

“change is the end  
result of all true  
learning”

-Leo Buscaglia

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# GENDER EQUALITY

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Gender equality is a fundamental human right. It's also the cornerstone of a modern democratic society. In Today's society we are as equal as we've ever been but there's still a lot that has to be done. To achieve equality between all genders it's imperative that everyone acknowledges the issue and take action towards a more equal future. This must be done on all the stages of society but to change the future you must educate the citizens of the future. Our children will be the leaders of tomorrow therefore it is our responsibility as parents, role models, influencers and especially teachers to teach them good values.



IN BOTH PORTUGAL AND SWEDEN IT IS MANDATORY TO ATTEND SCHOOL UNTIL A CERTAIN AGE. IN PORTUGAL THERE IS 2,9% OF MEN AND 7,5% OF WOMEN THAT'S NEVER STUDIED IN SCHOOL AT ALL. THAT CORRESPONDS TO 478,3 THOUSAND PEOPLE IN TOTAL.

IN 2020, OUT OF A 100 PEOPLE WITH UNIVERSITY STUDIES, 61 WERE WOMEN AND 39 WERE MEN.

SOCIAL CODES FOR GENDERS AFFECT THE DECISIONS YOU MAKE REGARDING STUDIES. THIS CONTRIBUTES TO GENDER SEGREGATION IN THE LABOR MARKET AND UNEQUAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

ACCORDING TO THE SWEDISH SCHOOL LAW AND THE CURRICULUM, GENDER EQUALITY NOT ONLY SHOULD INFLUENCE BUT BE A FUNDAMENTAL ASPECT IN ALL EDUCATION AND ACTIVITY IN THE SWEDISH SCHOOL SYSTEM. IN PORTUGAL, STUDENTS HAVE A SUBJECT IN THEIR CURRICULUM CALLED CITIZENSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT WHERE THEY LEARN ABOUT SOCIETY ISSUES AND ONE OF THEM IS GENDER EQUALITY.



The school in Sweden is supposed to be equal and no special treatment is allowed independent on you being a boy or a girl.

When moving heavy things don't ask only the boys but include the girls in the process as well.

Don't pressure girls to be artsy in class and boys to be football players before knowing what they want.

Don't divide the toys assuming that girls are going to play with kitchen supplies and boys with house tools.

Don't assume that girls are smart and responsible while boys are messy and talkative.

Teachers should take a gender perspective in the subjects they teach.