

Illegal Immigration By Farah Atieh, Grade 5

Is it right to catch an unknown disease and risk losing money due to individuals who have broken the law? An illegal immigrant breaks the laws as they come to a country with no identification or status showing who they are. Illegal immigrants should not be granted the right to stay because they might bring incurable diseases, it adds too much pressure on the economy as there are too many people to care for, and it is not fair to other legal immigrants who had to pay and go through a long immigration process.

Firstly, if an illegal immigrant came to Canada with a disease with no cure, it can quickly spread and sometimes it can be deadly. When people come to a country legally such as Canada or the U.S., part of the process involves testing those people for different diseases and making sure that they do not have a contagious disease before moving here. When people come illegally, there is no way to know what contagious disease they may carry, so there is a chance that they bring that disease with them and infect others.

Moreover, because of the large number of illegal immigrants, there are too many people that the government has to be responsible for and for the economy to support. Although a lot of people debate that immigration reinforces the economy, illegal immigration does the opposite because the illegal immigrants do not pay their fair share of taxes since they are undocumented. The United States is losing from 54 to 200 billion dollars a year because they are providing them with a lot of services that cost the government money (Timm 2018). By using tax-payers' money to pay for services for undocumented immigrants, it is causing its economy to weaken. We need money to pay for things and to make the situation of the country better.

In conclusion, illegal immigrants should be deported because they may bring diseases that might not be cured and it is not fair at all to the legal immigrants who had to pay to come to a country legally. Also, the government has to take into account providing services even for those who have broken the law. Therefore, illegal immigrants do not deserve to be granted legal status and they should be returned to their own country.