

WHAT WE OFFER THE COMMUNITY

Global Resource Directory

ASDE has a Resource directory filled with Communities, centers and cooperatives around the world

Community + Connection

ASDE has a regular support zoom calls and events through our Community Discord as well as partnership with other communities

Advocacy and Awareness

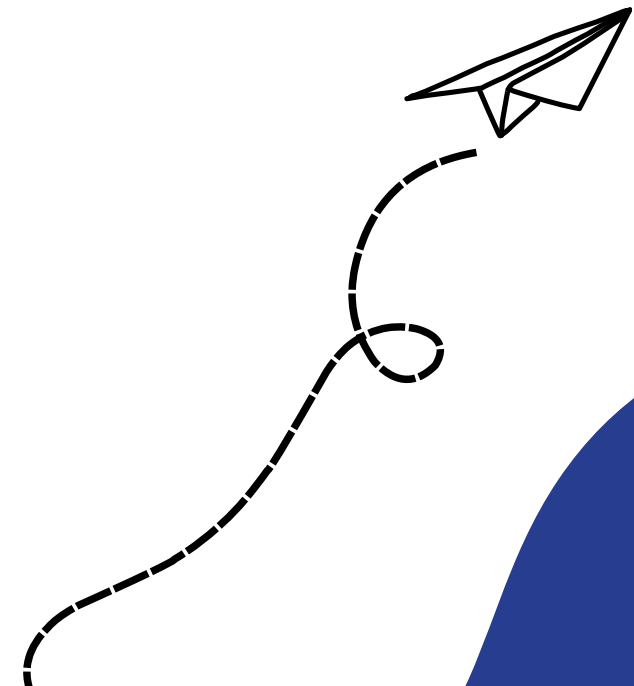
ASDE regularly publishes content in our Magazine, Tipping Points, has organizers and board members from various countries and is seeking more opportunities to share this movement in more publications and mainstream outlets



The Alliance for Self-Directed Education (ASDE) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to increasing accessibility and awareness of Self-Directed Education as a way of living and learning, and *connecting the communities and voices of the movement.*

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What is DESCHOOLING?

“shedding your programming and habits that resulted from other people's agency over your time, body, thoughts, or actions.”

-*Akilah J. Richards*

- SDE and Deschooling Reading List
- Raising Free People
Akilah S. Richards
 - Free to Learn
Peter Gray
 - Trust Kids!
Carla Bergman
 - Unconditional Parenting
Alicia Kohn
 - NO! Against Adult Supremacy
a collection of essays
 - Untigering
Iris Chen
 - Everywhere All The Time
Matt Hern
 - Changing Our Minds
Naomi Fisher

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of
Self-Directed Education
SOCIAL EXPECTATION (AND REALITY)
THAT EDUCATION IS CHILDREN'S
RESPONSIBILITY

UNLIMITED TIME TO PLAY, EXPLORE,
AND PURSUE ONE'S OWN INTERESTS
OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY WITH THE
TOOLS OF THE CULTURE

FREE AGE MIXING AMONG PEOPLE OF
ALL AGES
IMMERSION IN A STABLE, SUPPORTIVE,
RESPECTFUL COMMUNITY
ACCESS TO A VARIETY OF ADULTS
COMMITTED TO
YOUNG PEOPLE'S RIGHTS



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optimizing conditions on our website

a deschooling
bookmark!

getting
started?
here are
some of
our
favorite
reads!

WHO ARE WE?

ASDE is a global
organization dedicated to
increasing awareness and
access to Self-Directed
Education; a way of living
and learning, where young
people's human rights are
respected and upheld. This
includes the freedom to
direct their lives and
education.

WHAT IS SDE?

*Education that derives from the self-chosen
activities and life experiences
of the learner.*

Self-Directed Education refers to the educational
approach of young people and those supporting them
as they take charge of their education. Maybe their
families have enrolled them in schools that support
young people's pursuits of their own interests and do
not impose a curriculum. Maybe they homeschool by
the method commonly called *unschooling*, where the
children pursue their own interests rather than an
imposed curriculum. "SDE" is diverse and expansive. It
exists as an older alternative to conventional
schooling, outside of relationship to schooling, and
sometimes even is a refuge practice for young people
who feel stuck in conventional schools.