responsibility

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student



Modern cities face challenges that cannot be solved by police alone. HCSC and Hyderabad City Police launched the Margadarshak Training Programme to build a network of trained community mentors who provide guidance, emotional support and awareness during critical situations—especially related to women's safety, harassment, cyber risks and social vulnerabilities.

Why Students Should Care

Students today face challenges such as cyberbullying, online harassment, digital addiction, mental health pressures and safety concerns. A mentor-driven support ecosystem helps students know where to seek help early and make informed decisions.

HCSC & Police Partnership

HCSC, a public-private partnership, works closely with Hyderabad City Police to promote safety awareness, cyber awareness, women's safety and community participation across the city.

Long-Term Impact

- Stronger student support systems
- Better safety and awareness
- Improved reporting
- Civic leadership
- Safer learning environments

ABOUT HCSC & THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Hyderabad City Security Council (HCSC) is a registered society established as a public-private partnership model to enhance the quality of life through safety, security and awareness initiatives. It collaborates with law enforcement, educational institutions, corporates and communities on issues such as cyber safety, women's safety, emergency response, road safety and youth engagement.

Hyderabad City Police has been at the forefront of community policing in India. Through initiatives like SHE Teams, Bharosa Centres, Cyber Crime Police Station, student outreach programmes and safety workshops, the department works closely with citizens to create a safer and more inclusive Hyderabad.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Safe communities produce confident learners. Confident learners become responsible citizens. Investing in mentors is investing in our future.

PARENT FACT OF THE DAY



Students are more likely to develop consistent learning habits when families establish predictable routines around reading, sleep and study time.

Source: OECD – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Report 2025

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Children are likely to live up to what you believe of them.”

– Lady Bird Johnson

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Great students are shaped not only by great schools, but by great adults, strong communities and supportive environments. Together, we build stronger futures.



TODAY'S PARENT TIP

Spend 20 minutes daily in a distraction-free conversation with your child. It builds trust, improves learning and strengthens emotional well-being.

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THE DEATH OF BOREDOM

Why Constant Stimulation May Be Quietly Changing The Way Students Think

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

A decade ago, boredom was considered a normal part of childhood.

Students waited. Observed. Daydreamed. Thought. Created games. Asked questions. Imagined possibilities.

Today, boredom rarely survives for more than a few seconds. A notification appears. A video starts playing. A screen lights up. A conversation shifts online.

The modern student has access to more stimulation than any previous generation in human history.

At first glance, this appears to be progress. Yet educational psychologists are beginning to ask a different question.

What happens when the brain never experiences silence?



The answer may have profound implications for learning.

Creativity often emerges during moments when the mind is not actively consuming information. Reflection requires mental space. Problem-solving frequently develops when individuals sit with uncertainty rather than immediately searching for answers.

Many students today possess unprecedented access to information.

Yet they have fewer opportunities to sit alone with their thoughts.

This is creating a generation that is highly connected but often mentally crowded.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Boredom is not the absence of learning. Sometimes it is the beginning of thinking.

LEARNING SCIENCE

WHY SOME STUDENTS STUDY FOR HOURS AND REMEMBER VERY LITTLE

The Hidden Difference Between Activity And Learning

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

One of the biggest misconceptions in education is the belief that time automatically produces learning.

Students often measure academic effort in hours. Three hours. Five hours. Eight hours.

However, neuroscience and learning research increasingly suggest that learning quality matters more than learning duration.

Many students spend long periods surrounded by books while simultaneously interacting with phones, social media and multiple digital distractions.

The result is not deep learning. It is fragmented attention.

Educational success increasingly depends upon a student's ability to enter periods of deep concentration where the brain can connect ideas, build memory and strengthen understanding.

The future may therefore reward focused learners more than busy learners.



REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Studying longer does not always create better learners. Studying deeper often does.

PSYCHOLOGY SIMPLIFIED

THE ATTENTION ECONOMY IS COMPETING FOR YOUR BRAIN

Why Students Must Learn To Protect Their Most Valuable Resource

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Most students believe they are competing against examinations. In reality, they are competing against something much larger.

The attention economy.

Around the world, technology companies invest billions of dollars attempting to capture human attention.

- 🔔 Every second, something is designed to pull your focus away.
- ⭐ Every recommendation.
- 🔄 Every endless scroll.
- 📺 Every autoplay feature.
- 📌 Exists for one purpose.

To keep attention engaged.



REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The most successful students of the future may not be those who know the most. They may be those who can protect their attention from the most distractions.

Educational systems therefore face a new challenge.

