HOW WE CAN ALL MAKE A DIFFERENCE

No kids without education

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Children

Children can have an impact on their own rights just as much, if not more than, adults. These days, children are becoming active in their own communities and all around the world. So you can help make sure that you, and other children like you, get to go to school, whether or not you work. Here are some ideas to help teach other people in your community (both kids and adults) about inclusive education and why all kids deserve to go to school.

Start an awareness campaign on inclusive education at home

- Make posters and place them throughout your school and community.
- Ask your teacher to teach a class on children's rights and inclusive education (one for kids and one for parents).
- Perform a play about a child who works and is able to go to school.
- Hold a kid-run meeting for parents, teachers, and kids to discuss the importance of education (especially for kids who work).
- Make a brochure on why every child needs to go to school.
- Respect the diversity of your fellow classmates.

Contact local organisations

- Ask your teacher to help you write letters to local organisations who work with children and ask them to help you get your message heard.
- Request that NGOs help you learn more about your rights and how to defend them.

Contact your Ombudsperson

- Ask your ombudsperson or child defender for information on your rights or inform them of violations of your rights, and if you don't know who they are – ask!
- Denounce any violations of your rights to your ombudsperson.

Contact your government

- Express your needs and propose some changes in your school or community.
- Write letters to government officials asking that all kids be able to attend school.
- Draw pictures of children working or children in school and send them to the Ministry of Education.

Contact kids abroad

- Start writing letters to schools in a foreign country to exchange information about your cultures and schools.
- If kids in your community have to work, share your stories with kids abroad (or draw pictures of yourself) so that kids living in another part of the world can learn about your life.

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