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Students in integrated schools:

- Benefit from a higher level of parental involvement
- Graduate at higher rates
- Complete more years of education
- Earn higher degrees and major in more varied disciplines
- Gain greater access to professional jobs
- Earn higher incomes, even when controlling for a number of other background characteristics.

Source: Kirwan Institute

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Because students of different races and ethnic backgrounds often bring different **cultural knowledge** and social perspectives into schools, classrooms with **racially diverse** groups of students are more likely to enhance critical thinking by exposing students to new information and **understandings**.

Source: Teaching Tolerance, A Project of the Southern Poverty Law Center

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96 percent of major employers say it is important that employees be ‘comfortable working with colleagues, customers, and/or clients from diverse cultural backgrounds.’

Source: The Century Foundation

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How diversity can make a difference

For years, scholars in the fields of education and civil rights have studied diversity and its effects on students. Until the Civil Rights movement, many American school districts were segregated. Over time, through hard work and research, our leaders came to realize that diversity in schools was vitally important for education and society as a whole.

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Study after study found that students who learn among a diverse group of classmates reap benefits, including higher scores on standardized tests, better preparation for the work place, and, importantly, becoming the global citizens that our world requires.

Tucson Unified School District, which is integrated as a whole, has been working to integrate its schools for decades. For over 30 years, the District has been under federal court oversight. In February 2013, the federal court adopted the Unitary Status Plan (USP) aimed at guiding TUSD...
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