Students are not merely learning mathematics, science and languages.

They are learning how to defend their focus.

Attention is increasingly recognised as a foundational requirement for reading deeply, solving problems and thinking creatively.

The students who master attention may gain an advantage that extends far beyond classrooms.

BOOK OF THE DAY

The Anxious Generation

How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness



"THE ANXIOUS GENERATION"

Author: Jonathan Haidt

Why Republic Student Recommends It

This book has become one of the most discussed global conversations about childhood, technology, attention, mental health and learning habits.

For students, parents and teachers, it raises an important question:

What happens when screens replace experiences?

A must-read for anyone who wants to understand the new learning and well-being realities of this generation.

STUDY SMARTER

THE 3-2-1 REFLECTION METHOD

After every study session:

- 3 things I learned
- 2 questions I still have
- 1 idea I want to explore further



This simple habit builds reflection, curiosity and deeper understanding rather than rote memorisation.

FACT OF THE DAY



Students who develop a strong sense of belonging in school generally report higher well-being and stronger engagement with learning.

Source: OECD - Student Well-Being Study 2024

QUOTE OF THE DAY

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Concentration is the root of all the higher abilities in man.

— Bruce Lee

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TODAY'S MIND TIP

- Take 10 minutes today for "silent time".
- No phone. No screen. No music.
- Just you and your thoughts.
- Great ideas are often born in silence.

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Attention is the gateway to learning. Protect it. Strengthen it. Master it. It may shape your future more than you imagine.

CAREER TRUTH

TELANGANA SKILLS ECOSYSTEM

FUTURE WORKFORCE

CAREER TRUTH EXCLUSIVE

THE END OF THE
ENTRY-LEVEL JOB?Why Young Professionals Are Facing a
New Challenge in the AI EraBy Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For generations, careers followed a predictable ladder. Graduates entered junior positions, learned through experience and progressed into leadership roles. That ladder is beginning to change.

A recent global analysis of more than one billion job advertisements found that employers increasingly expect entry-level candidates to possess skills that were previously associated with experienced professionals. Leadership, strategic thinking, communication and problem-solving are appearing more frequently in junior job descriptions than ever before.*

This phenomenon represents a fundamental shift. Artificial intelligence is automating many routine tasks that historically helped graduates learn the basics of a profession. As a result, employers seek candidates who can contribute value immediately rather than spending years learning foundational responsibilities.

For students, this creates an uncomfortable but important reality. The future workforce may demand maturity earlier than previous generations experienced.



Employers now expect more. Students must prepare smarter.

WHAT EMPLOYERS NOW EXPECT

- Problem Solving
- Adaptability
- Communication
- Digital Fluency
- Analytical Thinking
- Continuous Learning

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

The biggest challenge facing students may not be finding a job. It may be becoming job-ready sooner than ever before.

* Source: PwC Global Jobs Barometer 2026, Business Insider

FUTURE WORKFORCE

THE RETURN OF THE
TECHNICIANWhy Electricians, Robotics Specialists and
Skilled Trades Are Suddenly Becoming
High-Value CareersBy Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

For decades, many students were encouraged to pursue office-based careers while vocational and technical professions received less attention. That assumption is changing.

Across multiple economies, demand for skilled technicians is rising as industries adopt advanced technologies, automation systems, robotics and AI-powered infrastructure. Reports this week highlighted growing income opportunities for electricians, robotics technicians, HVAC specialists and industrial maintenance professionals supporting AI-enabled systems.

This development challenges a long-standing educational bias. Technology does not eliminate all physical work. Often, it increases demand for highly skilled individuals capable of installing, maintaining and improving complex systems.

The future economy may therefore reward practical expertise more than many students currently realise.



HIGH-DEMAND TECHNICAL ROLES

- Robotics Technicians
- Electricians & Automation Experts
- HVAC & Industrial Technicians
- AI Systems Maintenance
- Mechatronics Specialists

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The careers of tomorrow may not be divided between blue-collar and white-collar. They may belong to those who can combine knowledge with execution.

* Source: Economic Times, June 2026

EMERGING INDUSTRIES WATCH

India's Semiconductor Ambition
Reaches Campuses

New initiatives such as makers labs and semiconductor-focused innovation programmes are encouraging students to participate in India's growing chip-design and electronics ecosystem.

