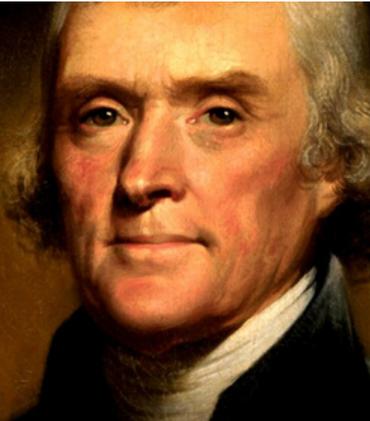




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To penetrate and dissipate these clouds of darkness, the general mind must be strengthened by education.

Thomas Jefferson



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### **MAYOR PETE'S ROAD PLAN FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

Pete Buttigieg outlined his plan to address college affordability as a part of his economic agenda for American families that also calls for lowering costs for housing, health care, and child care and pre-K education. His plan—adding to the list of candidates with plans to lower the cost of college—takes a different and nuanced approach to college affordability compared to some of his counterparts running for the Democratic nomination. Buttigieg takes a middle of the road approach to the cost of college, somewhere between Joe Biden and Elizabeth Warren. Biden would provide tuition-free community college to all students and Warren would make all public community colleges, technical schools, and colleges and universities tuition-free. **Source: Forbes**

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## TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION RANKS MIT NO. 1 UNIVERSITY WORLDWIDE

For the second year in a row, MIT has achieved the top ranking globally for the Business and Economics subject category in the 2020 Times Higher Education World University Rankings. MIT has also been ranked No. 1 in the world for the Social Science fields for 2020 by Times Higher Education (THE), a leading British education magazine. At MIT, business and economic studies are housed in the Department of Economics, within the MIT School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (SHASS) and in the MIT Sloan School of Management. Using a set of 13 rigorous performance indicators, THE compiles and publishes its annual World University Rankings. These rankings evaluate schools as a whole and within individual fields. **Source: MIT News**

## EDUCATION GURU CHRIS WHITTLE TRIES A COMEBACK

At 72 years old, Mr. Whittle is known for marketing prowess, bold visions and major setbacks in his quest to build educational empires. He says he has raised more than \$1 billion for Whittle School, including funds from investors and real-estate expenses borne by firms that construct and own its campuses. Its first sites started operating this fall in Washington, D.C., and Shenzhen, China. The Brooklyn venue, to open next fall, will be the third. Mr. Whittle, a former publisher of Esquire magazine, co-founded Edison Schools, a company that aimed to bring private-sector efficiencies to managing taxpayer-funded schools in the 1990s. Whittle School plans capacity for 90,000 students in 15 countries, with much of its leadership from China, India and the U.S. **Source: The Wall Street Journal**



## DUBAI EXPO 2020 LAUNCHES ONLINE SYSTEM FOR EDUCATIONAL TOURS

Schools across the UAE can now sign up their students to explore a world of possibilities at Expo 2020 Dubai, with the launch of an online dedicated booking system for a series of specially designed education tours. Four unique itineraries, curated by the Expo School Programme, will complement educational curriculums and can now be reserved through the recently-launched digital booking system. The system was unveiled earlier this week at a three-day Expo School Leaders Forum, attended by Reem Al Hashimy, UAE Minister of State for International Cooperation and Director General of Expo 2020 Dubai, and Jameela Bint Salem Mesbeh Al Muhairi, Minister of State for Public Education. The forum invited public and private school leadership, as well as government entities and officials, to discuss how schools can make the most of the exciting educational opportunities on offer at the World's Greatest Show, running between 20 October 2020 and 10 April 2021. **Source: Khaleej Times**

**Believe in yourself  
and all that you are.  
Know that there is  
something inside  
you that is greater  
than any obstacle.**

Christian D. Larson

#### ASK THE EXPERT

Hi,

**How do I convince my parents that I want to study Art not Engineering** - Sneha Gupta

Hi Sneha,

I feel you. Even I had the same trouble when I wanted to convince my parents that I wanted to pursue Literature instead of Medicine. Every parent is highly anxious about their kids future, hence if you really wish to convince them regarding your plans you have to make sure that you have researched everything properly before you present your plan to them. It is important that you yourself are sure of your plan and the path you wish to follow to accomplish your goal. Talk to the people working in the same domain and understand the growth and risks involved in sector which you wish to get into. Make connections and get professional advice. These professional words and success stories will help you make them realize your seriousness. You can even try getting a scholarship in the university you wish to study as it support you in your endeavor.

I understand convincing can be difficult but once they realize that your happiness lies in what you have chosen for yourself they will definitely support in whatever you do. So, go ahead and have that conversation.

This specific corner has been introduced for those who seek advice on education and related matters. If you have a doubt please feel free to submit your questions to [aimri@ariesgroup.ae](mailto:aimri@ariesgroup.ae)