

[Alarming School Dropout Rate Blamed on Teaching Methods](#)

June 30th, 2010, Beijing (IPS) - In Chinese education, the examination is paramount. Students must memorise vast amounts of information to pass major tests, and their futures can depend on the results. The biggest determining factor in who attends elite universities and who does not is the 'gaokao', the gruelling entrance exam.

[Football Referee School Offers Way Out of Poverty](#)

9th June, 2010, Buenos Aires - A new school to train football referees to work amateur-level tournaments in Argentina aims at providing skills and a legitimate source of income for young people from poor homes.

[Universal Education an Empty Promise for Liberia's Girls](#)

26th May 2010, Monrovia - In a small office tucked behind the stairwell in Liberia's Ministry of Education, the once-proud staff of the Girls' Education Unit appear defeated.

[Free primary school becomes a reality in Swaziland](#)

14th May 2010, Swaziland – At sundown, Thulani Gama tells his 10-year-old twin siblings to collect firewood while he grinds corn for their supper. At sunrise, he wakes the twins and tells them to wash. Without breakfast, all three children begin their hour-long walk to school in rural Swaziland.

[WHO supports campaign to make schools and hospitals safer](#)

9th April, 2010, Manila/Geneva - The World Health Organization is pledging its support to the One Million Safe Schools and Hospitals Campaign launched yesterday in Manila. The goal of the new United Nations' global campaign is to protect health and educational facilities, and the millions of people who rely on them for healthcare and learning, from emergencies.

[Our goal – education and a better life](#)

12th March 2010 - Today, many parents will be putting their children on to buses, cars or bikes and seeing them on their way to school. Sadly for the parents of 72 million children around the world, they do not have this choice.

[In Bangladesh, a stipend makes all the difference](#)

2010, - For people trapped in poverty, a small aid payment can open the doors to education...

[An Education Stimulus for the Developing World](#)

June 23, 2009 - Lost in the recent debate in US Congress over expanded funding for the International Monetary Fund (IMF), was the key question of how that money should best be spent in order to promote a global economic recovery...

[Education vital for achieving other anti-poverty targets, Ban stresses](#)

25th September 2008 – Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon today highlighted the key role of education for reaching the globally agreed set of eight targets for slashing poverty, illiteracy and other socio-economic ills by 2015, known as the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)...

