

# Strengthening the Value Significance and Practice Path of Kindergarten Labor Education in the New Era

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**Abstract:** Under the background of the new era, the problem of strengthening kindergarten labor education is gradually prominent. The purpose of this study is to explore the value significance and practice path of strengthening kindergarten labor education in the new era. The research methods include literature research, case analysis and investigation. The research found that strengthening labor education can cultivate children's good moral character and living habits, further enhance children's innovative spirit and practical ability, and lay a foundation for children's all-round development. At the same time, through the sharing of practical experience of kindergarten labor education, a series of practical paths such as taking children's life experience as educational content, integrating collection and practical activities, and carrying out labor education in the way of games are put forward. These practical paths have achieved remarkable results in practical application. In general, strengthening the kindergarten labor education is a very valuable task, we need to explore and strengthen in practice. This study is expected to provide useful reference and enlightenment for the practice of kindergarten labor education.

**Keywords:** new era, kindergarten labor education, value significance, practice path

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## Introduction

The current society has entered a new era of rapid development, along with the rapid evolution of science and technology, people's needs for education are constantly changing. The general early childhood education is not only limited to the teaching of basic knowledge, but also occupies a dominant position in the cultivation of personality and character. In such a background, how to strengthen the kindergarten labor education, in order to cultivate children's comprehensive quality, has become a topic worthy of deep thought. The importance of labor education in children's education is gradually reflected, because it can cultivate good moral character and living habits in children's early education. On the other hand, strengthening labor education in kindergartens can further enhance children's innovative spirit and practical ability. However, how to explore and implement effective labor education methods in educational practice is an important and urgent task. This paper is aimed at strengthening the value of kindergarten labor education in the new era and the practical path of in-depth research and discussion, hoping to provide some new thinking and inspiration for the majority of educators and researchers.

### 1. The background of the new era and the problem of kindergarten labor education

## **1.1 Features and highlights in the new era**

With the rapid development of China's social economy, new features and highlights continue to emerge after entering the new era.<sup>[1]</sup> The new era is characterized by scientific and technological innovation, digitization and information development, and puts higher requirements on people's labor skills and innovation ability. The new era attaches importance to all-round development and quality education, and requires the cultivation of talents with innovative spirit and practical ability.<sup>[2]</sup> The new era emphasizes the inheritance and promotion of core socialist values and calls for the cultivation of citizens with high moral character.

## **1.2 The importance of kindergarten labor education in the new era**

Kindergarten labor education is of great significance in the new era. The kindergarten stage is an important stage of children's physical and mental development, and cultivating good labor attitudes and values is crucial to their all-round development. Kindergarten labor education helps to cultivate children's self-care ability, social adaptability and practical ability, laying the foundation for their future study and life. Kindergarten labor education also helps to cultivate children's sense of cooperation, responsibility and innovative spirit.

## **1.3 Existing problems in kindergarten labor education**

At present, there are still some problems in kindergarten labor education.<sup>[3]</sup> Some kindergartens do not pay enough attention to labor education, which has become an additional content in the teaching plan. Some kindergartens lack a professional team of teachers to effectively guide children's labor practice. Kindergarten labor education activities have a single form, lack of innovation and diversity.

Under the background of the new era, the problem of kindergarten labor education has become increasingly prominent, and relevant strategies and measures need to be taken to solve it. The following will discuss the value significance and practice path of strengthening kindergarten labor education.

## **2. Strengthening the value significance of kindergarten labor education**

### **2.1 Labor education is of great value to the formation of children's character**

Kindergarten is an important place for children to contact the society. Through participation in labor education, children can cultivate good character traits and moral values. Labor education cultivates children's labor consciousness and labor habits<sup>[4]</sup>. In the work, children can appreciate the hard work and the value of paying, and cultivate their conscious labor consciousness. Through regular work, children can develop good working habits and improve their self-discipline and sense of responsibility. Labor education cultivates children's sense of cooperation and team spirit. In collective labor, children need to cooperate with others to complete tasks, and through cooperating with others to solve problems together, children's sense of cooperation and team spirit are cultivated. Labor education can also cultivate children's courage and tenacity, in the face of difficulties and challenges, they can gain self-confidence through labor, and persevere to complete the task. Labor education has a positive impact on the cultivation of children's character traits, which can make children form a positive, brave and tough character<sup>[5]</sup>.

### **2.2 The impact of labor education on children's innovative spirit and practical ability**

Labor education is of great value to the cultivation of children's innovative spirit and practical ability. Children are the training stage of innovative thinking and practical ability, labor education can provide them with rich practical experience and innovative thinking exercise. Labor education promotes the development of children's innovative thinking. In labor, children need to solve various problems and cultivate the flexibility and innovation of thinking. Through labor practice, children can cultivate their ability to observe problems, analyze problems and solve problems, thus cultivating their innovative thinking. Labor education cultivates children's practical ability. In labor, children need to use practical operations to practice and cultivate their hands-on ability and practical ability. Through practice, children can experience the fun and sense of achievement of practice, enhance their interest in practice and cultivate their practical ability. Labor

education is of great value to cultivate children's innovative spirit and practical ability, and can provide a solid foundation for children's all-round development.<sup>[6][7]</sup>

