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Revised proposal

1. The States Parties to the present Convention shall guarantee to every child compulsory and cost-free education, at least at an elementary school level, designed to assist the child to develop his or her talents and abilities to their fullest potential, and to prepare the child for future life.
2. The States Parties to the present Convention shall develop various forms of secondary, general and vocational education, with a view to introducing at this level of cost-free education, so as to enable every child to develop his or her talents and interests on a basis of equal opportunity.
3. States Parties shall ensure that school discipline is administered in a manner reflective of the child's human dignity. Methods which are either physically or mentally cruel or degrading shall be prohibited.