

Today's 12-year-old will be 27 in the year 2000, just entering his or her prime years. For this student, the 21st century has already arrived. The challenge for today's educators is to meet the demands of students who will be faced with ever-increasing and complex global challenges.

Educators must lead the way, but it is up to all of us to break from the bonds of contradiction and inequity that characterize the world around us. We must recognise that in the nuclear age we have to resolve these questions and restore a global balance of security and justice or risk the destruction of ourselves and our planet for all time. Education today demands the preparation of students for a world of common interests.