



While balanced in her views about change, Burroughs concentrated heavily on Blacks recognizing their full potential and accomplishing things under their control. Given her orientation on the children, her 1928 writing has been rephrased to be consistent with Proverbs Chapter 22, Verse 6: “Teach your children the right path, and when they are older, they will remain upon it.”

- 1. We Should Teach Our Children to Put First Things First. The First Things are Good Character and Education.**
- 2. We Should Teach Our Children to not Expect Things to be Given to Them; To Understand the Value of Work and Taking Personal Responsibility and Accountability for Things They can do for Themselves.**
- 3. We Should Teach Our Children to Keep Themselves and Their Surroundings Clean and Attractive.**
- 4. We Should Teach Our Children to Dress Appropriately for Work, Leisure and Church.**
- 5. We Should Teach Our Children to Make Their Religious Practices an Everyday Practice and not Just for Sunday.**
- 6. We Should Teach Our Children the Elements of Good Citizenship, i.e., Helping Those Less Fortunate and Those Who Can't Help Themselves.**
- 7. We Should Teach Our Children to not Blame Others for Their Failures, i.e., Charging Them up to Their “Color” and White Peoples’ Privileges and Attitudes.**
- 8. We Should Teach Our Children to Avoid Taking on Bad Habits, e.g., Tardiness and Absenteeism, Loafing, Loud Talking, Carelessness, etc. Just Plain Bad Habits.**
- 9. We Should Teach Our Children to Respect Others, Regardless of Race and Color, by Conducting Themselves Properly and Respectfully in Public Places.**
- 10. We Should Teach Our Children to Freely Associate With Anyone who Respects Them – Not Just Others of Their Race.**
- 11. We Should Teach Our Children to Understand the Value and Importance of HUMILITY, Because it Leads to the Highest of Distinction, Self-Improvement.**
- 12. We Should Teach Our Children to Always Remember Their Friends.**