### **2.3 The role of labor education in the all-round development of children**

Labor education plays an important role in the all-round development of children. Early childhood is a key period in the development of life, and labor education can promote the all-round development of children in cognition, emotion, social and other aspects. In terms of cognition, labor education can help children understand and know things, and cultivate their observation, analysis and judgment ability. Through labor practice, children can not only understand the shape and characteristics of things, but also understand the development law and change process of things, and promote their cognitive development. In terms of emotion, labor education can cultivate children's emotional experience and emotional expression ability. Through labor practice, children can feel the joy and sense of accomplishment of labor, enhance their emotional investment in labor, and cultivate their emotional expression ability. In terms of social interaction, labor education can promote children's cooperation and communication with others. In collective labor, children need to cooperate with others to complete tasks together, cultivate their communication and cooperation ability, and enhance their social ability. Labor education plays an important role in the all-round development of children, which can promote the healthy development of children in various aspects such as cognition, emotion and sociability.<sup>[8]</sup>

The above is to strengthen the value of kindergarten labor education content. Through labor education, we can cultivate children's character traits and moral values, promote the development of their innovative spirit and practical ability, and promote the all-round development of children. The value significance of labor education can not be ignored, and it is of great significance for the growth and development of children. Strengthening the kindergarten labor education is an important task in the current education work.

## **3. Strengthening the practice path of kindergarten labor education in the new era**

### **3.1 Taking children's life experience as the content of education**

Young children's life experiences are the basis for their learning and growth. When designing the content of labor education, children's individual differences should be respected and their living environment and daily life experience should be fully considered. The curriculum content can include content on environmental protection around the kindergarten, food sources, daily cleaning, public safety and other aspects. Such content can not only meet the needs of young children's life, but also cultivate their practical operation ability and environmental awareness<sup>[9]</sup>.

### **3.2 Labor education integrating collection and practical activities**

Under the background of the new era, it is particularly important to discuss the integration of collection and practice activities into kindergarten labor education. The key to this potential practice path is to understand the new connotation of "labor", especially in the integration with life experience, cognitive ability, innovative spirit and other multidimensional aspects.

In the new era, labor education is no longer limited to the traditional concept, that is, simple physical labor, but has been given a richer meaning. On the one hand, labor is regarded as a means to develop people's all-round abilities, including their innovation ability, practical ability and cognitive ability, as well as their social communication ability and emotional expression ability. On the other hand, labor is also seen as an important link in cultivating children's respect for the achievements of others' labor and understanding of the operating mechanism of social life.

How to integrate collection and practical activities into labor education? Through collecting activities, children can develop respect for the fruits of labor and appreciation for the fruits of work. For artistic fruits of labor, such as handicrafts, creative works, and items that take time and effort of young people, can be used as objects of collection activities. Collecting activities can also let children really understand that you can get beautiful results by putting in effort and time<sup>[5]</sup>. This is of great benefit to them in forming a positive view of work and dedication.

Practical activities are another important aspect of integrating labor education. Specific practical activities, such as

planting, cooking, handmade, etc., allow children to experience the joy and challenge of the labor process, as well as the joy of the results in the later period. In practice, children can truly realize that only through their own labor, can they obtain material results. This way of practical activities can undoubtedly guide children's labor concept and outlook on life positively.<sup>[10]</sup>

In general, through the integration of collection and practical activities, children are endowed with richer labor experience, so that they can gain insight into life, respect others, love labor, and form a positive attitude toward life. This way of integrating labor education will help cultivate children who are more innovative, have strong practical ability and have a deep understanding of life.

### **3.3 Carrying out labor education in the form of play**

Children like to play and play, can organically combine labor education and play, create a variety of suitable for children to participate in the form of play. For example, a game that simulates a farm can be designed, with young children playing the role of farmers in activities such as planting, fertilizing and harvesting. Through the game, young children can experience the fun and meaning of labor, and cultivate their hands-on ability and collaborative spirit.

In the process of implementing labor education, we also need to pay attention to the following aspects.

Teachers should be the guides and models of labor education for children. They should have rich labor knowledge and practical experience, can inspire children's thinking and interest, and guide them to carry out labor activities correctly.

Teachers should also reasonably arrange the content and form of labor education according to the age and developmental characteristics of children. Children's labor ability and interest will change with age, and teachers need to provide suitable labor tasks and activities according to different stages and individual needs.

The participation of parents and society is also a key factor in strengthening labor education in kindergartens. Parents can participate in labor activities with their children so that children can continue to experience and practice the fun of labor in the family. Social resources and support can also provide more opportunities and resources for children's labor education.

It is of great value to strengthen kindergarten labor education in the new era. By taking children's life experience as the educational content, integrating collection and practical activities, and carrying out labor education in the way of games and other practical paths, it can effectively improve children's character formation, innovative spirit and practical ability, and promote their all-round development. In the process of implementing labor education, the active participation of teachers, parents and the society is essential. Through joint efforts, children can be provided with a better labor education environment and opportunities to train them to become future citizens with a sense of social responsibility, practical ability and innovative spirit.

## **4. Concluding remarks**

This study discusses the importance of labor education in kindergartens. The study found that Dongzao education can help children form good moral character and habits, and can also exercise their innovation and practical ability. We also put forward some practical methods, such as, let the children learn in life, through collection and practice activities, labor education in the way of play. Although these methods have achieved some results, we still need to further study and develop them in practice. We hope that in the future, more people will participate in this important research topic and contribute to the development of kindergarten labor education.

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