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Practicum Essay Abstract

What Lies Within The Educational Community

Transitioning from school to school through life involves important choices for every student, and will leave lasting impacts on a student's life. But what makes these decisions for choosing an appropriate school so difficult, and what can a school do to appeal to these prospective students? These are the types of themes and ideas I will look at. To put it briefly, community encompasses most of the appeal and requirements that a student may look for in selecting an educational institution. However, community as I am describing varies differently from its traditional understanding. Important works by authors such as Topf, Frazier-Maiwald and Krovetz, Ivan Illich, Jon Gray, George Betts, Plato etc., will prove beneficial and enlightening on the subject of community within the academic institution. If anything the understanding of community as an encompassing idea for a number of traits that appeal to prospective students will become evident. Furthermore, community as an important factor in learning as well as humanity will be evident through the arguments presented. Students and teachers roles and importance are weighed and discussed, and the significance of community in education will be discovered.