Prompt:

1. Virginia has decided to crack down on child labor, including the previously tolerated practice of parents and neighbors paying children for chores, odd jobs, and babysitting. The Virginia legislature determined that **all** child labor distracts from education, leading to a less able workforce, increased drug use, and burgeoning prisons. Virginia's new law, the Child Education Enhancement Act, positively forbids all child labor.

The Wilson family believes that work is part of education due to the tasks learned while working and because of the money management skills that it facilitates. They also argue that working enhances family closeness through teambuilding. After paying their children (ages 8, 10, & 12) $25 each a week for various chores (no child worked more than five hours) and permitting the eldest to babysit for the neighbors at the rate of $8 an hour for two hours a week, the Wilsons are arrested and convicted. On appeal, the Wilsons challenge Virginia's child labor laws.

You are the justice selected to write the majority opinion for the United States Supreme Court and must determine whether Virginia's Child Education Enhancement Act violates the Constitution.

1. Support your answer **with direct quotes** with citations to specific pages from the cases.
2. Start with your thesis (A.K.A., the answer to the prompt question).
3. It is often wise to start with a simple, one-sentence version of your thesis. The following sentences can elaborate, qualify, and/or explain how you will prove the thesis. Together, these sentences usually make an excellent thesis paragraph.

Must Use this cases:

* ***Meyer v. Nebraska***
* ***Pierce v. Society of Sisters***
* ***Roe v. Wade***