

But I would remind you that whatever the expense, it has been demonstrated in the lives of thousands of dedicated young people, that those with clean minds, willing hands, and a persevering spirit, can secure the necessary preparation if they so desire. And no young person should give up without seriously attempting and seeking to obtain a college education today. They should not give up until they have exhausted every possible resource.

Young people have at least three great choices in life to make.

Martin Luther King
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Mr. Hughes:

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THE OPENING OF SCHOOL

Introduction

Most of you young folks will be entering school this week, but if not then very soon I am sure. A common usage of the (word commencement) signifies the ending of the school year, but the day when schools open is the real commencement day. At the close of the school year we may have regrets, for failures or neglected opportunities. But at the opening of school we may look forward with confidence and hope. The profit of a successful year is surely more inspiring than the history of a course which may have brought cause for a disappointment. (I congratulate your young) men and women for the opportunity you now have to start again. You know going to school is getting ready for life, for a successful life. You may have read of what a great (French General) once said at the beginning of the first World War. His remarks were this, "Battles are won the day before." The (Duke of Wellington) once said, "Waterloo was won at Eton." Yes the day before preparation is what we all need, and that is what our schools are for,

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