

## 2. LEARNING OUTSIDE THE FOUR CORNERS OF HOME

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Education plays a huge role in shaping one's intellectual ability for us to be globally competitive. But an outbreak happened in 2020 Covid, that scared the world. Lockdown, quarantine and more ways to stop the spreading of the virus had been implemented. People stayed at home, and online classes as well as modular distance learning were born.

As of the moment the online classes and modular distance learning are still in progress as an augmentation to the educational needs of the students. Back in 2020, more than 8.8 million parents chose the modular distance learning to stay away from getting the virus and to continue the learning process. However, not everyone has been blessed to have a comfortable life and deprive of having gadgets that should be a gateway to learning amidst pandemic.

People have different coping mechanism and all of us have different opinion. Everyone has their own participation in Distance Learning. The problem is that everyone learns differently, and has their own ways of clarifying details. The fact that the teacher is speaking to you face to face is very advantageous to some of the student.

On the other hand, modular distance learning has also an important part in shaping learners' mind even amidst pandemic. Through staying at the comfort of their home they may employ peer tutoring among their siblings, or even independent learning.

Unfortunately, not all learners who are enrolled in modular distance learning are benefitting from it. Some of them are just forced to indulge in such learning modality because they lack of gadgets and internet connection.

Everything has its pros and cons and we should always look at the brighter side of the situations no matter how worst it is.

Right now alert level 1 of the restrictions has been implementing across the country. As a result, schools are offering limited face to face in some areas that has a low level of Covid-19 cases.

Following health care protocols are very essential at this point in order not to spread the virus that may cause danger to everybody.

Through the strict implementation and following the protocols, hopefully everything will be back to normal when students can learn while enjoying, making friends at school and experience many things outside the four walls of room. Nelson Mandela even said "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world".

In addition, students lock of physical activity or sports offers by school and depriving their interpersonal skills, not able to connect and developed with others as a result they become physical obese, lack of mental activity by not properly stimulating their brains, they are just playing games, watching tv, eating, and copying answers at the back of their modules. What will happen to our society they become leaders at their generations. When our forefathers turn grade 8 they become volunteer teacher at their time. They cannot pass the next grade when there are not able to read and write or compose a sentence on their own. "The youth is the hope of our future- Jose Rizal" Is this generation is our truly hope?

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