Why the school system needs to change  
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There are so many things our school system needs to fix. This article is going to be discussing some of the ways certain school systems outdated resulting in students being shortchanged.

Albert Einstein once said: Everyone's a genius but if judge a fish on its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." Education system, can I ask you a question? are you proud of the changes you have not made in the school system turning millions of people into robots? Do you find that fun? Well, the time has come; no more excuses. School is killing our creativity, individuality and creating inequality. In a YouTube video Prince showed how phones, cars, and schools have changed over the past 100 years. Both cars and phones have had drastic changes, but when it came to schools, hardly any changes have been made. Literary over a century, nothing has changed. Yet school claims to prepare us for the future.

According to an article from Newsela why students suffer from anxiety stated every scientist will tell you no two brains are the same, and every parent with two or more children will confirm that claim. So school, please explain why you treat students like cookie cutter frames, or snap back. CNN stated that if a doctor prescribed the exact same medicine to all of his patients, the results would be tragic; so many people would get sick. This educational malpractice where one teacher stands in front of 20 children, and each one having different strengths, different needs, different gifts, and different dreams. Yet, you still teach the same thing the same way.

Teachers have the most important job on the planet, yet they are underpaid. No wonder so many students are shortchanged. You see teachers are heroes that often get shamed, when the districts are ones to be blamed. They work in a system without many options or rights over curriculums that are created by policy makers where most of them have not taught a day in their life. Just obsessed with standardized tests they think bubbling in a multiple-choice question will determine success.

That's outlandish, in fact these tests are outdated and should be abandoned. But don't take my word for it. Take Fredrick J. Keely, a man who invented standardized testing, who said and I quote, "These tests are too crude to be used and should be abandoned." We continue down this road; the results will be literal. I
don't have much faith in school but I do have faith in people. And if we can customize health care, cars, and Facebook pages, then it is our duty to do the same for education, to upgrade. Sure, math is important, but no more than art or dance, let's give every gift an equal chance. I know this sounds like a dream, but countries like Finland are doing impressive things. They have shorter days, teachers make decent wage, homework is non-existent, and they focus on collaboration instead of competition.

While us students make up 20% of the U.S population, we are 100% of the future. There's no telling what we can achieve. Let’s change the system and create a world, where fish are no longer is forced to climb a tree.