

We've Redefined Education Before to Meet the Changing Needs of Our Economy



In the early 1900s, when the Land Grant Permanent Fund was established, very few children attended school *beyond the 8th grade!*

Back then, our economy was based largely on agriculture.

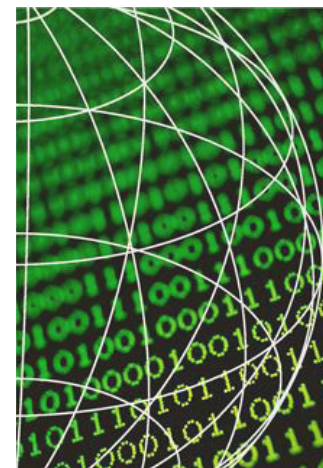


In the 1940s, high school attendance became much more common.

The jobs in our economy had become more complex.

It's Time to Redefine Education Again

We now compete in a *high-tech, global economy* based on information technology.



We need to prepare our children for 21st century jobs.

Modern science tells us that 85 percent of the brain's development occurs during the first four years of life.

Our youngest kids need access to the kinds of *early care and education programs*, like pre-k, that are proven to give them the best chance at success in school.

Learning begins at birth—so should our investment in education.