Source: Times of India, 15 June 2026

INTERNSHIP WATCH

NABARD STUDENT
INTERNSHIP SCHEME 2026
OPEN APPLICATIONS

- Exposure to development economics, rural innovation and public policy
- Stipend up to ₹20,000 per month
- Open to UG, PG and Research Students
- Apply Online: www.nabard.org

Source: Times of India, 15 June 2026

FUTURE SKILLS FACT

According to the World Economic Forum Future of Jobs Report 2025, the fastest-growing skills by 2030 include:

- AI Literacy & Big Data
- Analytical & Creative Thinking
- Cybersecurity Awareness
- Technological Literacy
- Systems Thinking

Source: World Economic Forum, Future of Jobs Report 2025

STUDENT QUESTION OF THE DAY

Should I focus on
marks or skills?

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANSWER

Focus on both.
Marks may open the door.
Skills determine what happens
after the door opens.

QUOTE OF THE DAY



The future belongs to
those who can learn
faster than change.

— Republic Student
Editorial Board

TELANGANA SKILLS ECOSYSTEM

APPRENTICESHIPS: INDIA'S MOST UNDERVALUED
CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Why Experience May Become More Valuable Than Certificates Alone

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

One of the most significant workforce reforms underway in India is not receiving the attention it deserves – Apprenticeships.

Policy institutions, industry leaders and government agencies are increasingly advocating stronger apprenticeship ecosystems because they connect learning directly with workplace experience. Recent reports from NITI Aayog and national skilling initiatives have highlighted apprenticeships as a key mechanism for improving employability and addressing skill gaps.



Learn. Practice. Earn. Grow. That's the power of apprenticeships.

BUILD YOUR CAREER THROUGH

- Apprenticeships
- Industry Projects
- Research Participation
- Startup Exposure
- Skill Certifications
- Innovation Challenges

The logic is simple. Students learn faster when theory meets practice. Employers hire more confidently when candidates possess real-world exposure.

Countries with strong apprenticeship cultures often produce smoother transitions from education to employment.

For Telangana students, apprenticeships may become one of the most effective pathways into emerging industries including manufacturing, semiconductors, logistics, green energy and advanced technology.

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Experience is becoming
a form of education.
And education is becoming
a form of experience.

GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE WATCH

National Apprenticeship Promotion
Scheme Gains Momentum

The Government of India continues to promote apprenticeships across sectors with incentives for both employers and students, aiming to create 5 crore apprenticeship opportunities by 2030.

Source: PIB, 14 June 2026

CAMPUS TO CAREER

IIT Bombay Launches
New Industry Collaboration
Programme

The initiative aims to offer students live industry projects, mentorship and early exposure to emerging technologies.

Source: IIT Bombay Official Release, 15 June 2026

GREEN JOBS ALERT

India's Green Hydrogen Mission
Creates New Career Pathways

With new projects announced across states, demand is rising for engineers, researchers and sustainability specialists.

Source: MNRE, 15 June 2026

REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The future is not something that happens to you. It's something you build with skills, attitude and continuous learning.



TODAY'S CAREER TIP

Spend 20 minutes learning one skill today that AI cannot do for you: curiosity, empathy, creativity, or leadership. These are your superpowers.

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THE SCHOLARSHIP REVOLUTION:
WHY THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS ARE
STILL LEAVING MONEY ON THE TABLE

Financial Assistance Exists.
Awareness Remains
the Biggest Challenge.

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

Every year, thousands of deserving students discontinue educational opportunities not because they lack talent, but because they lack financial support.

Paradoxically, hundreds of scholarship programmes, fellowships and financial-assistance schemes remain underutilised because students never learn about them.

The National Scholarship Portal has opened application for the 2026-27 academic year, enabling eligible students to apply for merit-based and welfare-based scholarship schemes through a unified platform.

Simultaneously, universities and institutions across India continue to announce fellowships, student assistance schemes and financial-support programmes aimed at reducing barriers to higher education. The University of Hyderabad has ongoing scholarship, fellowship and financial-assistance initiatives for eligible students.

The challenge is no longer the absence of scholarships. The challenge is awareness.

Students frequently spend months preparing for examinations but only a few minutes researching financial opportunities that could significantly reduce educational costs.



WHERE TO LOOK?

- National Scholarship Portal (scholarships.gov.in)
- University Scholarship Portals (Check your university website)
- State Scholarship Portals (Telangana, Andhra Pradesh etc.)
- Private Foundations & Trusts
- Corporate Scholarships

REPUBLIC STUDENT ANALYSIS

Scholarships do not reward only intelligence. They reward students who actively search for opportunities. The future often belongs to informed learners.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT OF THE DAY

INDIA'S NEXT GENERATION OF
INNOVATORS IS ALREADY ARRIVING

Why Student Innovation Is Becoming
a National Asset

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

A quiet transformation is taking place across India. Students are no longer participating only in examinations. They are participating in innovation.

