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In martial arts, you practice white belt skills as long as necessary, and only when you've mastered them do you advance to becoming a yellow belt. Why should learning math or other academic subjects be any different?

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