

**'SOKA EDUCATION': EMPHASIZING THE CRUCIAL ROLE OF HUMANISM
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Education for peace and happiness characterizes SGI President Ikeda's essays and proposals collected in a new book, *Soka Education: A Buddhist Vision for Teachers, Students and Parents*. Just released, *Soka Education* contains a timely message in the aftermath of the recent terrorist attacks: Education's most crucial role is in developing people of character who act as global citizens for the welfare of all humanity.

"[Daisaku Ikeda] demonstrates by example how the seeds of holistic and humanistic education can be nurtured, and how the flowers of peace, culture and global citizenship can be cultivated," says Larry A. Hickman, director of the Center for Dewey Studies.

Soka Education contains works spanning three decades, including a brand new essay titled "John Dewey and Tsunesaburo Makiguchi: Confluences of Thought and Action," which highlights these great educators' ideas most relevant today.

President Ikeda's writings are a "source of great wisdom that challenges people throughout the world to examine the values that form the foundation of their actions," writes Victor Kazanjian of Wellesley College in his foreword to the volume.

With peace and the state of education on the minds of everyone today, *Soka Education* provides inspiration in the search for deeper answers.

Soka Education (hardcover; \$29.95) is available at your favorite neighborhood and on-line bookseller, or from our Web site: www.middlewaypress.org.