

Having a highly-skilled and well-educated workforce is the key to maintaining the United States' economic strength in this increasingly global economy. Therefore, our nation must make a good education accessible to all Americans.

For starters, we must sincerely make a sincere commitment to our nation's schools and their students. While increasing the standards of accountability for states, school districts, and schools is vital to the success to our nation's education system, we also must allocate appropriate resources to our schools. At the same time, we must put more emphasis on lowering drop-out rates; to be successful our young people must stay in school.

Furthermore, we need to make college more affordable for average Americans. This means cutting the costs of student loans and making more grants and scholarships available to those who need them. I am committed to removing barriers that keep millions of young Americans from attaining a higher education.

We must make a strong and serious commitment to education in America. It is the key to maintaining a strong and competitive workforce in the ever growing global economy. By investing in education, we will make sure our country is on track for success in the future.