

Females' education in Afghanistan

THE TALIBAN

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The Taliban is a fundamentalist Muslim movement whose militia took control of most of Afghanistan and some parts of the middle eastern countries.



BEGINNING

Since August 2021, secondary school girls from grade 6 and up have unfortunately been banned from any sort of education. While the Taliban claims the restrictions are temporary, they said they want to create the right Islamic environment for girls to learn, Afghanistan remains the world's only country where girls are banned from education.

BACK TO SCHOOL

On March 23rd of 2022, the Taliban decided to allow some girls secondary schools to open. However, soon after the girls had gone back to school the Taliban quickly reversed their idea.

REVERSED IDEA

On the 7th of May, the Taliban demanded that all women's faces should be covered in public. The Taliban also confirmed that women are not allowed to travel long distances alone, work outside healthcare or education, and receive a secondary education.



MALALA YOUSAFZAI

Malala Yousafzai is a women education activist; who grew up in Pakistan. She believes that females have a right to an education globally. When Malala was 11, she wrote a diary entry about what life was like under the rule of the extremely powerful group, the Taliban, in north-west Pakistan.

In the diary, she talked about how she wanted to stay in education and about how girls should be able to go to school. Lots of people read the diary all over the world and she became well-known.

Many people agreed with her right to an education but the Taliban were cross with the idea that the world was reading this diary. The Taliban were appalled by what Malala had written in her diary and on October 2012, Malala was shot by their soldiers. Fortunately, Malala survived and is still speaking for women's education rights.