

## Newspapers in Education Reasons and Goals 2025

Newspapers in Education is a resource that is reliably available through the local newspaper, with learning resources for students, whether in school or virtual learning is occurring. NIE features are designed to make reading newspapers a fun and beneficial learning experience. Research shows that Newspapers in Education programs make a difference in test scores and in future reading habits, which is very important to our industry. With so many news outlets at their fingertips, it is vital that students learn the value of newspapers and the integrity of journalists. They need to become educated media consumers.

The goal of Newspapers in Education is to put young people in contact with a newspaper to create a generation of critical readers, engaged citizens and consumers. These living textbooks provide authentic learning resources that reinforce concepts taught in the classroom. The informational text in newspaper articles encourages students to develop comprehension and analytical skills by discerning what information is most important for understanding the issues. Local newspapers create civic awareness by introducing children to their community. Math, science, geography, language arts, vocabulary and many more subjects may be learned by using newspapers.

After use in the classroom, teachers are encouraged to send the newspapers home so that the learning may continue. Sharing the newspaper with family will spark discussions on what was learned from it at school and offering the opportunity for parents and children to read the newspaper together.

The Missouri Press Foundation supports Newspapers in Education by providing free serial stories, with teaching guides, and educational features on a wide variety of topics.

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