

100 days initiatives of the Minister of education Vasilyeva

In late August, Minister of education and science of Russia unexpectedly appointed the Deputy head of the presidential administration on public projects Olga Vasilyeva, which was succeeded by Dmitry Livanov. The newly minted Minister started out by cleaning your device with the desire to reform the exam system, requests to parents to protect children from the Internet and for a hundred days of its work, managed to give a lot of promises, which caused a very different reaction.

We have gathered for you all proposals for Vasilyeva four months in chronological order.

Don't be afraid of controversial areas in the school curriculum

- **August 21 — make "difficult questions" in the history books "beyond"**

Olga Vasilyeva said that in the new Russian history textbooks "tough questions" taken out of the frame, and it will be given special explanations.

"As for the history textbook the main discussion behind. Because the cultural standard is written, it made three series of textbooks, which our students will have now, in September of 2016", the Minister said.

- **August 24 — instead of "cramming for the exam" to develop the personality**

Source: ria.ru

Speaking at the Public chamber Vasilyev said that "coaching for the exam" schools should be replaced with the upbringing of civic consciousness of students.

"I will do everything possible to ensure that overtime is the time we should spend with children, which should be focused on their education and development as a person — was precisely that, not the coaching on the exam", — explained the head of the Ministry of education.

- **August 30 — enter the rhythm instead of sports**

The Minister of education at the national PTA meeting told me that she complained a large number of physical education lessons. Vasilyev suggested that "to be creative" and to introduce in schools the classroom rhythm, which combine elements of sport and music.

"Maybe it will be some PA if you want. A good move is a posture, a healthy spine, movement to music is healthy", the Minister explained.

- **September 13 — to reduce the number of lines in textbooks in primary school**

The Manifesto of a new education system: from the enlightenment to education

According to Vasilyeva, in elementary school, "four books".

"That's impossible, because in this vast sea of books, there are two or three lines that are worthy, not more", the Minister stressed.

In her opinion, you must have a few basic lines of primary school textbooks, they should be the same for the whole country, and in addition to these, teachers will be able to choose in-depth program

- **13 September — to teach children with disabilities in regular schools**

Vasilyev believes that children with disabilities should learn in ordinary schools, while teachers should explain to parents that you should not be afraid of joint training of their child and the child with disabilities.

"We must not forget that these children are citizens of our country, are people like you and me. We can't even have a question to ask yourself is how to protect their children from children with disabilities"—said the head of the Ministry of education.

- **September 13 — to reduce the amount of paperwork teachers**

Olga Vasilyeva at the national Congress of school teachers in the Chuvash Republic promised that the school teachers will be only three papers in which they will be required to fill in — class journal, diaries and curriculum

"The program, e-magazine and the third is the diary page, which is automatically included in the e-zine. All. All instructions will be given. More no you anything to make can't execute", the Minister concluded.

- **September 21 — to return to school astronomy at the expense of a second foreign language**

A lesson in astronomy at the Moscow Lyceum

Source: rbc.ru

Olga Vasilyeva believes that astronomy, which was excluded from the compulsory school curriculum in 1991, needs to return to school.

"Before, in schools this item was an hour a week. There is no doubt about that this hour must return. Don't know how it will be, but what will happen for sure, 100 percent", — said the head of the Ministry of education.

Later the Minister said that the hours can be taken from a component of a second foreign language, which spent 250 hours of study. So you can "safely take away" for an hour at 10 and 11 class in favor of astronomy.

- **September 26 — back to school cleaning**

Work is not to push buttons

Olga Vasilyeva at the meeting of the Federation Council Committee for science, education and culture offered to return to school work in the garden and cleaning the school premises with students.

"We should return to the rural brigades that we had in rural schools, we need to return to work on private land, which has always been, we must return to cleaning the school, [math homework for 2nd grade](#) which does not border with the threat of life and health of the schoolboy", — said the Minister.

- **From 27 September to enter the oral part of the exam on the Russian language**

The oral part of the exam on the Russian language may be introduced in the next academic year, if the test in ninth grade will be a success, said Minister of education and science at a national meeting of regional Ministers.

