However, higher education costs have been rising dramatically throughout the years leaving people in the United States to wonder if higher education is really worth the cost or not. According to the IES National Center for Education Statistics the average cost of tuition in current dollars at all universities in the 1990-91 school year was $6,562, it nearly tripled to an average cost of $17,143 by the 2008-09 school year. [1] These statistics leave many questions in people's minds and the biggest question is, if getting a diploma is actually …show more

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community’s civic interests through direct participation. Moreover, high quality education enables us to lead a successful life, enhances our intelligence, skills, knowledge, and brings positive changes in our life. Education lays the foundation stone for our future. An illiterate person can find it very difficult to cope with some aspects of life. Education expands our vision and creates awareness. It helps us develop a disciplined life and provides us with better earning opportunities. Education is definitely important in one’s life. A gift of knowledge can bring us to the top of our dreams. It leads us to the right path and gives us a chance to have a wonderful life. Education makes people capable of doing new interesting things that can go a long way to improving human living conditions and standards.