Competitions, research programmes, startup challenges and young innovator platforms are increasingly encouraging school students to develop solutions for real-world problems.

Several national initiatives have recently expanded opportunities for students from Classes 8-12 to showcase innovation, creativity and problem-solving abilities.

This shift is significant. For decades, educational success was measured primarily through academic performance. Today, innovation itself is becoming a measurable outcome.

Students are building prototypes. Creating applications. Designing sustainability solutions. Developing scientific models. And participating in research ecosystems once reserved for universities.



REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

The next great Indian innovation may already exist inside a school classroom. Someone simply needs to believe in it.

YOUNG INDIA SPECIAL

FROM CLASSROOMS TO
NATIONAL MISSIONS

Why Students Must Begin Thinking
Beyond Examinations

By Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

One of the most important educational shifts taking place across the world is the growing connection between education and national development.

Students increasingly have opportunities to participate in research, innovation, sustainability, technology and entrepreneurship ecosystems.

Recent initiatives focusing on deep technology, innovation and startup collaboration demonstrate how governments and institutions are encouraging young talent to contribute to national growth and future industries.

The message is clear. Students are no longer preparing only for jobs. They are preparing to solve national and global challenges.

AREAS WHERE STUDENTS
CAN MAKE AN IMPACT

- ✓ Climate Change & Environment
- ✓ Public Health & Well-being
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence & Ethics
- ✓ Food Security & Agriculture
- ✓ Energy Transitions
- ✓ Technology for Social Good

OPPORTUNITY WATCH



DRDO INTERNSHIP 2026

A new DRDO internship programme is offering engineering and science students opportunities to gain exposure to research and defence technologies.

- Paid internships for undergraduate & postgraduate students
- Research areas: Defence tech, aerospace, materials, electronics
- Last date to apply: 1 July 2026

NABARD STUDENT
INTERNSHIP SCHEME

Eligible postgraduate and integrated-course students can apply for the NABARD Student Internship Scheme.

- Exposure to rural development, agriculture & public policy
- Stipend up to ₹20,000 per month
- Apply online through official portal

NCST INTERNSHIP
PROGRAMME 2026

The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes has opened registrations for its Internship Programme 2026.

- Stipend of ₹15,000 per month
- Exposure to governance, policy making & public systems
- Last date to apply: 18 June 2026

PUBLIC HEALTH
OPPORTUNITY

IIT Kharagpur and IIPH Delhi have extended applications for their interdisciplinary Master of Public Health (MPH) programme.

- Combines health, technology and data sciences
- For graduates in science, engineering, medicine & social sciences
- Extended last date to apply: 30 June 2026

COMING IN NEXT EDITION

CIVIC SENSE IN AIRPORTS

Why Responsible Behaviour Makes Travel Better For Everyone

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REPUBLIC STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Education is not only about building careers. It is also about building a country.

VOICES & INSPIRATION



YOUNG ACHIEVER

Pranav K.
Class 11, Bengaluru

Won the National Level Robotics Challenge 2026 with his team's project on AI-based waste sorting robot.

"We didn't have expensive resource. We had curiosity and consistency."



RISING STAR

Aaradhy Sharma
Class 10, Jaipur

National Finalist in the Young Innovators Challenge 2026 for her project on water purification using sustainable materials.

"Innovation begins when we notice a problem around us."



TEACHER IMPACT

Mr. Ramesh Gupta
Govt. School Teacher, Warangal

Introduced a school innovation lab with low-cost materials. Now 25+ students are working on real-world projects.

"When students are given space, they surprise everyone."

YOUR ACTION PLAN



Spend 15 minutes each week researching scholarships.



Build one skill that makes you future-ready.



Participate in at least one competition or challenge.



Apply for internships and exposure programmes.



Stay curious. Keep asking questions.

REPUBLIC STUDENT FINAL EDITORIAL

THE QUESTION THAT MATTERS

As this edition comes to a close, students should ask themselves one question:

“Am I waiting for opportunities,
or am I searching for them?”

The difference between successful students and unsuccessful students is often smaller than society imagines.

- ✓ One applies.
- ✓ One competes.
- ✓ One participates.
- ✓ One keeps learning.

↳ Success rarely arrives by accident. It is usually built through consistent action.



LEARN
ADAPT
CREATE
CONTRIBUTE
LEAD

June 16, 2026 Editorial Closing

"Your future is not hidden in tomorrow.
It is hidden in what you choose to do today."

— Mohammed Ismail
Chief Editor, Republic Student

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