"We're going to test the oral part of the Russian language in the 9th grade. If all goes as we expect on the 9-th class, then next year will be the oral part of the exam in Russian language", explained Vasiliev.

- **September 27 — back to the average score for the subject**

The head of the Ministry calls for the return as the assessment of learning the student program GPA on the subject. In her opinion, such proposal must be reviewed and, despite the possible complexity, implemented.

"I have an idea, and I think it needs to be discussed and considered, to return as it once was to estimate the average score for each subject. It will be difficult because we are unaccustomed to it", the Minister said.

- **October 1 — to create a system of evaluation of the Humanities in higher education**

Source: ria.ru

"Our Humanities can never be published in foreign scientific journals, by definition, because there your view of the world is useless. So I say that we need to create a system of evaluation, which primarily will focus on the Humanities", — said Vasilyev.

According to the Minister, without the introduction of this measure is difficult to assess the work of dissertation councils, academic institutions and higher education overall.

- **October 3 — the return of writing entrance exams**

The Minister of education and science on the participants in the final test of the contest "teacher of the year" stated that he believes need to return the written examinations for admission to institutions of higher education.

"You need to think and to make amendments that universities, especially universities are very challenging, socially important, must have incoming written examinations. It could not be. I am deeply convinced that the medical universities, engineering universities — all universities, without exception, must take a written exam", the Minister explained, stressing that you need to pass the relevant subject.

- **October 13 — the return of the newsreel "I Want to know everything"**

If something where to change, to change in school

Vasiliev at the first all-Russian Congress of youth media "#Postcongress" said that the Ministry of education is considering return of popular science magazine for children "I Want to know everything".

"We can bring him back. Look at the rating of the channel "Science", "My planet". It is clear that they do not raise dividends, but they have different responsibilities. Without this it is impossible to move", — said Olga Vasilyeva.

"I want to know everything" — Soviet popular-science magazine for children, which in the accessible form told about science and the world around.

- **October 26 — highlight Orientalism in a separate group of specialties**

The Ministry of education decided about the development of Oriental studies as a separate field, thus responding to the protest of University rectors, who had expected the collapse direction due to the fact that the discipline was included in the group "Political science and area studies".

"I appreciate everything that was done by the Ministry of education before my arrival, but they cannot destroy with his own hands what was Russian and world culture. Therefore, in this sense, should be closed, politically this issue has been resolved", — explained the Minister.

- **November 3 — review the list of textbooks on geography**

Source: ntv.ru

"Another important issue that affects the conception of geography teaching, the need for revision of school manuals and textbooks. The fact that the revision of textbooks for the Russian schools, including in geography, there is, because in the Federal list of textbooks, a great many", — told Vasiliev-Russian Congress of geography teachers.

- **November 3 — to introduce a mandatory exam for geography**

Vasilyev supported the initiative to do the exam in geography required, but pointed to the need to develop the educational component of this subject.

- **November 21 — enter in school free clubs on five educational areas**

"Sure to be enjoyed by music clubs, sports clubs, theatrical, technical and chess, for the development of intelligence", — says the Minister of education and science.

These five areas should be in every school, and it requires very little cost.

- **November 23 — to allow school psychologists to help children without parental consent**

Why all teachers should go catch pokemon

Vasiliev proposed to amend the education law, allowing school psychologists to provide assistance without obtaining consent from the parents.

"There is a problem that, in my opinion, can be solved, and that must be addressed as quickly as possible. As legislative restriction is that a psychologist can't provide assistance without the consent of their parents. Even if the school has a psychologist, he will not be able to provide assistance without the written consent of parents is article 42, third paragraph of the education act. I believe that it requires urgent amendment. If problems occur in dysfunctional families, the child doesn't get help ever", — told the Minister.

She noted that psychologists are in demand in educational institutions in connection with the problems faced by modern Teens and recalled the incident in Pskov, where teenagers fired at police officers and then killed himself, the children were broadcast on the Internet.

- **24 November — return to school career guidance**

Olga Vasilyeva believes that the current graduates do not always have a clear understanding of their professional future.

"I am deeply convinced that we need to return to the school orientation to the profession, necessary. I would like to draw attention to the challenge of improving yesterday's schoolchildren and future students of motivation in the definition of a profession", the Minister stressed.