Environmental education for sustainability – insights from research

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Environmental education is a pedagogical approach that aims to instill in students an understanding of the environmental issues that affect the planet and its inhabitants. This education is necessary in today’s world due to the environmental challenges that we face, which are related to problems such as climate change, pollution, and resource depletion. These challenges affect the quality of life, the health of individuals, and the stability of ecosystems. As such, it is crucial to educate our children about the environment in order to prepare them to be environmentally conscious citizens. Environmental education is based on the idea that people need to be equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to make informed decisions that will benefit the environment and society as a whole. This education involves not only teaching students about environmental issues but also involving them in practical activities that will help them understand the concepts and see the real-world implications of their actions. The course will focus on environmental education as a pedagogical approach, taking into account both theoretical and practical aspects. It will tackle the fundamental concepts and principles that underpin environmental education, as well as its goals and principles in practice. The course will also explore different approaches to environmental education and their implications for curriculum development. The course will provide students with the tools they need to address the challenges facing our environment and society, and to contribute to a sustainable future.


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