

# **9-YEAR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES, A POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE TO EDUCATION FOR RURAL AREAS CHILDREN IN ALBANIA**

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## **Abstract**

In today's Albanian rural area conditions, school distance from habitation, difficult mountain or hill terrain and humid climate, with strong winds and extreme temperature are serious obstacles for proper school frequentation. Beside institutional projects of government or foreign donors we think that a possible alternative can be 9-year junior high schools with campuses, where pupils will learn not only book knowledge but also practical knowledge on city life, artistic halls and sport grounds. The establishment of such campuses in rural areas is not only in the framework of wide pedagogical requirements and standards that can bring in the multiple and stable upbringing of board pupils but also guaranteeing a complete and accurate frequentation. However good a pupil may be to learn "grammar" and "math" will never learn appropriately a citizen's norm in family surroundings, as it can be learned and lived in campus. Besides these aspects, board pupils will learn much more on self-service for the time ahead in life stages on hygiene, cooking, dressing appropriately and other "small" stuff that complete the big and practical life picture of the human being. By having these boarding pupils in campuses in a complete 24/7 cycle, their parents are more freed regarding obligations to their kids. In this way they have more time for a lot of other farm activities, thus working on adding more products and revenues for their family and raising life standard.

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