

CHAPTER 4

EDUCATION

“Since all men are created equal, then education is the great equalizer.” Richard Lyons Weil



FREE EDUCATION FROM
BIRTH TO DEATH

Historically, the success of America was built upon its unparalleled educational system, with major funding by the federal government. In 1980 when Ronald Reagan became president, he introduced economic policies which consisted of massive tax cuts for the wealthy and decreased spending on education and other social services. The net result has been widespread underfunding for education, as well as other social services.

Further compromising our ability to fund social services is America's investment in the Iraq and Afghanistan war, which funneled trillions of dollars away from vital domestic needs. Then, with the great recession of 2008, funding for education was cut even more by both the state and federal governments. The result was inadequate education for our children.

If we can spend trillions of dollars of taxpayer's money on unnecessary wars, then we are obviously able to pay off all student loans and properly educate all of our citizens at no cost to them. Education would be the highest priority in my administration.

Accordingly, I will provide massive levels of spending to insure that all Americans receive an education or a trade. I propose the following:

- 1) All teachers will receive salaries of \$200,000.
- 2) Mandatory early childhood education.
- 3) Capital expenditures to build new schools (state of the art) particularly in our inner cities.
- 4) Free college for all citizens.
- 5) Pay off all existing student loans.
- 6) Institute a plan to make a second language mandatory in schools.

Today, America is the richest it has ever been. The payback to society for these investments in education is a “tried and true” means to ensure prosperity for all Americans.

