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Education system

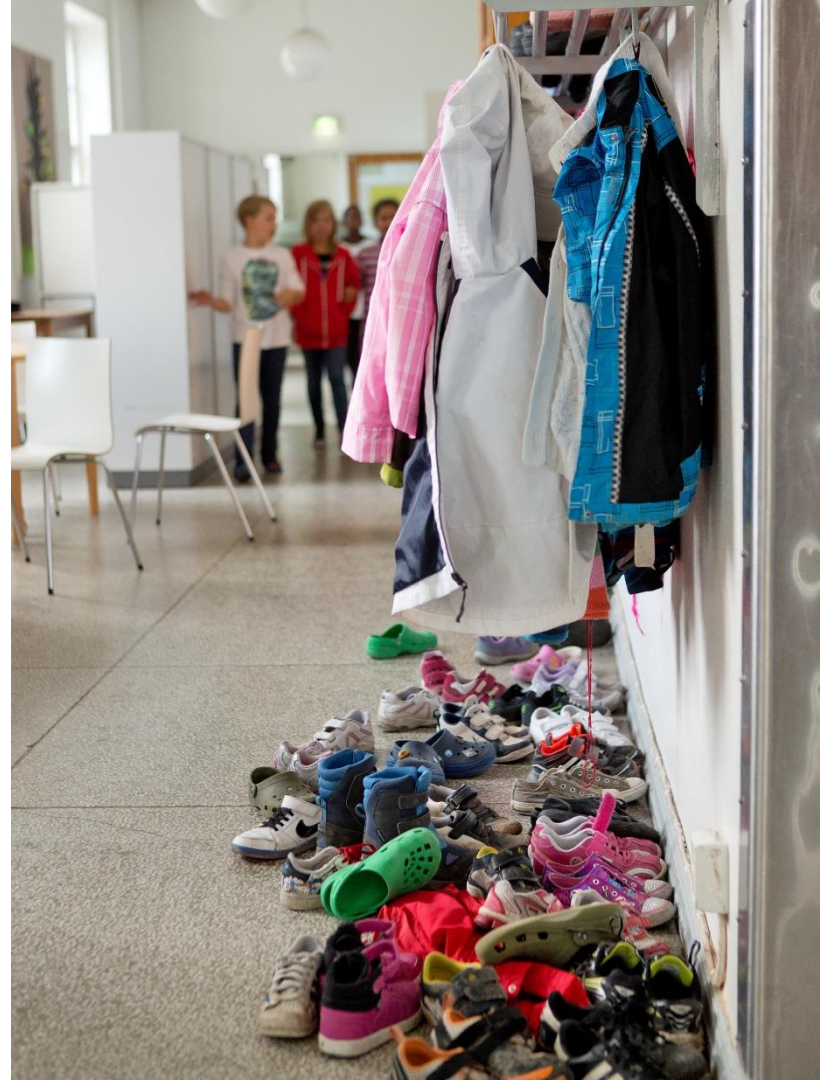
The Finnish education system has been built on the belief that a nation can only fulfill its human and economic potential if every citizen has an equal opportunity to fulfill their personal potential.





World famous education

Today, the Finnish education system is world famous, and Finland consistently ranks at or near the top in international comparisons of students' academic results.



Finnish education has been
ranked second best in the world.

(Legatum Prosperity Index, 2023)





Happiest country

Finland – in six consecutive years ranked the happiest nation in the world – is one of the few countries in the world to combine high educational achievement with high life satisfaction.





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Highly educated and motivated workforce
is the backbone of the Finnish economy.




Education for all

All education from preschool to universities is free of charge for Finnish and EU citizens.

Institutions of adult education as well as informal programs and online courses promote the important principle of lifelong learning.





In Finland, the participation rate
in adult education and training ranks
as second in the EU.

(Eurostat 2021)



Autonomous teachers

Teachers are highly respected in Finland. All teachers are university-educated.

Teachers also work independently and have significant autonomy to choose teaching methods, study materials, and many other matters.






Student-centred approach

Finnish pupils spend less time in classrooms than most of their counterparts around the world.

In basic education, the average class size is 20 students.





While new technologies can benefit learning in many ways, it is recognised that they need to be used in a pedagogically meaningful way to be effective.



Equal opportunities

Regional and socioeconomic differences in learning outcomes are very modest. The Finnish system is based on providing every child with a neighborhood school that is just as good as any other school in the country.





Joy of learning

Schooldays are relatively short, and there is no standardised testing.

Finnish schools focus on creating a motivating environment in the classroom, support for those who need it, and on a holistic perspective on children's well-being.





High academic performance and high life satisfaction

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Finland has consistently ranked high on the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), a comparison testing the skills and knowledge of 15-year-old students in different countries.

Finnish students are also placed high in the assessment of life satisfaction, making Finland the only country in the PISA study combining high academic performance with high life satisfaction.



One of the factors behind Finland's PISA results is the fact that low-achieving students perform better than in most other countries.



Investing in education

Finland is investing in its universities and other institutions of higher learning.

By 2030, Finland plans to invest 4% of its GDP in Research and Development.





Skills for the future

Finland's strengths lie in excellent, relatively equal learning outcomes, a high education level, a healthy work-life balance, and flexibility of the education system, making it possible to rapidly adapt to new technologies.





Evolving education system

As the world changes, educational systems must evolve to continue providing citizens with the skills needed in the future.

Embedded in Finnish culture are an open-mindedness for science and technology and a commitment to knowledge-based growth and prosperity.





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Just like in the 1800s, the best way to achieve sustainable economic growth and well-being in the future is to mobilise everyone's competence and talents.

